

# **POSTER CONTEST**

# ENTRY DEADLINE: 4:00PM, Thursday, February 29, 2024

## THEME: "May the Forest Be With You Always"

Open to any Okeechobee County student grades K - 12

Posters (with entry forms affixed to the back) may be delivered to the USDA Service Center 452 US Highway 98 N., Okeechobee, FL 34972 (or contact Robbi Sumner, 863.623.3240, by Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> to arrange for school pick up.)

Grade Categories: K-1<sup>st,</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

Cash Prizes! 1st = \$50, 2nd = \$35, 3rd = \$20, per category

For a complete list of rules and entry form visit: www.okeechobeeswcd.org



# **2024 POSTER CONTEST RULES**



## **ELIGIBILITY**

- The Okeechobee Soil and Water Conservation District Poster Contest is open to Okeechobee County students (public, private or home educated) grades kindergarten through twelfth grade.
- DEADLINE: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024 at 4:00PM

### **CONTEST RULES**

- Any media may be used to create a flat or two-dimensional effect (paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, stickers, paper or other materials on regular posters).
- $\Box$  Poster size must be between 8.5"x11" and 22"x28".
- □ Posters should be packaged so they remain flat when submitted to OSWCD.
- □ All posters must be created by an individual student rather than a team of students.
- The theme/words: "May the Forest Be With You Always" must be included in the artwork.
- □ EACH ENTRY MUST HAVE A SIGNED ENTRY FORM AFFIXED TO THE BACK OF THE POSTER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR JUDGING.
- Although younger students will most likely receive help in planning from parents or teachers, OSWCD encourages each student to do as much work as possible by him/herself. Entries completed by students in their handwriting and coloring will score better than those designed, drawn and colored with adult assistance.

### **POSTER EVALUATIONS**

- □ Accuracy of conservation message (50 percent)
- □ Visual effectiveness (30 percent)
- □ Originality (10 percent)
- Universal appeal (10 percent)
- □ Also taken into consideration, artwork on poster is that of participant (unless noted on entry form)

#### **PRIZE LEVELS**

- Grade Categories: K-1st; 2nd-3rd; 4th-6th; 7th-9th; 10th-12th
- $\Box$  Cash prizes of 1<sup>st</sup> = \$50; 2<sup>nd</sup> = \$35; 3<sup>rd</sup> = \$20 in each Grade category
- □ Winners at the local level will advance to the Area IV contest, with a chance of advancing to the State contest. Local winner names will be announced on our Facebook page and in the Lake Okeechobee News.