

In honor of Soil and Water Stewardship Week, the Skagit Conservation District's Annual Poster Contest provides kindergarten through twelfth grade students with an opportunity to share their thoughts about soil, water, and related natural resources. Stewardship Week helps to remind us all of the power each person has to conserve natural resources and improve the world.

Soil and Water Stewardship Week April 27—May 4, 2025

2025 POSTER THEME

Home is Where the Habitat is.

A habitat provides the essentials plants and animals need to survive, like food, water, shelter, and space. Protecting habitats helps maintain healthy ecosystems. You can support biodiversity by joining local clean-ups, planting native species, reducing waste, and learning more. Head to your local library and check out some books on habitats and conservation. Sharing what you discover can make an even bigger impact!

CONTEST RULES

- 1. The title "Home is Where the Habitat is" must be on the poster. (Don't use any other title or theme.)
- 2. Any media may be used to create a flat or twodimensional effect (paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, paper or other materials).
- 3. Poster size must be between 8.5"x 11" and 16"x 20".
- 4. All posters must have a completed entry form taped to the back of the poster. (NO staples please.)
- 5. All posters must be created by an individual student rather than a team of students.

POSTER EVALUATIONS

Posters entered into the Skagit Conservation District Poster Contest are reviewed by a panel of judges. Each judge has one of the following backgrounds: conservation, natural resources, art and/or education. The posters are evaluated on the following criteria:

> Conservation message—50% Visual effectiveness—30% Originality-10% Universal appeal—10%

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> All students who submit a poster for the contest will receive a certificate of participation.



st Awards will be presented to the winners of the following grade categories: K-1, 2-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12.

☆ In addition, an Overall Winner and Runner-up will be selected.

The Overall Winner will receive a **\$50.00** Tri Dee Arts gift card, an award plaque, and framing of his/her poster. *

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The title of "Home is Where the Habitat is" must be the only message on the poster.

Colors and white space to add emphasis and attract attention.

Large letters that can be read easily and words that are spaced apart so that the meaning is understood quickly.

Principles of good design.

Posters can be mailed to or dropped off at the **Skagit Conservation District** office located at:

2021 East College Way, Suite 203 Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Please call to make an appoint to drop off posters. no later than <u>Friday, March 28, 2025.</u>

If you need the posters to be picked up at your school, or if you have questions, please call Cindy Pierce at (360) 899-8729 or e-mail *cindy@skagitcd.org.*



Margins should be slightly larger at the top than the bottom and equal on the two sides.

Boldness

makes a difference.

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Plan

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Plain lettering is more readable than *fancy lettering*

Use guidelines

Pencil them in lightly at the beginning and erase when done.

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Posters must be received at the SCD office by 4:30 p.m., Friday, April 28, 2025. Posters must have an entry form attached when submitted. Please copy entry forms below.

2025 Entry Form Annual Conservation Poster Contest Sponsored by Skagit Conservation District				
STUDENT'S NAME				
FIRST:	MIDDLE:	LAST:		
school/program/homeschool:		GRADE:		
SCHOOL/PROGRAM/HOMESCHOOL ADDRESS:		SCHOOL/PROGRAM/HOME PHONE:		
TEACHER/PROGRAM/HOMESCHOOL CONTACT:				
Tape this form to the back of your poster and submit to the Skagit CD office - (360) 899-8729 by 4:30 p.m., March 28, 2025. <u>No staples please!</u>				

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