



Whether your students think they are an author or a poet, challenge them to enter the **Creative Writing Contest**. Encourage your students to use their imagination to generate words and get them on paper. Students in grades 3-12 can submit their entries for a chance to win a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place award. Choose a category Fiction, Non-fiction or Poetry or chose more than one category to enter in. This can be the perfect classroom project or students can enter on their own. The submission deadline is January 17, 2020. Students can get started right now creating their incredible stories. For specific detail go to [www.swwc.org/cw](http://www.swwc.org/cw).

Guest speaker, **Terri Michels**, is an author and photographer who has published more than 60 children's books; as well as 100 magazine articles and several photos in national publications. Terri encourages students to follow their dreams and be the best they can be.



## Who is Excited about Science?

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Do you have students who are intrigued by technology, love to invent, build things, are adventurous, fascinated by how things were created or are just curious about science and nature? Here is your chance to get students excited about science. Join us, on May 13, at this one of a kind **Science & Nature Conference**. A one-day event filled with fun, excitement and learning. Students will want to come back for more.

Students, in grades K-8 will explore science related topics during three hands-on learning sessions. Mike Lynch, meteorologist, will take you to the stars with his passion for astronomy. More information will be available on the website after the New Year. Please check [www.swwc.org/sn](http://www.swwc.org/sn) for details about this conference.

