

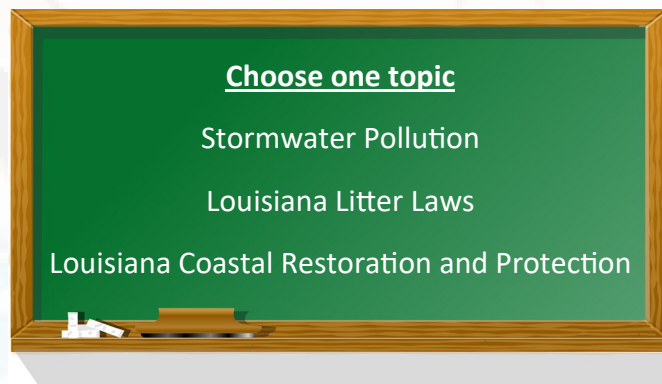


The Environmental Affairs Committee of the Chamber Southwest Louisiana 2018 Poster Contest held in sequence with the 2018 Regional Science Fair

**Want to make a difference? Want to impact your
community? Want to win prizes while doing both?**



Do your part to help improve the environment
around you by creating community awareness and
taking steps to help protect and preserve its natural
existence.



*Participate through your school or contact the SWLA
Alliance where posters can be delivered by 4 p.m. on
Monday, January 8th 2018. If you want to get a head
start, more information and details can be found at:*

<http://www.lasciencefair.org/Forms/2018Poster.pdf>

**You can win prizes and get recognition for your work! First, second and third place
winners in each category will receive a plaque AND receive a gift card. Everyone
wins when we work together to improve our environment.**

**You can participate if you
are in one of these groups:**

Group 1 = Grades 3-5

Group 2 = Grades 6-8

And the winner is...



Teachers:

Class projects generate more enthusiasm and create greater public awareness.

If your student is selected as a 1st prize winner, you will receive a **\$50 gift card**.

Prizes in each group:

1st Place = \$50 gift card

2nd Place = \$25 gift card

3rd Place = \$10 gift card





About the Chamber Southwest

The mission of the Chamber Southwest is to develop Southwest Louisiana by creating economic opportunity, and demanding responsible government and quality education. The Chamber serves the parishes of Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron and Jefferson Davis. Our objective is to expand the service area to coincide with economic growth, the availability of organization resources and the interest of other adjacent areas. Simply put, a chamber of commerce is a group of businesses that have banded together to solve problems that a single business could not solve on its own. The Chamber SWLA has over 1,500 members representing a wide range of small and large businesses and professions. The Chamber SWLA is located in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

About the Environmental Affairs Committee

VISION: Increase environmental awareness in Southwest Louisiana

MISSION: The Environmental Affairs Committee explores the environmental issues that may impact business opportunities in Southwest Louisiana. It supports the development and implementation of environmental programming. The committee also educates the public and business community about those issues.

Issues:

Ozone/Environmental Justice

Environmental Economy

Waste Water

Water Resources

Coastal

Industrial Affairs

School Involvement

Litter/Team Green

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The following are websites to help you with your research:

Litter

<http://keeplouisianabeautiful.org/tools-resources/>

<http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/littering-enforcement>

http://www.seagrantfish.lsu.edu/resources/factsheets/litter_mess.htm

<http://www.greenecoservices.com/littering-facts-and-statistics/>

Coastal Restoration and Protection

<http://www.cpcrpa.org>

<http://lacoast.gov/new/default.aspx>

www.edf.org/media/opening-hurricane-season-timely-reminder-urgent-need-coastal-restoration

<http://www.noaa.gov/post/overlooked-and-forgotten-resolute-10-years-after-hurricane-rita>

http://www.srh.noaa.gov/lch/?n=rita_main

<http://www.crcl.org/>

<http://coastal.la.gov/>

Stormwater Pollution

<https://www.epa.gov/nutrientpollution/sources-and-solutions-stormwater>

<https://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/education/kids/stormwater.php>

<http://eschooltoday.com/pollution/water-pollution/important-water-pollution-facts.html>

<http://www.cppj.net/services/planning-development/stormwater>



Teachers,

Please take the following instructions and modify them to make them appropriate for the grade level that you teach.

The Environmental Affairs Committee of the Chamber Southwest is inviting your students to participate in a poster contest to be judged at the Regional Science Fair in Lake Charles. Students do not have to be present at the Science Fair to enter or win. The poster contest is related to the goals of the committee which are associated with improving environmental conditions related to a number of topics. This year, we are focusing our poster contest on three issues that are important to our area: Louisiana Litter Laws, Stormwater Pollution, and Louisiana Coastal Restoration and Protection.

Have your students select one of the three topics listed above and create a poster that:

1. Defines and introduces a challenge associated with the topic.
2. Presents ways in which individuals can improve the situation.
3. States at least one thing that each student, personally, will do to improve the situation.

Your students are free to choose the method or methods that they use to define, introduce, explain, demonstrate, and depict their thoughts and messages. They may use words, drawings, charts, and graphs created with markers, pencil colors, and/or crayons. Photographs, computer generated and photo shopped entries are allowed. Mixed media and 3-D is not allowed. **Only 2-D entries on 8.5" x 11" white cardstock/poster with no lines are allowed.**

Winning posters are selected from entries free of spelling errors and meet all guidelines stated. Only one entry per person. No group entries are allowed. Complete the attached entry form and tape (do not staple) it to the back of the poster.

Plaques will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place Winners in each of the three following groups:

Group 1 = Grades 3-5

Group 2 = Grades 6-8

If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you.

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**Environmental Affairs Committee
Poster Contest
Entry Form**

There should be one entry form filled out per student. Please ensure that the form is filled out completely and legibly. All entries (entry form and artwork) must be submitted to SWLA Alliance 4310 Ryan St Lake Charles no later than **Monday January 8th**.

Student First and Last Name: _____

Grade Level: _____ Topic: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

School Name (or home school): _____

School Address: _____

School/Teacher Phone #: _____

Teacher Email Address: _____

Please ensure accuracy as this information will be used to contact winners.

Parent Name: _____

Parent Address: _____

Parent Phone #: _____

Parent Email Address: _____

Artwork Description:

Art Medium Used (e.g., colored pencils, crayon, and paint): _____

Description (75 words max; please print legibly) – How does your topic impact our environment and Louisiana and what will you do to make a difference?

PLEASE READ

Submission of this entry implies permission to use the student's name (first name and last initial) in materials announcing results of the contest and in any artwork in local publications and websites.

☐ Check here if you **do not permit** use of the student's name (first names and last initials) and school in the above mentioned items.

***Entries will not be returned, however they may be picked up
before March 1, 2018**