

2024 KANE-DUPAGE SOIL & WATER STEWARDSHIP POSTER CONTEST

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The Kane-DuPage Soil and Water Stewardship Poster Contest provides school students with an opportunity to share their thoughts about natural resource issues.

Eligibility

The Soil and Water Stewardship Poster Contest is open to all K-12 public, private, or home school students that live in Kane or DuPage Counties.

Prizes

A gift card of \$50 will be awarded to the grand-prize winner and a \$25 gift card will be awarded to the first runner-up in the K-1, 2-3 and 4-6 grade divisions. A \$100 gift card will be awarded to the grand-prize winner and a \$50 gift card will be awarded to the first runner-up in 7-9 and 10-12 grade divisions.

Grand prize winners will be notified in late May. Grand prize posters from each grade division will compete in the Association of Illinois Soil and Water Conservation District's Auxiliary Poster contest with the possibility of advancing to the National Conservation Poster Contest.

Contest Rules

- Any media (paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, paper) may be used to create a flat or three-dimensional effect. However, posters should be able to be shipped flat.
- Only posters between 8½ inch x 11 inch and 22 inch x 28 inch will be accepted.
- Posters must be original works by individual students. Artwork may not be copied or duplicate published art including copyright free images.
- Posters should reflect the theme. The 2024 Stewardship title **“May The Forest Be With You Always”** must be on the poster.
- All posters must have a completed and signed entry form attached to the back of the poster.
- Posters must be mailed or delivered to the Kane-DuPage Soil and Water Conservation District office, 2315 Dean St. Suite 100, St. Charles, IL 60175 no later than Friday, April 19.

Questions?

Call the SWCD office at (630)584-7960 Ext. 3 with any questions regarding the contest.

For entry form visit www.kanedupageswcd.org

Theme

“With the forest, the future is.” Forests provide habitat for animals, produce oxygen and help maintain the water cycle. Human actions such as deforestation, pollution and habitat destruction, can have serious consequences for forests. Humans can also take actions to protect and conserve forests. Posters should emphasize the interconnectedness between forests, conservation, and our collective responsibility to safeguard these vital ecosystems.

Judging

Posters entered in the Soil and Water Stewardship poster contest will be evaluated on the following criteria:

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

Posters will not be returned!

They may be picked up at the District office after May 31.

