

# 2013 Playground Safety Poster Contest

## Poster Contest Rules

1. The contest is open to all Oklahoma elementary age children in grades 1 through 6. Posters will be received from public and private schools, home schools and recreation centers. Posters will be judged in the following grade categories:
  - Group 1 = 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades
  - Group 2 = 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades
  - Group 3 = 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades
2. The poster theme must be related to playground safety in a positive approach and include the words **Playground Safety** in the design and be the original concept of the student.
3. Posters should not contain likenesses of copyrighted, trademarked, syndicated, or clip art images. Any poster containing such image(s) cannot be selected as the winner of a monetary prize or be included in the Playground Safety Calendar.
4. Entries must be done in marker, crayon, watercolor, ink, acrylic, colored pencil or tempura paint. Computer generated art or computer generated printing is not acceptable.
5. Posters **must** be submitted only on 11x17 poster board or some other rigid paper product.
6. On the back of each poster, attach a completed entry form in the upper right corner. Please legibly print in ink or type on the entry form. The entry form can be found on the Oklahoma Department of Labor's website at [www.labor.ok.gov/odol/documents/2013playgroundcontestform](http://www.labor.ok.gov/odol/documents/2013playgroundcontestform).
7. Entries should not be matted, mounted, laminated, framed, folded or rolled.
8. Posters must be the work of the student. Parents and teachers may provide consultation and guidance, but all drawing, lettering and preparation must be the work of the student.
9. Judging:
  - a. Each participating school or recreation center should establish a panel of judges for local selection of the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner for each of the three categories.
  - b. **ONLY** the 1<sup>st</sup> place poster from each grade category is to be mailed to the Oklahoma Department of Labor, 3017 N Stiles, Suite 100 Oklahoma City, OK 73105, for inclusion in the final statewide competition. Posters must be received no later than the close of business March 8, 2013 to be eligible for consideration.
  - c. The statewide panel of judges will consist of three people:
    1. One representative of the Department of Labor
    2. One representative of the Department of Education
    3. One representative of the Oklahoma Recreation and Park Society
  - d. Posters submitted for inclusion in the statewide competition will only be returned to the winners that attend the presentation at the state capitol.
  - e. Posters are judged based upon several elements including artistic talent displayed, overall theme, relevance to playground safety, and reproducibility of the poster into the calendar.
10. Winning posters will be announced no later than Friday, April 12, 2013.
11. Winners of the statewide competition will receive a cash prize:
  - \$500 for the overall winner
  - \$300 for the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner in each age category
  - \$200 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner in each age category
  - \$100 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner in each age category
12. Contest rules and prizes may be changed and/or updated at any time.

All cash prizes are provided by the Oklahoma Recreation and Park Society.

## Contact Information

For further information contact Andrea Weig, Oklahoma Department of Labor, telephone 405-521-6110 or toll-free 888-269-5353; Vivian Baber, Oklahoma Department of Education, 405-522-2232; Ms. Patty Dixon, Oklahoma Recreation & Park Society, 918-245-5756.



### Poster Contest Dates

**Friday, March 8, 2013**

Poster submission deadline to Oklahoma Department of Labor, Oklahoma City Office

**Friday, April 12, 2013**

Poster Contest Winners Announced

**Tuesday, April 23, 2013**

National Playground Safety Week  
Poster Winners Attend State Capitol Presentation

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