2014 Fifth Grade National Poster Contest

With spring around the corner it is a great opportunity to get our fifth grade students thinking about the bicycle as a way of getting places (for fun or for transportation). Ask each student to create a poster that reveals his or her understanding of the many different values of bicycling (it is fun, healthy and green). Students should make sure their poster follows the contest rules by using the checklist below.

Contest Rules

1. Only one winner from each school will be eligible to compete in the State contest.
2. Entry must be original artwork created by a student who is currently in the fifth grade. A student may enter the contest only once.
3. The student’s first and last name must be written or signed in the lower right-hand corner on the back of the poster.
4. Design:
   a) Poster may be done in marker, crayon, paint pens, watercolor, ink, acrylic, colored pencil, and/or tempera paint.
   b) Collages are not acceptable. (Do not glue anything on your poster).
   c) Computer or photo generated art and/or printing is not acceptable.
   d) Entries should not display the names of commercial products, companies or organizations.
5. Entry must be no smaller than 8½ x 11” and no larger than 14 x 18”.
6. Entry must be done on paper that will allow for duplication, display and framing.
7. The quote "Nothing compares to the simple pleasure of a bike ride." - John F. Kennedy, must be on the poster. All words must be spelled correctly.
8. Entry should not be matted, mounted, laminated, framed or folded. Poster may be rolled and mailed in a mailing tube.
9. Submit entry by March 7th to your state coordinator.
10. A completed **Permission Slip** must be attached to the back of the winning poster.

As a result of this activity, students should develop an understanding of:

- Designing a product in light of information given.
- Explore the causes, consequences and possible solutions to persistent, contemporary and emerging issues.
- How to act on personal and social issues, develop decision-making skills, and provide them with a foundation on which to base decisions they will face as citizens.

Submit entry by March 7th. We will accept one poster per school. Please send the winning poster to your state contest coordinator. You can find your coordinator at sarispostercontest.com or by contacting Robert Williams (robert.j.williams@vdot.virginia.gov or 804-371-4868)

The National winner will be selected with the help of the public through Facebook online voting April 10th - April 15th. Our National Winner will be announced on the Saris website on April 17th.

Prizes

**One National Winner**

In addition to a bike, light and a helmet one National winner will receive a three day/two night trip for two (parent or guardian and child) to Washington DC during the 2015 National Bike Summit (airfare, $200 food stipend, and lodging included).

National winning school will receive bike parking for 20 bikes and The Hub System. The Hub is an active transportation tracking system. The Hub makes it easy, fun, and educational for a school to implement a walking & biking incentive program.

**Each state will have the following winners:**

- **First Place**
  - Bicycle
  - Helmet
  - Light
- **Second Place**
  - Helmet
  - Light
- **Third Place**
  - Helmet

Resources for teachers:
- www.saferoutesinfo.org
- www.bikeleague.org
- www.peopleforbikes.org
- www.bikesbelong.org

Download all documents at sarispostercontest.com