

Spring Branch Independent School District

Agenda Item Information

Date of Board Meeting: October 26, 2026

Subject: Recognition of Students honored in the 2026 "I am America" iWRITE contest

Administrator Responsible:

Name: Linda Buchman

Position: Associate Superintendent for Communications and Community Engagement

Purpose of Agenda Item: Special Presentation

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND/OR BACK-UP:

SBISD is pleased to recognize students whose works are being published as winners of the 2026 iWRITE Annual Publishing Contest. The Houston-based non-profit iWRITE Literacy Organization selected an incredible group of 150 young authors and illustrators from grades 3–12 for their brilliant historical fiction, short stories, poetry, and artwork in the 17th Volume Anthology, I Write Short Stories by Kids for Kids! We are so proud of these SBAI students selected among this elite group of writers.

iWrite published authors for short stories:

Shaun Cooper

Kevin He

Josephine Honner

Graham Martin

Neer Patel

Sawyer Stephens

Lyla Sterbanz

Katherine Turilli

Luke Wolfe

Lyana Yu

Michael Zhang

iWrite Top Poets 2026:

Kathryn Fargason

Rhea Roy

iWrite published poetry winners:

Aria Allen

Anika Roy