



KSU Big Creek Middle Smoky Hill River Watersheds

## City of Hays & KSU Big Creek Middle Smoky Hill River Watersheds Water Conservation & Water Quality Poster Contest

- Poster contest is open to City of Hays Students Pre-Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup>, Fort Hays State University Students & NCK Tech Students. ***New in 2019: ADULT DIVISION!!!***

### 2019 Poster Contest Themes & Awards by Grade

Grade	Poster Theme	Awards
Pre-K-5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<b>‘Do Your Part...Be Water Smart!’</b>	Individual Grade Prizes 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Places \$50, \$30, \$20 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Grade Class Party
6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup>		Individual Grade Prizes 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Places \$50, \$30, \$20 Individual Overall Winners \$125, \$100, \$75
9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>		Individual Overall Winners 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Places \$250, \$150, \$100
FHSU Students NCK Tech Students		Individual Overall Winners 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Places \$250, \$150, \$100
Adults <i>(no professional artists)</i>		Individual Overall Winners 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Places \$250, \$150, \$100

- The 2019 Poster Theme is **‘Do your Part...Be Water Smart!’**
  - Posters can focus on Water Conservation and/or Water Quality issues. Students can opt for one of the topics or choose to include both conservation and quality issues. Poster can focus on water conservation in the Hays community and could include conservation efforts in the home, business, yard, garden, landscape, etc. Posters can also focus on pollutants in our water that are undesirable and create the potential for unsafe drinking water supplies. Those pollutants could include: sediment (soil); nitrogen; phosphorus; *E.coli* bacteria; household chemicals; vehicle fluids; etc.
  - If you are interested, we will present to your class/school to help students understand the topics. Please contact me at 785-769-3297 or by email [sedgett@ksu.edu](mailto:sedgett@ksu.edu) to set-up a time.

3. Poster shall be on suitable poster paper, 12 x 18 inches and arranged for **HORIZONTAL DISPLAY ONLY**. **The theme must be used as the title of the poster.** Poster shall not be mounted on other background material. Poster may be computer generated, in pencil, pastels, charcoal, pen, ink, paint, watercolor, crayon, cut paper, 3-dimensional, etc. *Poster paper and limited art supplies will be provided upon request including paper, markers, and colored pencils.* **Only one individual's name per poster will be accepted.**
  
4. Student name, age, grade, and teacher/professor and school will need to be written in pencil on the back of the poster in the lower left hand corner. Forms have been attached to print and have the students fill-out to put place on the back of the poster. Posters can be submitted directly without going through a classroom teacher as well.
  
5. **Deadlines & Dates to Remember:**
  - Posters due by Friday, March 8, 2019
    - Turned into school offices or directly to Minson
  - Winners announced by Friday, March 22, 2019
  - Awards at Sternberg Museum on Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm
  
6. Posters will be judged as follows:
  - Water Theme Message -----50%
  - Visual Effectiveness -----30%
  - Originality-----10%
  - Universal Appeal-----10%

For questions or more information, please contact Stacie Minson, KSU Watershed Specialist at 785-769-3297 (call or text) or [sedgett@ksu.edu](mailto:sedgett@ksu.edu)

## Previous Water Poster Winners printed on Past Placemats and distributed in local businesses

