

Exploring Pollinators Theme for Art Contest

The Pesticide Safety and Integrated Pest Management Program is hosting an insect-themed art contest for Kansas 4-Her's and art students. This year the artwork needs to fit into the contest theme of “Exploring Pollinators.” The goal is to explore what pollinators do and why they are important and create an art piece that captures that information. Selected artwork will be used to promote pollinator week (June 21-27, 2021) and create other educational items. The program encourages youth to get your creative hats on and create an entry before the April 16, 2021 deadline. Entries must feature an insect as the central focus of the art. More information on the rules and how to submit an entry can be found at: <https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/pesticides-ipm/> or you can e-mail fmiller@ksu.edu to have the rules e-mailed to you.

Age categories are as follows:

1. Kindergarten – 2nd grade (1st -3rd place)
2. 3rd grade – 5th grade (1st -3rd place)
3. 6th grade – 8th grade (1st -3rd place)
4. High School (1st -3rd place)

Rules:

- *Only one artwork per student per category.
- *A COMPLETED entry form must accompany all entries.

*Drawing must be on flat paper. It's not that we want to limit the creativity, but protruding parts will create challenges to get the artwork on the intended media.

*Entries must be the original work of the entrant – no traced or copyright protected images.

*Individual drawings and paintings must not be larger than “8.5 x 11”. Original entries will not be returned.

*Entries must feature an insect as the central point of focus that fits into the theme of the contest.

*The title, artist's name, 4-H club or school, grade and county must appear on the back lower right corner of the art. (You can cut out and use the label provided on the entry form.)

Submission deadlines:

Entries should be postmarked or be e-mailed by April 16, 2021.

Entries may either be received by mail or submitted electronically via e-mail. Students, parents, or teachers can scan the physical entry or take a quality photo and e-mail the file. Digital entries must abide by the contest rules and must include the entry form information. If you are e-mailing, please put in the subject line: Insect Art Contest, students name, and grade. The program may request the physical art if you are an award winner.

Mail entries to: Frannie Miller
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Scoring guidelines:

All entries will be judged according to their adherence to the contest theme and overall visual impact, originality, artistic skill, and effort level. We are looking for colorful and creative art that illustrates the importance of pollinators. Have fun!

