



National Chemistry Week Poster Contest



As part of the National Chemistry Week (NCW) 2007 celebration and in recognition of the 20th anniversary of the program, the American Chemical Society (ACS) is sponsoring a poster contest for students in Kindergarten – Grade 12.

Students are invited to create a poster that celebrates the theme “The Many Faces of Chemistry”. The poster should be fun, motivational and inspire students to pursue a science/chemistry-related career.

Consider how science/chemistry is used by people in different careers.

- Photographer: chemistry’s role in developing film and making prints
- Artist: the chemistry of the materials used to paint, draw or sculpt
- Veterinarian: understanding what medicines can be given to pets
- Crime Scene Investigator: investigating crimes with chemical tests

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First and second place in each of the following grade categories:

- K – 2nd
- 3rd – 4th
- 5th – 8th
- 9th – 12th

1st Place: \$250

2nd Place: \$150

There are also prizes for teachers of winning students, which will include a *Periodic Table of the Elephants* poster!

EDUCATORS: Find additional ideas about careers in chemistry, resources for students and easy ways to celebrate at chemistry.org/ncw.

For additional information about the contest, contact the American Chemical Society, Office of Community Activities at 800-227-5558, ext. 6097 or email ncw@acs.org.



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Contest Rules:

- All entries must be original works without aid from others.
- Posters must be no larger than 14 x 22 inches.
- Entries on foam board will not be accepted.
- Entries must be hand-drawn using crayons, paint, colored pencils or markers.
- Posters must be sent to the ACS Local Section NCW Coordinator. Contact the coordinator in your area via the "Coordinator Lookup" at chemistryweek.org. NOTE: Posters received directly from schools/students will not be eligible for the contest.
- Posters must be submitted to NCW Coordinators in time for the local contest (**deadlines will vary**).
- All entries **must** have the following information included on the back of the poster: student's name, grade, name of school, school address, teacher's name, school telephone number, student/teacher email address. Home schooled students are eligible for the contest and should include the name of any homeschool group with which they are associated.
- Entries lacking complete and legible information will be disqualified.

Coordinator Information:

- NCW Coordinators determine how many entries per school will be accepted into the local contest.
- Only one entry per category may be entered into the national contest by each NCW Coordinator (entries from areas not covered by any ACS Local Section's territory will be handled on a case-by-case basis).
- The following information must be included on the back of each entry: ACS Local Section name, NCW Coordinator name, phone and email.
- NCW Coordinators are encouraged to judge the posters during NCW, October 21-27, and one winning entry per category should be received by the ACS in Washington, DC on or **before Friday, November 2, 2007**. Winners will be announced on our website and via email announcement the following week.
- ACS is not responsible for lost, damaged, or delayed postal shipments.
- All posters become the property of the American Chemical Society.
- Acceptance of prizes constitutes consent to use winners' names and entries for editorial, advertising and publicity purposes.

Judging:

Entries will be evaluated based on the following:

1. **Artistic Merit** (use of color, quality of drawing, poster design & layout)
2. **Poster Message** (should be fun, motivational and inspire students to pursue a career with emphasis on the chemistry in the career)
3. **Originality and Creativity** (unique, clever and/or creative design)
4. **Neatness** (free of spelling and grammatical errors and/or stray marks)

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