

2010 Arbor Day National Poster Contest

Trees are Terrific...and Energy Wise!

Contest Rules for Schools

Ask each student to create a poster that reflects his or her understanding of the important role trees play in cities and towns. Before they create their poster, encourage students to think about the variety of ways trees benefit their community and themselves. Students should make sure their poster follows the contest rules by using the checklist below. You may select the winner or have a judging panel for the classroom and school contest. Judges could include other students, garden club members, nursery personnel, arborists, the city forester, teachers, PTA members or individuals with an interest in trees who are willing to volunteer some time.

- 1. Submit entry by designated deadline to your local county extension office. (see main web page at www.uaex.edu for a list of county extension offices.)**
- 2. All entries must be original artwork created by a student who is currently in the fifth grade. A student may enter the contest only once.**
- 3. The student's first and last name must be written or signed in the lower right-hand corner on the front of the poster.**
- 4. Entries may be done in marker, crayon, paint pens, watercolor, ink, acrylic, colored pencil, and/or tempera paint.**
 - Collages are not acceptable. (Do not glue anything on your poster.)**
 - Computer or photo generated art and/or printing is not acceptable.**
 - Entries should not display the names of commercial products, companies, or organizations.**
- 5. Entries must be no smaller than 8.5" x 11" and no larger than 14" x 18."**
- 6. Entries must be done on paper that will allow for duplication, display, and framing.**

- 7. The poster must be related to the contest theme in some way. The theme Trees are Terrific... and Energy Wise! must be on the poster. All words must be spelled correctly.**
- 8. Entries should not be matted, mounted, laminated, framed, or folded.**
- 9. Each school winning poster must have the School Winner Report Form attached to the back of the poster before it is sent to the county extension office.**