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2024

KANSAS ARBOR DAY POSTER CONTEST

Attn: 5th Graders!
Enter the Kansas Arbor Day Poster Contest

- See our handout for a full list of contest criteria.
- Posters should be turned in to the Bonner Springs City Library by Sunday, January 21st, 2024.
Create a Poster

We All Need Kansas Trees for Thriving Forest Habitats!

A 35-page pdf with the full Kansas Forest Service 5th - Grade Lesson Plan is available at https://www.kansasforests.org/

Lesson Plan Objectives:
Students will be able to:
- Collect and analyze data about trees found in their communities
- Describe the pattern of forest cover and identify the factors that influence forests in Kansas.

Kansas College and Career Ready Standards

SCIENCE STANDARDS: 5-PS3-1, 5-LS1-1, 5-LS2-1, 5-ESS3-1
KANSAS, HISTORY, GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL STUDIES STANDARDS:
Standard 1- Choices have consequences.

Local Deadline: January 21, 2024
Schools and libraries should send their local-winning posters to Kansas Forest Service District/ Community Foresters on page 35.

Create a Poster

Students should create a poster that reflects their understanding of the components and benefits of a healthy, diverse forest ecosystem. Students are encouraged to think about the different type of forests and the variety of trees, plants, and animals that inhabit each type, especially the forests here in Kansas. A complete lesson plan for the Kansas Arbor Day Poster Contest can be found at www.kansasforests.org.

Student posters must follow the contest rules to be eligible for competition.

Contest Administration and Selection

The Bonner Springs City Library will select one 5th grade winner for entry into the Kansas Forest Service Community Foresters district-level competition. District winners and their teachers will receive robust recognition packages provided by contest partners and be entered into the state-wide competition. A state winner will be selected from the four district-winning entries.

The Kansas winner will be recognized at the Tree City USA Recognition in the spring. A request is made each year for the state winner to meet with the governor and plant a tree on the Capitol grounds.

To find out if your city is a Tree City USA community, visit the Kansas Forest Service website - https://kansasforests.org.
On the home page, click on the View The Map button, click on the Community Forestry layer icon on the left, then click the “Tree City” box to view that layer.

The Kansas Arbor Day Poster Contest is administered by the Kansas Forest Service.
Poster Contest Rules

Follow the contest rules below to make certain all entries are eligible for competition. Entries not meeting these guidelines will be disqualified.

1. All entries must be original artwork created by a student who is currently in the 5th grade. A student may enter the contest only once.

2. The student’s first and last name must be written or signed in the lower right-hand corner on the front of the poster.

3. a) Entries may be done in marker, crayon, paint pens, watercolor, ink, acrylic, colored pencil, and/or tempera paint.
   b) Collages are not acceptable. (Do not glue anything to your poster).
   c) Computer or photo generated art and/or printing is not acceptable. The use of light tables and other professional equipment is prohibited.

4. Entries must be no smaller than 8 ½ x 11” and no larger than 14 x 18”.

5. Entries must be done on paper that will allow for duplication, display, and framing.

6. The poster must be related to the contest theme and content in some way. The theme **We All Need Kansas Trees for Thriving Forest Habitats!** must be on the poster. All words must be spelled correctly.

7. Entries should not be matted, mounted, laminated, framed, or folded.

8. Submit your poster to the Bonner Springs City Library by January 21st, 2024 for entry into the contest.
Local Entry Form: Bonner Springs City Library

Return this form with your completed poster to the Bonner Springs City Library front desk before January 21st, 2024.

All artwork becomes the property of contest sponsors.

Student's Name ________________________________________________________________

Student's Home Address __________________________________________________________

City _____________________________ Kansas Zip ________________

Contact Phone # (_____) ____________________________

Student’s parent or guardian name ________________________________________________

Educator’s name __ Amy Cushing, Youth and Teen Services

Educator’s email __ acushing@bonnerlibrary.org

School name __ Bonner Springs City Library

School Address __ 201 N. Nettleton Ave.

City __ Bonner Springs _____________________________ Kansas Zip __ 66012

School Phone (913) __ 441-2665