

## 2017 Arbor Day Poster Rules

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**Eligibility:** All 5<sup>th</sup> grade students in Allegheny County are eligible to enter their school's poster contest. Each school may submit one poster per grade to the Arbor Day Contest. If we receive more than one poster per grade than the entire school will be disqualified. Submit entry by designated deadline of March 31, 2017.

**Theme:** Include the theme, "**Trees Produce.....(artist fill in the blank)**" in the poster design. The theme must be free drawn and spelled correctly. Stencils, computer-generated letters and press-on letters are not acceptable.

**Originality:** All entries must be original artwork created by a student who is currently in the fifth grade. A student may enter the contest only once. Posters must be original. Copyrighted cartoon characters, TV figures, and photographs are not acceptable. Entries should not display the names of commercial products, companies, or organizations.

**Medium:** Posters may be drawn in marker, crayon, colored pencil, paint pens, watercolor, ink, acrylic or tempera paint. Bright colors that reproduce well are best. Computer or photo generated art and/or printing is not acceptable.

**Presentation:** Posters may be created on poster paper or drawing paper but submission to Tree Pittsburgh should be done electronically. Take a photo of finished work and email a .jpeg file to joe@treepittsburgh along with your submission information. The student's first and last name must be written or signed in the lower right- hand corner on the front of the poster.

**Entry Forms:** Complete one Artist Report Form and attach it to your email with the image of the poster. (Take a photo of finished work and email to joe@treepittsburgh along with your artist/school submission information.)

**Voting:** Voting will take place on Tree Pittsburgh's Facebook page. The public will be encouraged to vote for an unlimited number of posters. In the event of a tie, the Tree Pittsburgh staff will take a tie-breaker vote. You may (and should) encourage your school to vote.

**Prize:** The top 3 artists will receive a gift card for school supplies for their classroom (1<sup>st</sup> place - \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$75, 3<sup>rd</sup> place - \$50), as well as an educational classroom visit by Tree Pittsburgh staff, a classroom teaching Tree Kit, and their artwork featured in promotional material throughout the year.

## **POSTER ENTRY DEADLINE: March 31, 2017**

**It is up to you to determine the winning entry that will be submitted for your school. Please check with your other 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers and art teachers if they plan on participating in the contest as well.**