

## Dem-Con Recycling Poster Contest

### CONTEST RULES

**Deadline:** Posters must be received by Dem-Con Companies no later than **Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>** in honor of America Recycles Day. Winners will be announced in December 2018.

**Eligibility:** All students in Scott County public and private schools (including home schools) and youth organizations are eligible (Kindergarten-12<sup>th</sup> grade).

**Poster Requirements:** All posters must be the original artwork of the student. Copyrighted characters or copyrighted clipart will not be accepted. Each student may submit only one poster.

Materials: Students may use a variety of media, such as watercolor, pen and ink, crayon, chalk, colored pencil, marker, computer graphics, etc. Brighter colors will show up better when printed, and light pencil lines may not show up.

Size and Layout: Posters must be created on 11" x 17". Posters may be landscape or portrait orientation.

Release Form: **All posters must have the completed Release Form securely fastened to the back of the poster.** A poster not accompanied by a completed Release Form will not be eligible for judging. Release form is the last page in this packet.

Submitting Posters: Posters, with completed Release Forms, must be received by **November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

Send or deliver posters to:

Dem-Con Companies  
Attn: Jenny Potter  
13020 Dem-Con Drive  
Shakopee, MN 55379

Alternatively, you may call to schedule 1 pickup of completed posters per school. Call 952.224.7108 to schedule a pickup.

**Theme:** Students are encouraged to incorporate one of the following themes:

- **What Goes in the Bin**
- **Recycle the Right Way**

Information you can use to support your chosen theme:

**The top items to put in curbside recycling:**

- Steel & aluminum cans
- Newspaper & magazines
- Office paper & mail
- Cardboard
- Boxes: food, beverage, toiletries
- Glass jars & bottles
- Cartons

**The top items to never put in your curbside recycling:**

- Plastic bags
- Shredded paper
- Tanglers (hoses, extension cords, holiday lights, etc.)
- Diapers & pet waste
- Hazardous material (motor oil, propane tanks, etc.)
- Styrofoam packaging
- Egg or ice cream cartons
- Medical wastes (sharps, lancets, etc.)
- Scrap metal
- Ceramics, mirrors

**Judging Procedure:** The posters will be grouped into one of the following two categories:

- Elementary (Grades K-5)
- Secondary (Grades 6-12)

The best poster in each category will be selected based on the criteria listed below. One finalist will be awarded in each grade category; only finalists will be notified.

**Judging Criteria:**

1. Conveys a clear message through text and artwork.
2. Exhibits creativity, originality, and artistic quality.
3. Clearly addresses the student's selected theme.

**Prizes:** Each of the two winning posters will be professionally printed and distributed to Scott County Government buildings and businesses for display. Each winner will also receive a framed copy of his/her poster and a \$100 VISA gift card.

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## RELEASE FORM

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SECURELY FASTENED TO THE BACK OF EACH POSTER SUBMITTED.

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Grade** \_\_\_\_\_

**School/Organization** \_\_\_\_\_

**School/Organization Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**School/Organization Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip Code** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher/Contact Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher/Contact E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this poster was created entirely by the student above, is the student's original artwork, and includes no copyrighted characters. I agree that it may be offered for public display or publication at some time during or after the contest. I understand this poster becomes the property of Dem-Con Companies and may be reproduced without remuneration to the artist. The only information that will be released is the student's name, school, grade, and hometown.

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Signature of Student

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Print Name

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Date

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

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Print Name

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Date