



Afterschool is Cool!

2024 Poster Contest

The purpose of the contest is to invite kids participating in Washington County afterschool programs to creatively share what they like best about their afterschool program.

Contest Rules

1. **PARTICIPANTS:** This poster contest is open to all students Kindergarten through 12th Grade participating in an afterschool program in Washington County.
2. **POSTER CONTENT:** Posters must be original work of the student and should highlight what the participant likes best about their afterschool program.
3. **ARTWORK RULES and CONDITIONS**
 - Artwork must be 28 inches high by 22 inches wide (the bottom should rest on the 22" side).
 - Do not mat or frame artwork. **Do not fold poster entry.**
 - Only one entry per student.
 - All final artwork must be the student's original creation. Duplications are not accepted.
 - All art media are accepted, collage and photography are acceptable. Note: Chalk, charcoal and pastel entries should be sealed with a fixative spray to prevent smearing. Do not laminate entries.
 - All artists' names should be printed on the registration form that should be attached to the **back** of the poster.
 - **A statement (title) is required about what the author likes best about their afterschool program.**
4. **REGISTRATION AND POSTER DELIVERY:** Deadline: registration forms and posters must be turned in to participant's afterschool program by Wednesday, January 31, 2024, to be considered for judging. The posters will be picked up by Washington County Kids representatives on Thursday, February 1, 2024.
5. **JUDGING:** Judging will be based on three evaluation criteria: *expression of the theme, artistic merit, and originality*. See the judging metric.
6. **AWARDS:** All art work will be displayed at the Walters Cultural Arts Center on February 6 from 6-8 pm. **Winners will be announced during the February 6th First Tuesday event at 6:30 pm.** A list of winners and pictures of the winning posters will be posted on the Washington County Kids website and social media. There will be two categories: 1. Elementary and 2. Middle/High School. The winners in each category will receive a Certificate of Achievement, \$100 gift card for first place, \$50 for second place, \$25 for third place.
7. **RETURN OF POSTERS:** Winning posters will be delivered to the winners' afterschool program for eventual return to the student.

Parents/guardians accept all responsibility for late, lost, misdirected or illegible entries. Washington County Kids, and the participating agencies, are not responsible for entries damaged, destroyed or lost during the judging process. Poster contest images cannot be used without written permission from Washington County Kids. In consideration of the opportunity to enter the poster contest, parents/guardians agree to allow Washington County Kids to use the names (first name and last initial) and photographs of the student for promotional and publicity purposes. By entering, parents/guardians agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the judges and Washington County Kids. Washington County Kids may cancel the contest without notice at any time. The contest is void where prohibited, taxed or restricted by law.