2027 Conservation Poster Contest



Important information:

- Can be hand-drawn or done digitally
- Due on **February 19, 2027**
- 1st place winners of each category are eligible for the SC Association of Conservation Districts (SCACD) State Poster Contest
- 1st place state winners are eligible for the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) National Poster Contest

NACD presents Stewardship Week 2027

FROM SOURCE TO SEA

EVERY DROP HAS A JOURNEY

Theme:
From Source to Sea. Every Drop Has a Journey.

Questions?
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Hand-drawn poster Rules:

A disregard for the rules will result in the poster being rejected from judging.

- Poster size must be 14" x 22"
  - No fluorescent poster board
  - Allowed decoration materials: paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, markers, stickers, paper, or similar materials
- "From Source to Sea. Every Drop Has a Journey." Must be the title of your poster (Do NOT use any other title)
- Do NOT:
  - Put your name on the **front** of the poster
  - Use glitter or materials that can shake off the poster
  - Laminate or cover the finished poster
  - Use staples, tacks, or tape on the front of the poster (You are allowed to use tape on the back to attach the entry form)
- Only one poster entry per student is allowed for each contest
- Poster must be created by individual students (not a group project), we encourage students to do as much of the work as possible
  - Entries in the student's own handwriting and coloring will score better than those with obvious adult assistance
- Entry form must be taped on the back of the poster
- Entry form must be signed, entirely completed, and legible to be eligible for judging

Following the criteria for poster evaluation:

- Conservation message (50%)
- Visual effectiveness (30%)
- Originality (10%)
- Universal appeal (10%)

Drop Off Location:

Bring posters and entry forms to our office 1771 Hwy. 521 Bypass South in Lancaster, SC. The office is on the hiss across from Fastenal. **Please call the office at 803-286-4455 ext. 100 to make sure someone is in the office before you stop by to pick up or drop off posters.**

Prizes:

- 1st place: $50 gift card
- 2nd place: $45 gift card
- 3rd place: $40 gift card

The teacher with the most posters turned in will receive a $50 gift card per category and a one-year subscription to SC Wildlife Magazine.

Categories (5) for judging/winners:

Kindergarten to 1st Grade
2nd Grade to 3rd Grade
4th Grade to 6th Grade
7th Grade to 9th Grade
10th Grade to 12th Grade

Who May Participate in the Poster Contest?

The poster contest is open to all students in grades K-12 who are attending public, private, or home school in Lancaster County. Any student who wants to enter the contest may do so individually or through a participating school.

Digital poster Rules:

A disregard for the rules will result in the poster being rejected from judging.

- Poster can be horizontal or vertical and measures 8.5" x 11"
- Any mixed media suitable for reproduction as a poster, such as Canva, PicMonkey, Google Slides, Photoshop, InDesign, ect, is allowed.
- Digital posters must be original art and shall not include any copyrighted, trademark, or branded marks, images, or phrases besides the NACD 2027 themed logo, if desired.
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Submission:

Format Digital design should be submitted as a 300 dpi JPEG or PNG. Email to amanda.roberts@sc.nacdnet.net along with a copy of the entry form.

Categories (2) for judging/winners:

7th Grade to 9th Grade

10th Grade to 12th Grade

Why Participate?

Designing a poster and researching the theme gives you a voice in your community on important conservation issues. Good posters tell important stories to present and future generations. Posters capture people's attention with a powerful graphic and inspire with a message to your community.

All programs and services of the Lancaster Conservation District are offered on a non-discriminatory basis without regard to race, color, age, gender, national origin, religion, handicap, or marital status.