

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)



Junior Reporter is a sweepstakes sponsored by WTOP and Huntington Learning Center, giving students of public, private and charter schools in the Washington area the opportunity to try their hand at journalism for the chance to win cash and prizes. **Students win \$1,000 – their school wins \$1,000 and the winners will be featured on WTOP and WTOP.com!**

*The winners will be unveiled November 13–17, 2019.*

## Why should my school get involved and how can we participate?

Aside from the prizes, Junior Reporter gives students, parents, and schools an **opportunity to explore their creativity and gain exposure. There will be three winners, one in each category.**

**Voting for finalists will be open to the public November 2 – November 10, 2019 ONLY. Participate by voting for your favorite entry or your school's finalist at [www.WTOP.com](http://www.WTOP.com) search "Junior Reporter."**

## How do I participate?

**Parents/legal guardians must submit entries for their kids between September 30 – October 20, 2019.** Entries will go through an initial judging period and selected entries will move forward into the Public Voting Round. (Entrants must meet all criteria and eligibility. Those moving forward will receive email confirmation.)

**Public voting takes place November 2–November 10, 2019.** A panel of judges will review the finalists from the public voting round and select three winners (one in each category). **Anyone over the age of 13 can vote. One vote per person/day.**

## What schools are eligible to participate?

**Washington D.C. Public, Private, and Charter Schools grades K–12 in the following areas:**

**Maryland:** Anne Arundel County, Calvert County, Charles County, Frederick County, Howard County, Montgomery County, Prince George's County, and St. Mary's County.

**Virginia:** Arlington County, Culpeper County, Fairfax County, Fauquier County, Loudoun County, Prince William County, Stafford County, Spotsylvania County, City of Alexandria, City of Fairfax, City of Falls Church, City of Manassas, and City of Manassas Park.

**\*Day care centers are not eligible to participate.**

## What are the categories and prizes?

**Grades K–5 Winner:**  
\$1,000 to student, \$1,000 to school.

**Grades 6–8 Winner:**  
\$1,000 to student, \$1,000 to school.

**Grades 9–12 Winner:**  
\$1,000 to student, \$1,000 to school.

## What's the fine print?

Official sweepstakes rules are available at [www.WTOP.com](http://www.WTOP.com), search "**Junior Reporter**"

## What if I have additional questions?

Participants can email [junior@wtop.com](mailto:junior@wtop.com)

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