

2019 Poster Contest

The Cause: Radon

Radon is a colorless, odorless, tasteless, naturally occurring radioactive gas that comes from the soil. Radon seeps into homes from the ground, collects inside the home, and then is inhaled by the residents. The U.S. Surgeon General states that it is the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers in the United States. Testing for radon is the only way to detect the level of radon present inside the home.

The Goal: Raise Awareness

By raising awareness of the harmful effects of radon, the number of homes with high levels of radon can decrease. This contest is designed to raise awareness about radon testing and mitigation, and to inform the public of the dangers of long-term exposure to elevated indoor radon gas.

The Participation: Far-reaching

Schools from all 50 states, U.S. territories, tribal nations, and the Department of Defense (DoD) are encouraged to participate in the national radon poster contest. Judges will select winners and runners-up in each state, territory, tribal nation, and DoD Schools. The winning posters will then be entered into the national contest.



Contest Calendar

- 2019 Contest opens May 1, 2018 and closes November 1, 2018
- Scheduled national winner announcement date is December 31, 2018
- Winners will be notified of Award Ceremony date

Choose from the following Poster Topics:

- What is radon?
- Where does radon come from?
- How does radon get into our homes?
- Radon can cause lung cancer.
- Test your home for radon, save a life.

Judging Criteria:

- Content accuracy on radon
- Visual communication of topic
- Easily reproduced (large letters, good contrast)
- Originality
- No grammatical and/or typographical errors

Contact:

Florida Radon Program
800-543-8279

<http://radon.floridahealth.gov>

Artwork Requirements

- Be an original piece of art by students 10-14 years old
- Must not have student's name on the front
- Should include a title on the front
- Topic and title must be on the Artwork Submission Form
- Paper sizes from 12 x 18 and 8.5 x 11 are preferred, but all submissions will be accepted
- Can be created with crayon, markers, paint (watercolor, tempera, acrylic), collage, photographs, or computer graphics
- Messages should be short, accurate, and without grammatical and/or typographical errors
- Lettering should be large enough to reproduce and all pencil markings (if any) should be erased
- Copyrighted characters, product logos, and trademarked or brand names are prohibited



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