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Everett students honored in 21st literary contest *Escribo en Español*
'It makes me smile, it makes me laugh, it makes me happy'



Luzel Carmona
Everett High School



Fernando Gonzalez
Everett High School



Juliana Mothersbaugh
Jackson High School

Everett High School students, Luzel Carmona and Fernando Gonzales, along with Jackson High School student, Juliana Mothersbaugh, were recently recognized for winning awards at *Escribo en Español*, a Spanish literary contest held at the University of Washington.

There were 500 Washington state students from 31 different schools who wrote essays or poems in Spanish with the theme, "It makes me smile, it makes me laugh, it makes me happy." The three Everett Public Schools students will be recognized at an award ceremony on May 18 at the university:

- Luzel Carmona, 10th-grade Everett High AP Spanish Literature student, earned first place in the [Prose for Native Spanish Speakers](#) division
- Fernando Gonzalez, 11th-grade Everett High AP Spanish Language student, earned third place in the [Poetry for Native Spanish Speakers](#) division
- Juliana Mothersbaugh, 11th-grade Jackson High AP Spanish Language student, earned third place in the [Prose for Speakers of Other Languages](#) division

"I'm so proud of our students," shared Margarita Hurtado, world language teacher at Everett High School. "This is a big accomplishment!"

"I do appreciate Juliana's effort and commitment to work extra and I acknowledge her for that," added Ivette Thompson, world language teacher at Jackson High School.

The contest is sponsored by the [Center for Spanish Studies - Seattle](#), [Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction](#), the [University of Washington](#) and the [Education Office of Spain - USA](#).

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