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Four Young Birchwood Students Are Published in National Magazine

Four students from Birchwood School's first and second grade class were published in *Spider Magazine*, a national magazine for children 6-9 years old. **Abeedah H**, age 6, **Zuha J**, age 7, **Bridget L**, age 6, and **Shruthi R**, age 7, wrote poems related to holiday comfort food. Their poems will be printed in the March issue.

The Birchwood students prepared by reading acrostic and cinquain poems and then modeled their own work after them. Sticking to the structure of the model poem, students supplied details about the foods they loved to produce an original poem. Their practice paid off, as the four girls' poems represent half of the works chosen from the USA for publication in the March issue. **Rhonda Sprau**, the Language Arts teacher of the students, said, "I'm proud of their effort. Having four students published in one month is phenomenal!"

Spider Magazine is a national literary magazine for children ages 6-9, and are part of the *Cricket Magazine* group. The magazine group has been producing top-quality children's literature for 35 years. The girls' poems can be viewed at www.spidermagkids.com/corner.



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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