

Local Conservation Poster, Limerick and Essay Contests

The national theme for the 2019 contest is **"Life in the Soil; Dig Deeper"**.

Visit our website <http://www.fccdks.org/school-programs.html> for a FREE downloadable Educators Guide full of resources to fit with the soil theme! We have even added a FREE student booklet (grades 2/3) for download as well!

Poster Rules: Poster Contest is open locally to 3rd grade students

Must be 12"x18" HORIZONTAL display with no mount or background display. Posters **MUST** follow the national theme; *and MUST include the theme as a title on the poster in order to advance to the national poster contest.* Student name, grade, school, and teachers name (please indicate Mr/Ms) must be very legible ON BACK, lower left-hand corner, of each entry. (Avery labels are great!) *Get creative with medium used, crayons, markers, colored pencils, craft paper, chalk, soil paint; the possibilities are endless.*

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

Must have name/title. Limericks must be typed/printed, using large font, and the copy paper (11x17 OR 8.5x14) is to be mounted on a 12"x18" piece of poster/construction paper in a HORIZONTAL display. Limericks can use a broad "conservation" themed, not limited to Life in the Soil theme. Student name, grade, school, and teachers name (please indicate Mr/Ms) must be very legible ON BACK, lower left-hand corner, of each entry. (Avery labels are great!)

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

Must be typed, double spaced, using Times New Romans 12 pt font, not to exceed 500 words. Topic must follow national theme. *For youth participating from Junior High Schools that are members of KSHSAA, the essay must be written under teacher or other adult supervision.* Must have PRINTED (legible) student name, school, grade and teacher name ON BACK of the last page.

Rules for ALL Contests:

Limited to ONE entry per student between the three contests.

Keep flat; do not roll or fold.

Printed labels are preferred, but VERY legible handwriting is accepted.

entries must be delivered* by 4:30PM Tuesday October 8, 2019

*It will be the responsibility of either the teacher or a school volunteer to deliver entries to the Conservation District at 343 West 23rd Street in south Ottawa; our office entrance is the glass door on the WEST end of the building and we are the second wooden door on the left in the hall.