



ALGER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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1st Annual *Conservation Art Contest*

Official Rules, Guidelines, and Timeline

For questions about submission, contact Alger Conservation District at:
(906) 387-2222 or algercd@macd.org

Introduction

The Alger Conservation District's "Contest for Conservation" is open to K-12th grade students. Schools will be separated into two categories: K-6th and 7th-12th. Each participating school will vote for 2 finalists to be showcased at the county level. One winner from each age category will be selected by county residents.

The contest will choose one design from each school for an exclusive t-shirt campaign. Each school's design will raise funds for every item purchased for that specific school!

Funds raised will go toward a conservation project of the school's choice, implemented in partnership with the Alger Conservation District, to increase natural resource and agricultural education for students across the school. These projects can include educational materials, learning gardens, field trips to local farms, and more.

The students who created the winning design for their school will receive an exclusive outdoor prize bonanza. The winning students of the county vote are eligible for a grand prize - a wide variety of outdoor gear to explore and enjoy nature!

Contest Rules

- Traditional painted or drawn posters should be scanned and uploaded as a PDF.
- Size: The logo design size should meet these requirements:
 - Height: 14 inches
 - Width: 18 inches
- Max Colors Allowed: Only 3
- Any media may be used, including paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, stickers, paper, or other materials.
- **Digital designs will be excluded.**
- All designs must be created by an individual student, rather than a team of students.

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- Entry must be the contestant's original creation and may not be traced from photographs or other artists' published works. All artwork must be original; no use of copyrighted material.
- The design must be focused on a conservation topic from the list below:
 - Healthy Soil
 - Bird Conservation
 - Pollinators
 - Water Quality
 - Wildlife Habitat
- Although younger students will most likely receive help in planning from parents or teachers, ACD encourages each student to do their own work.
- Entries will be judged at the school level, and then the school winners will advance to the county-wide finals.

Contest Timeline

January 16th: Entries are submitted as a pdf to algercd@macd.org (If applicable)

February 14th: Final deadline for entries if they are not able to submit by the original deadline. Must be submitted as a pdf to algercd@macd.org

February 21st: Online voting at the county level for finalists and Grand Prize winners.

March 20th: In-person voting opportunity at ACD's annual meeting (5 pm at Gallery Coffee Company).

April 1-13: Presales for the winning design will be available online.

May 9th: T-shirts will be available for pickup at ACD's annual tree sale.

Prizes

There will be two categories: K-6th and 7th-12th, with first-, second-, and third-place awards for each. The prizes will be awarded as such:

Kindergarten to 6th grade-

First place: Prize pack including at-home science kits and books, young readers' field guides, bird feeders, binoculars, and more.

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Kindergarten to 6th grade *(continued)*-

Second place: \$100 gift card from Downwind Sports

Third place: \$50 gift card from Downwind Sports

7th-12th grade-

First place: Prize pack including hiking backpack, camping hammock, trekking poles, rechargeable headlamp, and more.

Second place: \$100 gift card from Downwind Sports

Third place: \$50 gift card from Downwind Sports

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