



Happy 150th Birthday to Arbor Day! Poster Contest



We are excited to invite Arizona youth in grades K-12 to participate in our 2022 Arbor Day poster contest! This year's contest is intended to celebrate the achievements of this national holiday as we look forward to the future of healthy trees in our communities.

Birthdays are an exciting celebration for everyone. They provide an opportunity to reflect on how you've grown, and make a wish for what you want to do next. A lot can happen in 150 years! Did you know that many species of trees can live longer than that, with the oldest tree in the world being over 5,000 years old?

Arbor Day was first celebrated in 1872 and it is estimated that more than 1 million trees were planted that day. What do you think those trees have accomplished, what have they learned, and what will they wish for this year?

Trees are wise members of our communities and we want to highlight this milestone date with your unique and beautiful artwork! Prizes will be awarded and mailed out to the top three winners in four age group categories.

Rules:

Entry Deadline: Entries must be postmarked by Monday, March 7th. Winners will be notified by April 12th.

Completed Posters should be mailed to:
UCF Poster Contest
Department of Forestry and Fire Management
1110 West Washington Street, Ste. 500
Phoenix AZ 85007

Theme: Happy 150th Birthday to Arbor Day!

Eligible Participants: Arizona youth, grades K-12. Posters will be judged based on grade level, and prizes will be awarded to the top three posters in each group (K-12, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12) and to the teachers of First Place winners in each group.

Poster Size: Maximum of 12" x 16"; there is no minimum size. Only one (1) poster per participant may be submitted.

Total # of Posters: **Teachers:** If you have a high number of posters (e.g. more than 50), please select only the top posters that fit the theme of the contest for submission.

- Posters will be judged on originality, design, slogan, artwork, and relationship shown between individuals, communities and trees. Any slogans should be clear, brief, and positive.
- Artwork should be original and wording may be computer-generated or hand-written. Organization/agency logos and copyright characters may not be used. Posters become the property of the Department of Forest and Fire Management and will not be returned. Posters may be used for publicity purposes.
- Any media may be used – paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, stickers, paper, digital or other materials that lie flat and can travel through the mail without damage.
- **In order to be eligible, the following information must be legibly written or typed on the back of the poster: Participant's name, grade, age, school, school phone number, school address, teacher's name, teacher's email. If you are doing school at home, provide home email and address. If posters are missing information, they cannot be judged.**
- Parents and teachers are encouraged to do their own research on the history of Arbor Day and lifecycle of trees to share their findings with the youth participating in the poster contest.
- Winners from previous Arbor Day Poster Contests are not eligible to win first place more than once, but are encouraged to participate.

