



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.**



2017

Poster

Contest

For further information contact:

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**Geauga Soil and Water
Conservation District**

Rules

- **Who Can Participate?** The 2017 Poster Contest is open to all students in grades K-12. Students in public, private or home school.
- Any media may be used to create a flat or two-dimensional effect (paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, stickers, paper or other materials on regular posters (no computer only special category) Poster size must be 14" x 22".
- 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 2017 Stewardship theme “**Healthy Soils are Full of Life**” must be included on each poster submission to be eligible for the national poster contest.
- 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 as much of the work as possible by him/herself. Entries completed by students in their 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 26, 2017. If you would like them picked up, contact Katie Nainiger at Geauga SWCD by **May 19, 2017**.

Poster Evaluations

The posters are evaluated on the following criteria:

- Conservation message (50 percent)
- 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.

Visit the websites below when researching information related to your project. Check your local library for more resources on the importance of soils and healthy nutrition.

National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD)

nacdnet.org

The challenge of feeding our world

nutrientsforlife.org

The story of the soil

soils.org

State ag facts

agclassroom.org

Do you have a clue where your food comes from?

extension.illinois.edu

What is soil?

nrcs.usda.gov

Healthy soils for a healthy life

fao.org

All about soil

soils4kids.org

Gardening for nutrition

faitc.org

Soil conservation

eschooltoday.com

Life under your feet

lifeunderyourfeet.org

Soil and Health

soil-net.com