



Hamilton County Conservation District Poster and Essay Contest Rules

"May the Forest Be with You, Always"

Local Poster and Essay Contest Details

- Categories
 - K-2nd (poster only)
 - 3rd-5th
 - 6th-8th
 - 9th-12th
- Deadline for submissions: **April 5, 2024**
- Entries may be submitted by mail or dropped off at the HCCD office, located at **1325 East Kemper Rd., Suite 115**. School pick-up by district staff may be arranged depending on staff availability.
- Each entry must have: student name, grade, school name, teacher and teacher's e-mail and phone number.
- Must be student's own work. Entries completed without adult assistance will be scored better.
- Winning students and supporting teachers at each age level will receive a \$25 Gift Card from Half-Priced Books.

Essay Details

- The theme "May the Forest Be with You, Always" must be present in your essay submission.
- Essay must be between 300-500 words.

Poster Details

- The theme "May the Forest Be with You, Always" must be on your poster submission.
- Poster size between 8.5"x11" and 22"x28"
- Any media may be used to create a poster. Poster must be flat or 2D.
 - Paint
 - Crayons
 - Colored Pencils
 - Charcoal
 - Paper
- Helpful tips
 - Use a combination of illustrations and words
 - Make sure the poster is balanced
 - Be as neat as you can
- Things you should NOT do
 - Cover poster with lamination or other clear covering
 - Use fluorescent poster board as the background
 - Create a poster that is all words
 - Create a poster that is all pictures
- No photographic images
- Posters evaluated for Conservation Message (50%), Visual effectiveness (30%), Originality (10%) and Universal Appeal (10%).

