

Local Conservation Poster, Limerick and Essay Contests

Subject matter shall be related to the use and/or conservation of natural resources with special emphasis on the conservation of water and soil.

Poster Contest is open locally to 3rd grade students

Limerick Contest is open locally to 5th - 8th grade students

Essay Contest is open locally to 5th - 8th grade students

The national theme for the 2018 contest is "Watershed: Our Water, Our Home".

*Posters must follow this theme in order to advance to the national **poster** contest.*

*Essays **MUST** use this theme.*

Visit our website <http://www.fccdks.org/school-programs.html> for a FREE downloadable Educators Guide full of resources to fit with the watershed theme!

It will be the responsibility of either the teacher or a school volunteer to deliver the posters, limericks and essays to the Conservation District prior to the deadline; late entries are not accepted. Entries must be delivered to the Franklin County Conservation District Office before October 8 each year. **Since October 8 is a Sunday, entries must be delivered by 4:30PM Friday October 5, 2018** The Conservation District Office is located in the USDA Service Center at 343 West 23rd in south Ottawa; our office is on the WEST end of the building (enter through GLASS DOOR that says Franklin County Conservation District)

Poster Rules: Must be 12"x18" HORIZONTAL display with no mount or background display.

Limerick Rules: Must have name/title. Limericks must be typed/printed, using large font, and the copy paper is to be mounted on a 12"x18" piece of poster/construction paper in a HORIZONTAL display.

Essay Rules: Must be typed, double spaced, using Times New Romans 12 pt font, not to exceed 500 words. Topic must follow theme. For youth participating from Junior High Schools that are members of KSHSAA, the essay must be written under teacher or other adult supervision.



Rules for ALL Contests: Keep flat; do not roll or fold. Students Name, Grade, School Name and Teachers name (please indicate Mr/Ms) must be on the BACK, lower left hand corner of poster/limerick/essay. Printed labels are preferred but VERY legible handwriting is accepted