

AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY
Cincinnati Section



2008 NATIONAL CHEMISTRY WEEK

“HAVING A BALL WITH CHEMISTRY” POSTER CONTEST



The local Cincinnati Section of the American Chemical Society is again sponsoring a chemistry poster contest. This year the contest is based on “**Having a Ball with Chemistry.**” The poster should be fun, motivational and inspire students to discover the connections between chemistry and sports.

For example: Consider how science / chemistry is used in sports:

- Importance of an active lifestyle for physical well-being.
- Chemistry in materials used for sports.
- Improvements in sporting equipment made possible through chemistry (improve safety or allow for “extreme sports”).
- Chemistry and sports nutrition.

The art posters are to be submitted on paper that is no larger than 14 X 22 inches. The local ACS section will select one winner from each grade category listed below.

One Cincinnati area Winner will be selected in each of the following categories:

- **K – 2nd grade**
- **3rd – 5th grade**
- **6th – 8th grade**
- **9th – 12th grade**

Entry Guidelines

- All entries must be original work without aid from others.
- Posters must be no larger than 14 X 22 inches on standard paper or art paper.
- Entries on foam board will not be accepted.
- Entries must be drawn using crayons, paint, colored pencils or markers.
- Only one entry per student will be accepted.
- All entries **must** have the following information included on the back of the poster:
Entries lacking complete and legible information will be disqualified.
 - student's name
 - grade
 - name of school (or sponsoring group – i.e. Scout troop)
 - school (or adult contact) address
 - teacher's (or adult's) name

- school (or adult's) telephone number
- teacher's (or adult's) e-mail (& student's email if applicable).

Note: Home schooled students are also eligible and should include the name of any home school group with which they are associated.

- **Posters must be postmarked by Wednesday, October 22, 2008.**
- ACS is not responsible for lost, damaged, or delayed postal shipments.
- **All** posters become the property of the American Chemical Society.
- Acceptance of winning constitutes consent to use winners' names, likenesses and entries for editorial, advertising and publicity purposes by the American Chemical Society.

Judging:

Participant entries will be evaluated on how well the message in the poster promotes chemistry relating to sports.

Four criteria will be used to determine the winner for each age group.

- Artistic Merit (use of color, quality of drawing, poster design and layout)
- Poster Message (fun, motivational, and promote chemistry's important role in the field of athletics)
- Originality & Creativity (unique, clever, and/or creative design)
- Neatness (free of spelling and grammatical errors and/or stray marks)

Winners of the Cincinnati Section of the ACS along with their teachers and parents will be honored as guests of our local section's dinner meeting in April of 2009 at Northern Kentucky University.

The Cincinnati Section ACS will submit the local winning poster in each of the four grade categories to the National ACS Office of Community Activities in Washington, DC. First and second place winners of the national contest will be announced on the national website and via email announcement after the week of November 5. Thus, if you are a winner in the local or the national ACS contest you will be notified. If you are not notified, then you did not win.

- National Winners will be awarded for first place: \$250.00
- National second place winners will be awarded: \$150.00
- Teachers of National Winning Students will be awarded a Periodic Table of the Elements Poster.

Educators: Please encourage your students to participate in this contest...it is FUN. You can find more information and additional resources for your classroom/students at: www.acs.org/ncw

**Send posters by 10/22/08 to: Jamie Heimkreiter
1221 Sunrise Drive
Loveland, OH 45140**

WE ENCOURAGE CLASSROOMS TO COLLECT AND SEND ALL STUDENT ENTRIES IN ONE LARGE ENVELOPE TO THIS ADDRESS.

If you have additional questions, please contact Jamie Heimkreiter at jnheimkreiter@hotmail.com for additional information. Please forward this contest information to your fellow teachers so their students can also be a part of this contest.

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Deadline: October 22, 2008