



The Skagit Conservation District Presents:



2021 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.

Soil and Water Stewardship Week April 25—May 2, 2021

Stewardship Week helps to remind us all of the power each person has to conserve natural resources and improve the world.

2021 POSTER THEME

“Healthy Forests = Healthy Communities”

Trees are vital. As the biggest plants on the planet, they absorb carbon from the atmosphere, stabilize the soil, filter water, provide healthy habitat for wildlife and offer many additional benefits — for nature, people and biodiversity.

Not only is it necessary to protect existing trees and plant new ones, but it's also important to advocate and educate about trees and forest conservation within your community.

POSTER ENTRY DEADLINE
Friday, April 30, 2021
For more information call
Cindy @ 360-428-4313 ext. 1026

CONTEST RULES

1. The title “Healthy Forests = Healthy Communities” 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%**

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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WHAT MAKES A GOOD POSTER?

-  The title of “**Healthy Forests = Healthy Communities**” 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.



Margins should be slightly larger at the top than the bottom and equal on the two sides.

Boldness

makes a difference.

R e m e m b e r
S p a c i n g

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Plan

a h ead

Plain lettering is more readable than *fancy lettering*

Use

guidelines

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

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, April 30, 2021.**

If you need the posters to be picked up at your school, or if you have questions, please call Cindy Pierce at (360) 428-4313, ext. 1026 or e-mail cindy@skagitcd.org.

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Posters must be received at the SCD office by 4:30 p.m., Friday, April 30, 2021. Posters must have an entry form attached when submitted. Please copy entry forms below.

2021 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 "Healthy Forests = Healthy Communities" poster and submit to the Skagit CD office - (360) 428-4313, ext. 1026 by 4:30 p.m., April 30, 2021. <u>No staples please!</u>		

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