Greene County Conservation District 2023 Poster Contest Official Rules

- All posters must be created by an individual student, rather than a team of students. Entry must be contestant's original creation and may not be traced from photographs or other artists' published works.
    - Although younger students will most likely receive help in planning from parents or teachers, the District encourages each student to do their own work. Note: Entries with student handwriting and coloring will score better than those designed, drawn, and colored by adult assistance.
    - Students may complete posters as a part of a school project or as a personal project at home. Meaning that posters will be accepted from schools or individual parents.
- Any media may be used, including paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, stickers, paper or other materials.
    - The District does not accept posters incorporating three-dimensional elements.
    - There is no required poster size, although the District recommends 14x22.
- The 2023 Stewardship theme "One Water" **MUST** be included on the front side of each poster submission.
- The Conservation District will be accepting either original or digital submissions in 2023. Originals may be delivered to the District office (address below) or teachers/parents/guardians may contact the District to arrange pick-up.
    - Digital submissions should be a photograph or scan of the original artwork in JPEG format. The poster should take up the full frame of the image.
    - Each poster submitted electronically should be named using the following format: Grade Level_Last Name
    - Each entry **MUST** be submitted with an entry form to be eligible for judging. The form must be completed and signed by a parent or guardian.
- This contest is open to students in kindergarten through eighth grade. The Conservation District Board of Directors will judge posters in four divisions (K-1, 2-3, 4-6, 7-8).
    - The top three entrants in each division will receive a cash prize of either $50, $75 or $100.
    - The first-place winner of each division will be sent to a statewide competition held by the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts.
- Posters should be kept until winners are announced.
- Poster Contest entries are reviewed based on the following criteria:
    - Conservation message (50 percent) (Poster uses correct theme)
    - Visual effectiveness (30 percent)
    - Originality (10 percent)
    - Universal appeal (10 percent)
- **Entries must be received by Friday April 17, 2023**

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