

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

POSTER CONTEST

2026-27 Guidance for CT Councils

The *Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest* has been a great success here in CT. This is a very easy program to participate in. Here's how to do it:

1. **Order your kit.** Grand Knights or Program Directors should go online and order the kit via Supplies Online. The order # is CPC-KIT-E. The kit is FREE, but there is a \$5.00 shipping fee. The kit includes a program guide with all the information needed to successfully run the program, including entry forms, participation certificates, winners' certificates and most importantly, the rules. Do not wait, order your councils kit now!
2. **Contact Schools for Participation.** The most successful participations are from the Parochial schools and Religious Education Programs. Contact the Principal of your local Parochial school or DRE at your parish regarding their student's participation in this program. You should be doing this at the beginning of the school year.
 - a. You should also purchase the 11" X 18" sized paper that is required for the posters. This will ensure that your participants have compliant entries. Early entry form and paper distribution will result in a greater number of contest participants.
3. **Collect Poster Entries.** Councils need to set a deadline to receive the posters from the School or DRE. December 15th is suggested. The longer you wait the more difficult you will find it to collect the posters due to holiday closures.
4. **Judge & Recognize Posters Winners at Council Level.** Your council will need to judge the posters according to the guidelines which are listed on the back of each entry form. The council must choose just one winner per age group: ages 5-7, 8-10 and 11-14. *Do not choose a winning poster that is not compliant with the size requirements.*
5. **Submit Your Winning Posters.** The winners must be forwarded to your District Deputy, he must judge all submissions from the district and choose only one winner per age group to forward to Chairman Chris Randall. If you do not have a District Deputy, contact Chairman Chris Randall

Note for District Deputies: The deadline for District Submissions for State Council consideration is **January 17, 2027**. Winning selections should be mailed in or delivered in person to Chris Randall by District Deputies at the January 18 Pro-Life Mass at St. Mary's in New Haven. This ensures enough time to have the posters judged by the State Council and forwarded to Supreme for international consideration.

Contact our Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Context Chairman with any questions you may have:

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