



National Association of Conservation Districts



Please check appropriate category:

K-1 2-3 4-6 7-9 10-12

STUDENT (Please Print)

Name: First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

*Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

*Home Phone: _____ Parent/Student E-mail: _____

School Name: _____ Grade: _____ Age: _____

_____ The poster is an original completed by the student named above.

_____ The student received assistance from another person or materials/ideas from another source. If you answered "yes," please include a brief explanation before you submit this entry form.

SCHOOL

Teacher: _____

Please choose: Public School Private School Home Schooled

School Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Teacher/School E-mail: _____

Printed name of parent or guardian name: _____

Signature of parent or guardian allowing NACD/the conservation district listed below to utilize poster submission for educational or promotional purposes:

_____ Date _____

CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Name: Geauga Soil and Water Conservation District

Contact: Katie Nainiger Title: Conservation Education Coordinator

Address: 14269 Claridon-Troy Rd, Box 410 Phone (440)834-1122

City: Burton State: OH Zip: 44021

Email: knainiger@geaugaswcd.com

***Home address and phone number of student is required for all poster entries to be eligible. This information will *not* be made public it is for District use only to be able to contact winning students when school is not in session.**

WATERSHEDS OUR WATER, OUR HOME



2018

Poster Contest

For further information contact:

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Rules

- **Who Can Participate?** The 2018 Poster Contest is open to all students in grades K-12. Students in public, private or home school.
- Any media may be used, including paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, stickers, paper, or other materials. Hand-drawn poster size must be 14" x 22" (half a poster). If sent digitally (photographs or scanned copies of the hand drawn posters in a JPEG format), the size doesn't apply. Posters should be packaged so they remain flat when sent for judging.
- All posters must be created by an individual student, rather than a team of students.
- The 2018 theme "Watersheds: Our Water, Our Home" must be included on the front side of each poster.
- A signed and legible entry form must be secured to the back of poster to be eligible for judging.
- Although younger students will most likely receive help in planning from parents or teachers, NACD encourages each student to do their own work. (Note: Entries with student handwriting and coloring will score better than those designed, drawn, and colored by adult assistance.)

Geauga SWCD Rules:

Posters are due to Geauga SWCD, 14269 Claridon-Troy Road, Burton, Ohio 44021 by **May 24, 2018**. If you would like them picked up, contact Katie Nainiger at Geauga SWCD by **May 18, 2018**.

Poster Evaluations

The posters are evaluated on the following criteria:

- Conservation message (50 percent) (Poster uses correct theme)
- Visual effectiveness (30 percent)
- Originality (10 percent)
- Universal appeal (10 percent)

Prizes

- Geauga Soil and Water Conservation District Prize: Prizes awarded for 1st and 2nd place
- State winners will be eligible for NACD National Poster Contest and prizes.



Why Participate?

Project Based Learning through poster design and researching the theme, can give your students a voice in your community on important conservation issues. Good posters tell important stories to present and future generations. Posters capture people's attention with a powerful graphic and inspire with a message for your community.

Watershed....

A watershed is land that sheds water. Every piece of land on the planet is part of a watershed. Even the desert known as Death Valley is part of a watershed. You're sitting in a watershed right now! The way we treat the land in our watersheds and our daily habits can have a big impact on the water we drink. Did you know that only 1% of the water on our planet is fresh, useable water?

Visit the websites below when researching information related to your project. Check your local library for more resources.

What Is A Watershed?

- www.fs.fed.us/rm/boise/research/techtrans/projects/scienceforkids/watersheds.shtml
- water.usgs.gov/edu/watershed.html

Is Your Watershed Healthy?

- swfwmd.state.fl.us/education/kids/healthy.php

Know Your Watershed – It's Where Your Water Comes From!

- allaboutwatersheds.org/library/kyw-poster-files-and-links/know-your-watershedhomepage/

Watersheds, flooding & pollution

- www.noaa.gov/resource-collections/watersheds-flooding-pollution

Water Conservation

- savingh2o.org/conservewater.html
- ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/ws/wtrcnsv.html

Discover Water

- discoverwater.org/

Protecting Your Watershed

- oracwa.org/pdf/protecting-your-watershed.pdf

Water Use It Wisely

- wateruseitwisely.com/kids/

The Water Cycle

- aquatech.com/water-education-for-kids/