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Teachers of Arenac County Students Grades K-12

2025 Arenac Conservation District Poster Contest

The Arenac Conservation District is excited to announce the dates for our 55th Annual Poster Contest. We appreciate all teachers and students who participate in our contest; it is because of your cooperation that our poster contest is such a great success! We have the best participation in the state of Michigan. Attached are some resources to help with your education process and let us know if we can help in any way!

I will pick all posters up **April 24 when we drop off the seedlings for the students for k-8 grades for Arbor Day.**

There are five divisions for the drawing poster contest.

Division I- Kindergarten and 1st grades

Division II-Grades 2nd and 3rd

Division III-Grades 4th, 5th and 6th

Division IV-Grades 7th, 8th & 9th

Division V-Grades 10th, 11th & 12th

Braille and additional assist.

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Division V-Grades 10th, 11th & 12th

Digital Posters

Division I 7th, 8th, 9th,

Division II 10th, 11th 12th

The title for the 2025 poster contest is: “Home is Where the Habitat is.”



The title must appear on the front of the poster. We ask that the following information be included on the back of each poster: **student’s name, school, grade, and teacher’s name.**


If any posters are chosen to represent the Arenac Conservation District in the State contest, we will ask for the student’s home contact information at that time. **Senior students should also put their address on the back of the poster.**


Poster size: **11’ x 17” recommended but we will take any that are 8”x11” or larger**

Digital Posters should be emailed to: dawn.hergott@mi.nacdnet.net

Digital Poster Contest Rules


-  The posters must be a digital design and can be created in any platform used for digital projects such as Canva, PicMonkey, Google Slides, Photoshop, InDesign, etc.
-  The poster design size should meet the requirements of the 11” X 17” is recommended but will take any that are 8”X 11” or larger.


 Digital posters must be original work and **NOT** include any copyrighted, trademarked or branded marks, images or phrases besides the NACD 2024 themed logo.

 Digital posters should be submitted in JPEG or PNG format.

The 2025 Stewardship theme **“Home is Where the Habitat is.”**

 must be included in each poster submission to be eligible for the national poster contest.

 All posters must be created by an individual student, rather than a team of students.


 All posters must be submitted to the Arenac Conservation District via email at dawn.hergott@usda.gov by May 1st 2025.


 Pictures should be labeled.

First_name last name_grade_school

John_Smith_9_SSC

Jane_Smith_10_AGS

 Top three winners will receive a certificates.

 First place winners will be recognized at our Annual Meeting in February.

Braille Poster Contest, was inspired by a creative 6th-grade student from Tuscola Conservation District, Michigan. This inclusive competition invites blind and low-vision students in grades K-12 to participate, promoting accessibility and a fair experience. Contestants may use braille as well as written lettering and art to create posters that champion natural resource conservation, ensuring equal opportunities for all students, regardless of their visual abilities.

The Additional Assist Poster Contest. The Additional Assist Poster Contest is open to all students who may benefit from additional assistance in completing their posters. This contest promotes accessibility and embraces diversity by providing a platform for students of varying abilities to express their creativity and advocate for natural resource conservation.

We wish all your students the **“Best of Luck”** in the contest. The winners of each classroom will receive **1st, 2nd and 3rd** place ribbon and certificate. Division winners will go on to the state level, 1st place state level winners go on to the national level.

Thank you so much for your time and work you put forth to make this contest possible.

Students that place at the State or National level receive cash prizes! Division winners are recognized in our Annual Report and at our Annual Meeting and on our website.

If you have any questions, please call me at (989) 846-4565 ext. 5

Good luck to everyone!

Dawn M. Hergott
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Poster Evaluations for all posters

Poster Contest entries are judged on the following criteria:

- Conservation message (50 percent) - poster uses correct theme.
- Visual effectiveness (30 percent)
- Originality (10 percent) and
- Universal appeal (10 percent)
- Also taken into consideration artwork is completed on poster is that of participant (unless noted on entry form).
- All posters must have the complete title on them

To make it easier, you can just use this for the students to fill out and attach to the back of their posters.

"Home is Where the Habitat is."

Name _____

School _____

Teachers Name _____

Grade _____

(circle one)

Division I II III IV V

Braille I II III IV V

Additional Assist I II III IV V