

Marion Soil and Water Conservation District



Poster Theme: "Watersheds.... Our Water, Our Home"

Rules: For a complete list of rules and updates, please visit our website, www.marionsoilandwater.com.

1. Open to all Marion County student in grades K through 12 on an individual basis.
2. Poster size must be between 8.5" x 11" and 22" x 28".
3. Any Media may be used to create a **FLAT** or two-dimensional effect (i.e. crayons, paints, colored pencils, pen, charcoal, paper or other materials).
4. The 2017 NACD Stewardship theme "**Watersheds.... Our Water, Our Home**" **MUST BE ON YOUR POSTER.**
5. **Official Entry forms must be completed in full and taped to the back of the poster.**
6. Failure to comply with these contest rules will disqualify the contestant. Entries can still be judged; however, no award(s) will be given for any disqualifications.

Divisions: K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-6th, 7th-9th, 10th-12th

Judging Criteria: Judges will score entries based on the following:

Conservation Message	50 points
Visual Effectiveness	30 points
Originality	10 points
Universal Appeal	10 points



Awards: Each of the five divisions will receive awards for 1st Place (\$50), 2nd Place (\$25) and 3rd Place (\$10). All participants will receive a ribbon or certificate of participation.

DEADLINE: Deliver posters to MSWCD 2241 NE 3rd St., Suite 202-4 Ocala, FL 34470 by **Wednesday, November 8, 2017, 4:30 p.m. PLEASE CALL BEFORE DELIVERY.**

Participation: MSWCD reserves the right to display poster entries, participant's names, school, etc. throughout the 2017-2018 school year. Division winners will be notified by MSWCD. First place winning posters will be forwarded to the next level of competition (Regional, State and National) and become the property of the contest. Posters may be picked up at the MSWCD AFTER THE Regional contest or at the awards Ceremony.

MSWCD is not responsible for returning posters.

For additional information contact MSWCD (352) 622-3971, Option 3 or susamswcd@gmail.com

Participation earns points towards the Youth Conservationist of the Year Award.