Chemists Celebrate Earth Week (CCEW) 2020

“Protecting Our Planet Through Chemistry” Illustrated Poem Contest

The New York City Local Section of the American Chemical Society (ACS) is sponsoring an illustrated poem contest for students in Kindergarten through 12th grade.

Contest Deadline: April 4, 2020

Prizes: 1st Prize in each category receives a $20 gift certificate

Winners of the New York City Local Section’s Illustrated Poem Contest will advance to the ACS National Illustrated Poem Contest for a chance to be featured on the ACS website and to win prizes!

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Write and illustrate a poem using the CCEW theme, “Protecting Our Planet Through Chemistry.” Your poem must be no more than 40 words and in the following styles to be considered:

HAIKU - LIMERICK - ODE - ABC POEM - FREE VERSE - END RHYME - BLANK VERSE

Possible topics related to chemistry include:
Sustainability, recycling, conservation

Entries will be judged based upon:
Relevance to and incorporation of the CCEW theme, word choice and imagery, colorful artwork, adherence to poem style, originality and creativity and overall presentation

Contest Rules:

- All entries must be original works without aid from others.
- Poems maybe submitted by hand on an unlined sheet of paper not larger than 11” x 14” or scanned and sent via email.
- Illustrations may be created using crayons, watercolors, other types of paint, colored pencils, or markers. The illustration may also be electronically created by using a digital painting and drawing app on a computer, tablet or mobile device. The text of the poem should be easy to read and may be type before the hand-drawn or digital illustration is added or the poem may be written on lined paper, which is cut out and pasted onto the unlined paper with the illustration. No clipart or unoriginal images can be used.
- There will be 4 categories: Grades K-2, Grades 3-5, Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-12.
- Only one entry per student will be accepted. All entries must include an entry form. If the illustration is created using a digital painting or drawing app, the name of the program must be included on the entry form.
- All illustrated poems and/or digital representations of the poems become the property of the American Chemical Society.
- Acceptance of prizes constitutes consent to use winners’ names, likenesses, and entries for editorial, advertising, and publicity purposes.