



Student Poster Contest

Rules:

1. Students must be creative in conveying **the Importance of Voting, Leadership and Civic Participation in a Democratic Society.** (See judging rubric for more specific content guidelines)
2. The poster size must be 8 1/2" x 11" on poster board, card stock or heavy paper.
3. There is no limit on the amount of colors or type of media used. Students are expected to use proper English. Spelling and punctuation count.
4. Each entry **MUST** be the sole product of the student's work. Any use of copyrighted material (text, images, photos, magazine or newspaper illustrations) **MUST** be properly cited. **NOTE:** Citations do NOT have to be clearly visible from three feet away.
5. A 3" x 5" card **MUST** be fastened to the back of each entry should include the student's name and complete contact information. This information includes:
 - a. Newspaper used to follow the story (either in-print or online)
 - b. Student's full name
 - c. Student's grade
 - d. School name (If home schooled type home)
 - e. School address (If home schooled provide home address)
 - f. Teacher's name
 - g. Teacher's email address or school phone number (to notify student winners)
6. Up to two top entries will be selected for each participating newspaper. There will be up to 6 regional winners from across the state. After state winners have been determined, the names of all winners will be announced via a press release to all daily newspapers across New York State. Judges' decisions are final.
7. Winners will be notified by phone or email through their school.
8. Employees of the local newspaper and their immediate family members are not eligible to win.
9. Students must be in grades 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8. All entries **MUST** include the above contact information.
10. All entries must be **received** by mail no later than Friday, May 8, 2015 to the following address: **NYNPA, VOTING Contest, 252 Hudson Avenue, Albany, NY 12210-1802.**
11. If you have any questions regarding this project please email Mary Miller at mmiller@nynpa.com or call 518-449-1667 x 701.