

MD-DE-DC Elks

DRUG AWARENESS PROGRAM

2010 Poster and Essay Contest

January 15 - March 1, 2010



Theme: "I'VE BETTER THINGS TO DO THAN DRUGS"

Poster Contest:

Open to all students in grades 3-5

Student must color and draw a picture on 8.5 X 11" plain sheet of paper.

Essay Contest:

Open to all students in grades 6-8

Student must hand write an essay, up to 500 words.

For more information, call your local Elks Lodge at:

All Elks Lodge Telephone numbers are listed on our website at: www.mddedcelksassn.org.

Elks Poster and Essay Contest

Lodge Information

Enclosed is the necessary information for you and your Lodge Drug Awareness committee to sponsor and conduct the annual Poster and Essay Contest. Please try to follow the ideas and timelines as outlined.

* **2010 THEME: "I'VE BETTER THINGS TO DO THAN DRUGS"**

- **START UP:**

You can start this contest in your school districts as soon as you wish.

- **JUDGING:**

- **Criteria for accepting POSTERS:**

The official poster paper is 8.5 x 11" plain white paper **MUST** be used.

The student **MUST** draw and color their entry.

No computer-generated entries will be allowed.

No **TRADE MARKED** characters are allowed (except Elroy the Elk).

The student's name, age, grade, phone, home address, school name, teacher's name **MUST** be on the

BACK. Remind contestants that their entry becomes the property of the BPOE.

Completed Hold Harmless waiver.

Entrants **MUST** be in the 3rd through 5th grades.

- **Criteria for accepting ESSAYS:**

The white paper must be 8 1/2" x 11", lined or unlined.

Maximum of 200 words

Handwritten essays are preferred, but an entry is not required to be handwritten.

The student's name, age, grade, phone, home address, school name, teacher's name, **MUST** be on the

BACK. Remind contestants that their entry becomes the property of the BPOE.

Completed Hold Harmless waiver.

Entrants **MUST** be in the 6th through 8th grades.

- **Criteria for JUDGING POSTERS & ESSAYS:**

- a. **Closeness to the theme.**

- b. **Originality**

- c. **Neatness**

- d. **Essays:** Correct grammatical structure / **Posters:** Aesthetics – Use Color & Uniqueness

- Lodge judging on the previous criteria **MUST** be completed and the top winner **MUST** be forwarded to your **District Chairman by March 15, 2010** (Postmarked).

- Each lodge is responsible for notifying the winners in your local competition.

- **DISTRICT COMPETITION:**

District judging on the previous criteria **MUST** be completed with the top winners forwarded to the State Chairman by April 1, 2010 (Postmarked).

- **STATE COMPETITION:**

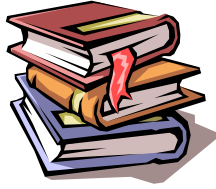
State judging on the previous criteria will be in Mid-April 2010. The top [3] winners will receive savings bonds, to be distributed during Elks Youth Week in May.

- **AWARDS for each Contest:**

Each lodge may give awards to your lodge winners.

- **State Awards for each Contest are:**

1st Place: \$250.00 savings bond 2nd place: \$100.00 savings bond 3rd place: \$50.00 savings bond



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Drug Awareness - Essay Contest Rules Teacher Information

Contest open to all 6th, 7th, & 8th grade students.

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PARTICIPANTS MUST WRITE THEIR ESSAY themselves, but they may get help from teachers, parents, or friends in the form of ideas.

Length: no longer than 200 words

Paper size: 8 ½" x 11" white, Lined or unlined

Text: Hand written or hand printed is preferred

Judging will be based on the following:

Closeness to the theme

Neatness

Originality

Essays: Correct grammatical structure / Posters: Aesthetics - Use Color & Uniqueness

Each entry must have the following information on the back of the essay:

Student's full name, age, grade, home address, phone number, School name, teacher's name

Due Date:

Please return your essay to your local Elks Lodge Drug Awareness chairman by MARCH 1, 2010.

Winners:

Your local Elks lodge will select the top essay, using the criteria listed above. The lodge will notify winners. Winning essays will be forwarded to District Competition. District winners will be forwarded to State Level Competition. All winning entries become the sole property of the BPOE, and may not be returned. State winner to be forwarded for the National level of competition for additional prizes.

State Awards:

1st Place: \$250.00 savings bond 2nd place: \$100.00 savings bond 3rd place: \$50.00 savings bond

* The State Drug Awareness Chairman will choose one overall winner.

For more information contact your local Elks lodge or visit our website at: www.mddedcelksassn.org, Thank you for participating in the poster contest. There are no losers. Children who want to stay healthy and happy are all winners. Sponsored by the MD-DE-DC Elks Association - Drug Awareness Program.



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Drug Awareness - Poster Contest Rules Teacher Information

Contest open to all 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade students.

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POSTER PAPER SIZE:

The official poster paper size **MUST** be used, which is a plain 8 ½ X 11" paper with the students name, age, grade, address, telephone, school name, and teacher's name - **on the back of the Poster.**

Judging will be based on the following:

Closeness to the theme

Neatness

Originality

Essays: Correct grammatical structure / Posters: Aesthetics – Use Color & Uniqueness

Copyright characters are prohibited (except Elroy T. Elk). They will be disqualified.

DUE DATE:

Return all posters to your local Elks lodge **by March 1, 2010** – Contact local Lodge Chairman when completed.

WINNERS:

Your local Elks lodge will select the top essay, using the criteria listed above. The lodge will notify winners. Winning essays will be forwarded to District Competition. District winners will be forwarded to State Level Competition. All winning entries become the sole property of the BPOE, and may not be returned. State winner to be forwarded for the National level of competition for additional prizes.

State Awards:

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* The State Drug Awareness Chairman will choose one overall winner.

* This winning poster will be submitted for entry into the annual **National Elks Coloring Book.**

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Dear Participating Teacher,

I want to thank you for taking time to participate with your class in what we, the Elks, feel is a very important project, that of educating our children about Drug / Alcohol abuse.

It is our hope that by sponsoring this Poster & Essay contest we will help educate our 3rd, 4th, 5th (Poster) / and 6th, 7th, & 8th (Essay) grade students about Substance abuse among our Youth.

This sheet will serve as a report back to the Local Elks Lodge Chairman along with all posters to be submitted into the contest. Also, enclosed is an instruction sheet with rules for the contest.

Please introduce the contest to your class and complete it in any 15 day period between January 15 and March 1. The Lodge Chairman will pick up this report form and all posters on or before March 1, and will inform you of the winners and any prizes to be awarded by March 15th. Please call the Lodge Chair when contest has been completed, he/she will then pick them up from your school.

Again, thank you for your much needed cooperation, because without you there would not be a contest and we would miss an opportunity to further - **Drug Awareness Education to our Youth!**

Sincerely,

Carl Robinson State Chairman

LOCAL ELKS LODGE CHAIRMAN INFORMATION

LODGE NAME AND NUMBER: _____.

LODGE CHAIRMAN: _____.

LODGE ADDRESS: _____.

CHAIRMAN - EMAIL & PHONE: _____.



TEACHER REPORT TO LODGE CHAIRMAN

NUMBER OF STUDENTS & GRADE SUBMITTING POSTERS: _____.

PARTICIPATING SCHOOL: _____.

SCHOOL ADDRESS & PHONE: _____.

TEACHER/SCHOOL E-MAIL: _____.