



The Skagit Conservation District Presents:

2024 Soil and Water Stewardship Poster Contest



In honor of Soil and Water Stewardship Week, the Skagit Conservation District's Annual Poster Contest provides kindergarten through twelfth grade students with an opportunity to share their thoughts about soil, water, and related natural resources. Stewardship Week helps to remind us all of the power each person has to conserve natural resources and improve the world.

Soil and Water Stewardship Week April 28—May 5, 2024

2024 POSTER THEME

May the Forest Be with You Always

Forests play multifaceted roles in sustaining our planet, serving as sources of oxygen, carbon storage, and vibrant hubs of biodiversity. They function as steadfast protectors of soil and water resources, preventing erosion, purifying contaminants, and nurturing healthy watersheds.

In today's context, marked by environmental challenges, resilient forests are indispensable in fostering a sustainable world. The phrase "**May the Forest Be with You Always**" signifies our commitment to responsible forest stewardship, emphasizing their enduring strength and adaptability.

CONTEST RULES

1. The title "May the Forest Be with You Always" must be on the poster. (Don't use any other title or theme.)
2. Any media may be used to create a flat or two-dimensional effect (paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, paper or other materials).
3. Poster size must be between 8.5"x 11" and 16"x 20".
4. All posters must have a completed entry form taped to the back of the poster. (NO staples please.)
5. All posters must be created by an individual student rather than a team of students.

POSTER EVALUATIONS

Posters entered into the Skagit Conservation District Poster Contest are reviewed by a panel of judges. Each judge has one of the following backgrounds: conservation, natural resources, art and/or education. The posters are evaluated on the following criteria:

- Conservation message—50%**
- Visual effectiveness—30%**
- Originality—10%**
- Universal appeal—10%**

POSTER ENTRY DEADLINE—Friday, March 29, 2024
For more information call Cindy @ 360-899-8729

AWARDS!

All students who submit a poster for the contest will receive a certificate of participation.

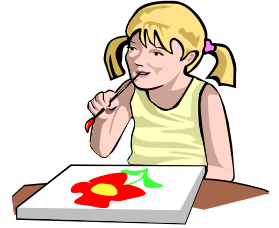


- ★ Awards will be presented to the winners of the following grade categories: K-1, 2-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12.
- ★ In addition, an Overall Winner and Runner-up will be selected.
- ★ The Overall Winner will receive a **\$50.00** Tri Dee Arts gift card, an award plaque, and framing of his/her poster.

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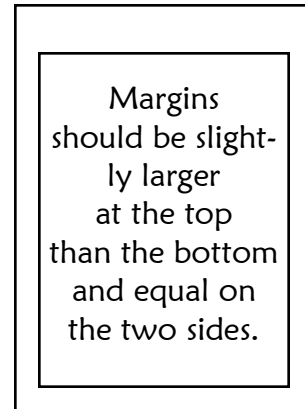


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WHAT MAKES A GOOD POSTER?

- The title of “**May the Forest Be with You Always**” must be the only message on the poster.
- Colors and white space to add emphasis and attract attention.
- Large letters that can be read easily and words that are spaced apart so that the meaning is understood quickly.
- Principles of good design.



Boldness

makes a difference.

R e m e m b e r
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Posters can be mailed to or dropped off at the Skagit Conservation District office located at:

2021 East College Way, Suite 203
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Please call to make an appoint to drop off posters.
no later than **Friday, March 29, 2024.**

If you need the posters to be picked up at your school, or if you have questions, please call Cindy Pierce at (360) 899-8729 or e-mail cindy@skagitcd.org.

Plan

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Plain lettering is more readable than *fancy lettering*

Use

guidelines

Pencil them in lightly at the beginning and erase when done.

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Posters must be received at the SCD office by 4:30 p.m., Friday, April 29, 2024. Posters must have an entry form attached when submitted. Please copy entry forms below.

2024 Entry Form Annual Conservation Poster Contest Sponsored by Skagit Conservation District		
STUDENT'S NAME FIRST:	MIDDLE:	LAST:
SCHOOL/PROGRAM/HOMESCHOOL:		GRADE:
SCHOOL/PROGRAM/HOMESCHOOL ADDRESS:		SCHOOL/PROGRAM/HOME PHONE:
TEACHER/PROGRAM/HOMESCHOOL CONTACT:		
Tape this form to the back of your poster and submit to the Skagit CD office - (360) 899-8729 by 4:30 p.m., March 29, 2024. <u>No staples please!</u>		

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