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# Poetry Slam! 2015



**WHAT:** DC SCORES 18th Annual Poetry Slam!

**WHEN:** Wednesday, December 2, 5-8 PM  
& Thursday, December 3, 5-8 PM

**WHERE: Wednesday:** Columbia Heights Education Campus  
3101 16th St. NW, Washington, DC 20010  
*Participating schools from Wards 1, 2, 4, and 5*



**Thursday: H.D. Woodson Senior High School**  
540 55th Street, NE, Washington, DC 20019 (Metro: Benning Road)  
*Participating schools from Wards 5, 6, 7 and 8*

The DC SCORES Poetry Slam! funnels the energy and creativity of youth into self-expression as a means of improving their literacy rates and raising their self-esteem. The students, ages 8-15, represent seven of the District's eight wards.



On consecutive nights, 1,500 District of Columbia public and public charter elementary and middle school students will take the stage during the 18th annual citywide **DC SCORES Poetry Slam!** competition to vie for the Golden Mic trophy. The Slam showcases **original works of poetry written and performed by students** from DC SCORES' after-school program. The Poetry Slam!, the largest youth slam in the District, is a **FREE**, two-night event and is open to the public.



## About DC SCORES

DC SCORES has a team-based approach for providing youth with the arts, athletics, and academics that will engage and enrich their lives. DC SCORES builds teams through after-school programs for 1,500 low-income DC youth at 44 schools by instilling self-expression, physical fitness, and a sense of community. DC SCORES accomplishes this in an innovative model combining poetry and spoken word, soccer, and service-learning year-round. We have worked with over 8,000 students since our founding in 1994 and we aim to serve EVERY child in the District deserving of a team who does not have one.



DC SCORES is an affiliate and flagship of America SCORES, the nation's largest inner-city soccer and literacy program with programs in 14 cities. For more information, please visit [www.DCSCORES.org](http://www.DCSCORES.org)