

Earth Day Fort Collins Art and Writing Contest for Students in Fort Collins 2019



Answer the Question: *“What Does Sustainability Mean to You?”*

Earth Day encourages and inspires community members to **honor the Earth EVERY DAY** and make efforts toward conservation and preservation of our wondrous planet for current and future generations. The goal of Earth Day is to inspire and motivate citizens to live more in balance with nature by conserving natural resources and leaving less of an impact on the earth.

We would like to invite any interested students to submit their poems, stories, art pieces or essays. All students of high school and middle school age are eligible to participate regardless of which school they attend, or if they are homeschooled or not currently enrolled.

Thank you in advance to any educators, parents, or friends out there who help spread the word. And thank you as well to any writers who embrace the challenge and submit their work. We look forward to seeing what you come up with! If you have any questions, please email Amy@SustainableLivingAssociation.org.

Rules:

1. Participants must be between the ages of 10 and 19.
2. Students may only submit one work per category (poetry, art piece, short stories, essays), but may submit work to as many categories as they like.
3. Submissions are due by 11:59pm on Monday, April 1st. Late submissions will not be considered.
4. Submissions must be submitted by email to amy@sustainablelivingassociation.org. Images of art pieces will be accepted via email.
5. The subject line of the submission email should include the student's name and the titles of their work(s).
6. The body of the email should include the following information:
 - a. Student's Name
 - b. Title and Category of Each Work Submitted
 - c. Grade Level
 - d. School if applicable
 - e. Phone Number
7. Submissions should be sent as attachments to the email. Each work should be attached separately. Please do not send one document with multiple works.
8. Submission file names should have only the work's title.
9. Each submission must have a title, category, and the student's grade level clearly stated within the document.
10. For the sake of anonymity during judging, the student's name should NOT appear within the document.
11. In order to allow students the most room for creative expression, we are NOT setting word or page limits.

Selection of Winners:

All submissions will be read by a panel of judges composed of volunteers, staff, and community members. One 1st Place winner will be selected from each of the three categories: poetry, short stories, and personal essays. Additionally, two runners-up will be chosen for each category.

Prizes:

Winners and runners-up will all be invited to attend Earth Day Fort Collins on Saturday, April 20th. All winners are invited to read their work at the event if they choose.

Additionally, all 1st Place winners will receive:

1. A prize basket
2. The opportunity to have their work (or an excerpt) printed on our website
3. The opportunity to read their work at Earth Day Fort Collins

Runners-up will receive:

1. The opportunity to have their work (or an excerpt) printed on our website
2. The opportunity to read their work at Earth Day Fort Collins