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36th Annual Houston Fire Prevention Poster Contest

October is National Fire Prevention Month! The Houston Fire Museum, in cooperation with the Houston Fire Department and the Independent Insurance Agents of Houston and The Greensheet, invites students to use their artistic ability to help spread fire prevention messages. This contest is open to all Houston and surrounding area elementary, middle, and high school students. Winning posters will be displayed at “*FireFest*” on Saturday, October 9 at the HFD’s Jahnke Training Academy at 8030 Braniff Street near Hobby Airport. An awards ceremony recognizing the winning posters and their artists will be held at on October 20th at the Houston Fire Museum, 2403 Milam Street, near downtown.

Contest winners in each grade level will be presented with award ribbons for first, second and third place. Grand prize winners will receive ribbons and cash prizes as shown below. Images of grand prize winning posters will be posted on the museum’s website, houstonfiremuseum.org, through the end of the year.

Overall Grand Prize Winners (judged from the winners in each grade level)

1st place \$300 Cash Prize

2nd place \$200 Cash Prize

3rd place \$100 Cash Prize

In addition, the school attended by the first place winner will receive \$500 to be used for educational materials and art supplies.

Each Grand Prize winner also will ride on a fire truck in the annual H.E.B. Thanksgiving Day Parade.

All posters must be delivered to “Houston Fire Museum, 2403 Milam Street, Houston, Texas, 77006,” no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, September 17, 2010. Posters may be mailed or hand-delivered. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Winning students, or their teachers, will be notified by 4 p.m. on September 24th.

36th Annual Houston Fire Prevention Poster Contest Contest Rules

1. Each poster must contain a message (or theme) about Fire Safety or Fire Prevention
2. One Registration Form must be taped to the back of each submitted poster. Please print all information. If additional forms are needed, simply make copies.
3. All posters must be in landscape format, 12” high by 18”wide. All other sizes will be disqualified.
4. Media may include: charcoal, colored pencils, ink, acrylic, oil, watercolor, crayons, No collages or computer graphics will be accepted. Artwork must be on Tag board, Poster board, Card board, or Paper only. No “add-on” items such as mirrors, glass, glitter, matches, or any other materials affixed will be accepted.
5. Judging will take place September 22nd and winners will be contacted by September 24th. The judging criteria are: Clarity and readability of work, Presentation of the “fire prevention and fire safety” theme, Neatness, Creativity, Originality, and Boldness of Design.
6. Each poster must be created by and credited to a single student. Do not submit “class-project” posters.
7. It is strongly urged that posters be hand delivered to the museum as mailed posters may become damaged or bent which will affect the judging criteria.
8. All winning entries become the permanent property of the Houston Fire Museum, Inc. and will not be returned. Teachers may pick up the remaining posters.
9. For any other information, call the museum at 713-524-2526, or visit the museum’s website at www.houstonfiremuseum.org.

Detach here and attach completed form from below to back of each poster submitted.

The 36th Annual Houston Fire Prevention Poster Contest
REGISTRATION FORM
(One completed form must be taped to back of each poster submitted)

Please Print Clearly

Student Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____
Student Home Phone: _____
Teacher Name: _____ Principal Name: _____
School Name: _____ School District: _____
School Address: _____
City: _____ Zip: _____ School Phone: _____
Teacher’s Contact Phone: _____

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