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Students Asked to Submit Artwork for Earth Day 2008 Design

Charleston County Earth Day Festival 2008 scheduled for Saturday, April 19, at Park Circle in North Charleston

Charleston County Government is asking students in grades four through eight to submit artwork for the Charleston County Earth Day Festival 2008 design contest.

This year's theme is "Do Your Part; Be Earth Smart!" and that means preserving and protecting the Lowcountry environment, while focusing on litter control, recycling, energy and water conservation.

The winning design will be displayed on this year's Earth Day T-shirts and will be on the cover of the newspaper insert and other advertisements. The artwork will be framed and presented at the Charleston County Earth Day Festival on Saturday, April 19, at Park Circle in North Charleston. The winner will also be given a bag filled with recycled products.

The Charleston County Earth Day art contest is designed to highlight the creative talents of Charleston County students in grades four through eight, and to promote the Earth Day Festival 2008.

To accommodate more people, the festival will be held on the Saturday prior to the national Earth Day, which is Tuesday, April 22. Earth Day was established as a national holiday in 1970, and is now celebrated by over a half-billion people around the world.

Submission Rules

- Students submitting artwork for this contest must be residents of Charleston County and must be in grade levels four through eight.
- Only one entry can be submitted per student.
- Art entries must be submitted by 4 p.m. on Friday, March 21.
- Entries can be mailed or hand-delivered. Submit artwork to the Charleston County Recycling Center; Attn: Education Staff; 13 Romney Street; Charleston, SC 29403.
- Artwork submitted to this contest will become the property of Charleston County Solid Waste

Artwork Specifications

- The artwork must be the student's original work.
- The image created should convey the purpose of the Earth Day Festival and caring for and respecting the earth.
- 2-D images should not be larger than 8 1/2" x 11" in size. Any entries received that are larger than 8 1/2" x 11" will not be considered for the contest. Artwork can be in color or black and white.
- Students must attach a sheet of paper to their artwork indicating their name; address; city/state/zip; student's phone number; student/parent e-mail; school name; teacher's name;

teacher's e-mail; student's grade; and student's age. Attach this information to artwork. Students must provide all information requested, including home address and phone number.

For more information about this year's Charleston County Earth Day Festival or its art contest, call Charleston County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department at (843) 720-7111.

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