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Three Birchwood School Students Published in National Magazine

Three Birchwood School students' stories were published in the January edition of *Cricket Magazine*, a national literary publication for readers aged 9 to 14. Abigail M, age 10 of Cleveland, Emma P, age 8 of Bay Village, and Olivia S, age 10 of Westlake, received first place, second place, and honorable mention respectively. Students were asked to develop a short story about a horse. These girls join a long list of Birchwood School students who have earned the honor of having their work published by this national magazine for children. Last year the school turned out 4 top-three finishers, and 6 Honorable Mentions.

When asked about the importance of these awards Karen Kufahl, the Language Arts teacher at the Cleveland private school said, "Considering that this is a national contest, it is a real credit to these young ladies' creativity and diligence as well as to the Birchwood writing program that they would be honored with the publication of their stories. I am so proud of each of them for writing engaging and beautifully descriptive pieces that won the admiration of the judges."



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The Birchwood School is a private, coeducational school in Cleveland, Ohio. Founded in 1984, Birchwood serves students in kindergarten through grade 8. Birchwood's mission is to provide an educational setting where challenging academics build solid work habits, an achievement culture nurtures healthy attitudes, and a caring environment forges social responsibility.

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