### 2026 Conservation Poster Contest Guidelines

## "Soil. Where it all Begins"

#### **Details**

- Open to grades K-12; public, private or home school students
- Each poster must go through the following contest process: Local/County, Area, State, Nationals.
- The National Poster Contest theme is: "Soil. Where it all Begins"

#### **Contest Rules**

- Poster size must be 12" x 18" or 14" x 22".
- The 2026 National Contest Theme, "Soil. Where it all Begins" must be written on each poster.
- All posters shall be created by an individual student, rather than a team of students.
- Any media may be used: paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, stickers, paper or other materials on regular posters. (Computer-generated posters will not be accepted)
- To be eligible for judging, each entry must have a <u>completed and signed entry form attached to back.</u>

#### Posters Due to County

- Local entries due to:
- Phone:
- Address:

#### County Contest

- County:
- Date of County Contest:
- Location:
- 1st place from each division moves to Area

#### Area Contest

- Area:
- Date of Area Contest:
- Location:
- 1st place from each division moves to State

#### State Contest

- Posters Due: February 6, 2026
- Dates of State Contest: March 4-6, 2026
- WI Land+Water Annual Conference, Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells





## National Contest

- Submitted by December 1, 2026
- National Contest entries submitted by WI Land+Water



Soil.
Where it all Begins

Originality 10% Universal Appeal 10%

**Poster Evaluations** 

Conservation Message 50%

Visual Effectiveness 30%



Address

E-mail Address\_\_\_

# 2026 Conservation Awareness Poster Contest

NACO Stewardship Week 2006	County Entries Due:	_
	Middle Last	Please check appropriate grade level.
Address		Grades K-1
City	State Zip County	
Phone ()	E-mail	Grades 2-3
GradeAge	Parent/guardian name (printed)	Grades 4-6
		Grades 7-9
	of parent or guardian certifies that the information provided is accurate and vation departments, WI Land+Water, and NACD to utilize the photos for	Grades 10-12
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Public School	Private School Home School	Instruction
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	State WI Zip	National Association of Conservation Districts
E-mail address	Phone ()	Conservation Districts
COUNTY LAND/W	VATER CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT (to be filled out by local	l rep)
County		
Contact	Title	

\_\_\_\_State \_\_\_\_Zip\_\_\_

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