



It is time to register for the Conservation Poster Contest Sponsored by Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District

The Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) sponsors an annual poster contest for Cuyahoga County students in grades K-12. Awards will be given for 1st and 2nd place in the following grade categories: K-1, 2-3, 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12.

Theme: Crooked River - 50 Years of Progress

Contest rules:

- ☒ Any media may be used to create a flat or two-dimensional effect (paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, stickers, paper or other materials).
- ☒ Any type of or size of paper may be used, you can even reuse paper that has been used on one side. Any form of coloring, writing, or drawing may be used.
- ☒ Each student should put his/her name, grade, school or group, and teacher's or leader's name on the back of the poster.
- ☒ Answer these questions with the poster:
Question 1: What would the Cuyahoga River look like if we hadn't made rules and cleaned it up?
Question 2: What will it look like in the future if we work even harder to care for it?

Winning posters may be scanned into the computer and used in press releases and Cuyahoga SWCD promotional pieces. County winners will receive certificates of recognition at an awards ceremony. Their posters may be displayed at county-wide events and municipal meetings. All posters will automatically be forwarded on to the West Creek Conservancy, Xtinguish Celebration "Crooked Creations". You do not have to register separately for that program.

Evaluation criteria:

- 50% Conservation message (Uses Correct Theme)
- 30% Visual effectiveness
- 10% Universal Appeal
- 10% Originality

Judges will also evaluate posters on the following criteria:

- Has the theme been clearly addressed?
- Does the work demonstrate an understanding of the subject matter?
- Is the work neat, organized and grammatically correct?

Register your class by March 1st at www.cuyahogaswcd.org/events/2019/03/22/2019-poster-contest. Students begin posters on World Water Day, Friday, March 22nd. Posters must be turned in to the Cuyahoga SWCD office, 3311 Perkins Avenue, Cleveland, 44114 by **4:00 p.m. on Earth Day, Monday, April 22nd 2019**. If you have questions, please contact Jacki Zevenbergen at Cuyahoga SWCD, 216-524-6580 x 1006.

Resources

Crooked River - 50 Years of Progress

Videos:

When Dr. Seuss' The Lorax was first published in 1971, Lake Erie was in a sad state <https://www.facebook.com/ClevelandMetroparks/videos/10153655693173603/?v=10153655693173603>

The Cuyahoga River Fire: "Don't Fall in the River" <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nlHiaZFvcXA>

Cuyahoga River Pollution Ohio 1967 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jxV6BbREfY>

Cuyahoga River Restoration <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tZA9OX2joUc>

Roll On Cuyahoga -- Cuyahoga River Water Trail 2013 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CJHgP3h8wq4>

Celebrating the Comeback of the Burning River, 1969-2019 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=18JpT61rX6A&t=88s>

How the Cuyahoga River Fire Saved the World <https://www.pbs.org/video/city-club-forum-how-cuyahoga-river-fire-saved-world/>

Cuyahoga - R.E.M. (1986) HD FLAC <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XdC6thlCAII>

This is Cleveland – Burn On <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uMCtTnFEujU>

Print:

<http://time.com/3921976/cuyahoga-fire/>

<https://www.nps.gov/cuva/planyourvisit/upload/CuyahogaRiver6%20final.pdf>

http://blog.cleveland.com/metro/2009/01/after_the_flames_the_story_beh.html

<http://cuyahogariver.org/the-cuyahoga.html>

<https://www.pbs.org/now/science/cleanwater.html>

<http://cuyahogariver.net/resources/facts/>

Find your watershed at: <http://centrallakeerie.org/>

All shades of blue are part of the Cuyahoga River Watershed