



Recycled Art Contest For Grades K – 12

“Be a Recycling Superhero”

Contest Rules

Keep Allen Beautiful is sponsoring a Recycled Art Contest themed, “Be a Recycling Superhero!” Because of continued COVID-19 concerns, this year we will be conducting a virtual contest. Since it is virtual, we will include all students in K – 12 enrolled in the Allen ISD, PLUS homeschooled students who reside within the city limits of Allen, AND students who are enrolled in the Plano ISD or Lovejoy ISD who reside within the city limits of Allen.

- For grades K – 8, students must participate as individuals, not work in groups. **One entry per student.**
- For grades 9 – 12, students may participate as individuals and/or as part of a group. **One entry per individual student and one entry per group.**
- Students’ names must not be visible on the front of their artwork.
- **An entry form must be completed and submitted with the artwork.**
- Take a clear picture of the artwork and submit it to the email listed below. If submitting pictures of sculptures, take at least two pictures from different angles.
- Pictures of the artwork and entry form should be submitted to ContestKAB@gmail.com no later than **5 pm on October 22, 2021**. The artwork will be displayed online from November 1 – 6, 2021.
- Artwork will be judged by Keep Allen Beautiful Board Members, along with select City Staff. The top 3 winners in each grade category will be recognized during a virtual awards ceremony at 1 pm on November 6, 2021. Winners will be notified through the email provided on the entry forms.
- Artwork may also be judged by friends and family for “Most Popular” in the combined categories of K – 4, 5 – 8, and 9 – 12. Judging may be done online from November 1 – 4, 2021. The “Most Popular” winners will also be recognized at the virtual awards ceremony and will receive a certificate.
- Additional contest rules are included in the descriptions below by grade.

Grades K – 1 Prizes – Gift Cards per grade of \$10 (3rd Place), \$15 (2nd Place), and \$20 (3rd Place)

- Students in Grade 1 – 2 will color a picture provided by Keep Allen Beautiful with a choice of a boy or a girl superhero. They should think about the litter they see on the ground or in the waterways and be aware that litter may consist of not just trash that should have been put in the trash can, but also items that could have been recycled. **They may not glue anything to the page.** They may use crayons, markers, or colored pencils.
- Judging criteria will include:
 - 25% Creative Use of Color
 - 25% Neatness
 - 25% Reflecting the Theme including items found in the City’s Recycling Program
 - 25% Overall Presentation and Aesthetics

Grade 2 - 4: Prizes – Gift Cards per grade of \$10 (3rd Place), \$15 (2nd Place), and \$20 (3rd Place)

- Students in Grade 2 – 4 will create/draw a picture on an 8 ½” x 11” sheet of paper with the theme in mind of “Be a Recycling Superhero!” They should also use as inspiration items that can be found in the City’s Recycling Program. They should review the left side of Page 9 in the City’s Trash & Recycling Guidelines. They should think about the litter they see on the ground or in the waterways and be aware that litter may consist of not just trash that should have been put in the trash can, but also items that could have been recycled. **They may not glue anything to the page, but instead must draw pictures and words.** They may use crayons, markers, or colored pencils.
- Judging criteria will include:
 - 25% Creative Use of Color
 - 25% Neatness
 - 25% Reflecting the Theme including items found in the City’s Recycling Program
 - 25% Overall Presentation and Aesthetics

Grade 5 – 8: Prizes – Gift Cards per grade of \$10 (3rd Place), \$15 (2nd Place), and \$20 (3rd Place)

- Students in Grades 5 – 8 should create a sculpture utilizing materials found as litter in and around Allen that should have been recycled in the City’s Recycling Program instead of thrown on the ground or in the waterways. **Do not use trash, only recycling.** They should review the left side of Page 9 in the City’s Trash & Recycling Guidelines. **They may also use materials from their home recycling carts.** Please do not purchase “new” material at the store unless it is a poster board or foam board to use as a base for the sculpture. Sculpture should be no larger than 15” x 15” x 25”, approximately the size of a small recycle bin. Students may use glue, wire, tape, twine or string, or any other adhesive method to create their sculpture. If using paper mache, it is difficult to determine what recycled materials are used in the construction of the structure. For paper mache only, students must list all of the recycled materials used on the Entry Form. Remember that 25% of the judging is based on the creative use of recycled materials, so the more you incorporate the better.
- Judging criteria will include:
 - 25% Creative Use of Recycled Materials
 - 25% Reflecting the Theme of “Be a Recycling Superhero!”
 - 25% Craftsmanship

- 25% Overall Presentation and Aesthetics

Grades 9 – 12: Individual Prizes with grades combined: Gift Cards of \$20 (3rd Place), \$35 (2nd Place), \$50 (1st Place); Group Prizes: Only One Group Winner with prize value of up to \$10 per student in the group. Prize to be determined with input from teacher and winning students.

- Students in Grades 9 – 12 may submit work as individuals and/or in groups. Be sure to list all names on the entry form.
 - **Option 1:** Students may create a sculpture of materials found as litter in and around Allen that should have been recycled in the City’s Recycling Program instead of thrown on the ground or in the waterways. **Do not use trash, only recycling.** They should review the left side of Page 9 in the City’s Trash & Recycling Guidelines. **They may also use materials from their home recycling carts.** Please do not purchase “new” material at the store unless it is a poster board or foam board to use as a base for the sculpture. Sculpture should be no larger than 15” x 15” x 25”, approximately the size of a small recycle bin. Students may use glue, wire, tape, twine or string, or any other adhesive method to create their sculpture.
 - **Option 2:** Students may create a drawing OR composite visual art of litter, with emphasis on litter that should have been recycled in the City’s Recycling Program, no smaller than 8 ½” x 11” and no larger than 18” x 24”. Students may use colored pencils, charcoal, crayons, paint or markers for the poster. If composite visual art, at least 60% must be original, hand-drawn/painted art and up to 40% may be from composite materials such as recyclables (including cartons). Students may use glue, wire, tape, twine or string, or any other adhesive method to create their artwork.
- Judging Criteria will include:
 - 25% Creative Use or Representation of Recycled Materials
 - 25% Reflecting the Theme of “Be a Recycling Superhero!”
 - 25% Craftsmanship for Sculpture OR Creative Use of Color for Drawings
 - 25% Overall Presentation and Aesthetics

If you have questions, please contact Andrea Smith, Education Specialist, City of Allen, asmith@cityofallen.org or 214.509.4552.

Recycled Art Contest Entry Form	
Student Name(s)	
School/Homeschool	
Grade	
Art Teacher (if applicable) Name & Email	
Parent Email (or Student if in Grades 9 – 12)	
Parent Phone # (or Student if in Grades 9 – 12)	
If Paper Mache (Grades 5 – 8) list recycled materials used	