



2019 Hamilton County Severe Weather Awareness Week

March 17-23, 2019

4th Annual Poster Contest Information and Rules

~CONTEST ENTRY FORM~

All entries are due by Friday, March 15, 2019.

Name: _____ **Grade:** _____ **Age:** _____

Home Address: _____

Home City: _____ **ZIP:** _____

School: _____

School Address: _____

School City: _____ **ZIP:** _____

Teacher Name: _____

Teacher Email: _____

Parent Name: _____

Home/Cell Telephone: _____

Parent Email: _____



The purpose of the poster contest is to have students demonstrate through their artwork how people can protect themselves and others from the dangers and hazards that accompany severe weather in Hamilton County. These posters will be used as educational materials for community preparedness, so a focus on readiness to severe weather is key.

CONTEST RULES:

1. Entry is open to all Hamilton County elementary school students in GRADES 4 AND 5 in public, private, and charter schools, as well as any students being homeschooled.
2. Poster theme should illustrate what severe weather in Ohio means to the student and/or what actions to take to prepare and stay safe.
3. Creativity is key. Posters with stencils, traced, computer- generated or commercially manufactured stick-on lettering or images will be disqualified.
4. Poster should be no larger than 11”x14.” Those larger than the identified size may be disqualified.
5. Students should use only crayon, markers, colored pencils, or watercolor/acrylic paint.

THEMES: When creating your poster, please focus on one the following themes:

- Severe weather in Hamilton County
- Snow Emergencies
- Tornadoes
- Hail
- Flooding
- Importance of Siren/Warning Alerts
- Preparedness (kits, safety plans, emergency plans)
- Extreme Heat
- Pet Protection During Disasters

PRIZES

Chosen posters will be displayed around Hamilton County as a means of promoting awareness for severe weather and importance of preparedness. Additionally, the overall winning poster will be featured on the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency website and social media sites. Chosen artists will receive a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Director of the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, recognizing their proficiency and creativity in the area of severe weather and preparedness. Additional prizes to be disclosed at a later date.

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PARENT CONSENT FORM

Instructions: Parent and/or legal guardian, please read this consent form carefully. If you wish to give consent, please complete and sign this form and submit with the contest entry form. A form must be completed for each poster entry.

Please note that if submissions are not accompanied by properly completed and signed parental waiver and contest entry form, submissions will not be accepted by the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency.

I, _____, am the lawful custodial and/or non-custodial parent/legal guardian of _____. My child has my consent and permission to:

- Enter and participate in the 2019 Hamilton County Severe Weather Awareness Week Poster contest, sponsored by the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency.
- Allow the child’s likeness, name, age, grade level and school to be displayed along with their video in official Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency campaign.
- Participate in any media or promotional events, including any possible winner ceremonies, media interviews and publicity events related to the contest.

I understand that any personal information collected during the course of the 2019 Hamilton County Severe Weather Awareness Week Poster contest, sponsored by the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, will only be used for administering this competition, or as otherwise set out in the enclosed contest rules. Except where prohibited by law, participation in the contest constitutes the child’s and his or her parent’s/legal guardian’s consent to the storage, use and disclosure of the child’s entry details as set out in the enclosed contest rules.

I understand that upon submission, my child’s entry becomes the property of the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, and no submitted entries will be returned.

I, the Parent/Guardian and his or her successors and assigns, shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Hamilton County from and against any and all claims, actions, lawsuits, demands, liabilities, judgments, and costs of any nature whatsoever arising as a result of the child’s participation in this contest.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

The Contest Entry Form and Parent Consent Form must be printed, completed, signed and sent to the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency.

Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency

2000 Radcliff Drive

Cincinnati, OH 45204

Attn. Emily Johnson

Questions regarding the 2019 Severe Weather Awareness Week Poster Contest should be directed to:
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