

POSTER CONTESTS

Welcome to the official kickoff of the NACD 2024 Poster Contest with the theme “**MAY THE FOREST BE WITH YOU ALWAYS.**” Contest details and instructions will be available by the end of business on November 15, 2023.

The NACD Poster Contest provides students from kindergarten through 12th grade a chance to have their art displayed nationally. Winning posters reflect the annual NACD Stewardship theme and highlight the work of [conservation districts](#) and their associations in protecting and enhancing natural resources. The contest starts locally, advances to state levels, then national. National winners receive recognition at NACD’s annual meeting.

Empowering All Voices. New to 2024: Introducing the **NACD Braille Poster Contest**, a new addition inspired by a creative 6th-grade student from Tuscola Conservation District, Michigan. This inclusive competition invites blind and low-vision students in grades K-12 to participate, promoting accessibility and a fair experience. Contestants may use braille as well as written lettering and art to create posters that champion natural resource conservation, ensuring equal opportunities for all students, regardless of their visual abilities.

NACD is excited to announce a second addition for 2024: The **Additional Assist Poster Contest**. The Additional Assist Poster Contest is open to all students who may benefit from additional assistance in completing their posters. This contest promotes accessibility and embraces diversity by providing a platform for students of varying abilities to express their creativity and advocate for natural resource conservation.

All participants are encouraged to create posters that celebrate inclusivity and the importance of our natural resources.

- The contests welcome participation from students in public, private, and home-school settings.
- All submissions must originate from district-level competitions.
- In cases where residents are from non-participating districts, they should reach out to the [NACD Stewardship team](#) , and we will facilitate their connection with the state organizers.
- The national contest offers cash prizes to the top three posters in each category.
 - First-place \$200.00
 - Second-place \$150.00
 - Third-place \$100.00
- Submissions are accepted [here](#) from February 20 to December 1, 2024.
- Winners announced in February 2025 at NACD's Annual Meeting.
- For inquiries, please contact stewardship@nacdnet.org