

# Poster Contest

Spring brings a focus on prevention including Alcohol Awareness Month held each April. Why is prevention important? There are as many reasons as there are students, but here's two big reasons:

- All youth face risk. Not exactly the same risks, at the same time, or to the same degree, but all youth face circumstances and choices that shape their lives. Prevention means equipping youth to make the best possible choices.
- Youth need tools to say no. Alcohol, marijuana, vapes, and other drugs are everywhere. Knowing why drugs are especially dangerous to developing brains empowers young people to say no. The Poster Contest allows studentst to internalize their own reasons to say no to alcohol and other drugs through artistic expression.

## ENTER THE 29TH ANNUAL ALCOHOL/DRUG PREVENTION POSTER CONTEST FOR GRADES 6-12

Let your students pick from three thought-provoking themes & watch their ideas come to life! Use the attached flyer to spark conversations about the dangers of drug use. Students love competing for the awesome prizes, but the real prize is the opportunity to help youth consider the risks of underage drinking, vaping, and other drug use.



Please feel free to contact me with any questions! Materials are available at [ilcaaap.org](http://ilcaaap.org). Entries can be mailed anytime before April 12, 2024. Winners will be announced in late April.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lynn".

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