

September 9, 2015

Calling all 4th Grade Teachers!

Your students can play an important part in the 10th Annual *Help Make Rochester A Litter Bit Better!* city-wide litter collection event by participating in the poster contest! We are looking for artwork from 4th grade students in the City of Rochester that tell a story about littering in our community.



Save the Date: April 23 - 30, 2016

One winner will from each participating school will be selected by a panel of judges. These school winners will be awarded an official *A Litter Bit Better!* t-shirt and a letter of appreciation from the Mayor of Rochester. These students will be invited to be a part of the Rochesterfest Parade!

A grand prize winner will also be selected from the pool of school winners. The prize? A pizza party for the class and special guest, Mayor Ardelle Brede of Rochester! The winner poster will appear on the RNeighbors website and in print publications in Rochester, including the "I will not litter" pledge card that is distributed to every 4th grader in Rochester. Additionally, the grand prize winner's teacher will receive a \$100 gift certificate to Office Max.

Students must submit their poster entry on the official entry form. If you are unable to replicate the provided entry form, additional copies are available upon request (contact information below). Entries can be created with colored pencils, markers or crayons. Computer graphics are not allowed. If words are used in their drawing, they must be spelled correctly and legible.

All entries must be sent to the address below and be postmarked on or before Friday, October 30.

Litter Bit Better Poster Contest
Rochester Public Works Department
201 4th St. SE, Room 108
Rochester, MN 55904

If you have any questions about the *A Litter Bit Better!* event or the poster contest, please feel free to contact Megan at 328-2440 or mmoeller@rochestermn.gov. You can also learn more about the annual event by visiting the RNeighbors website: www.RNeighbors.org/litterbitbetter

Thanks for doing your part to *Help Make Rochester A Litter Bit Better!*

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Megan Moeller".

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Poster Contest Entry Form

Deadline: Friday, October 30

Your artwork can Help Make Rochester *A Litter Bit Better!* Draw a brightly colored picture that shows:

- Why it is important not to litter
- What actions can make Rochester *A Litter Bit Better!*

Guidelines:

- Applicant must be a 4th grade student in Rochester, Minnesota.
- Only one entry per student.
- Artwork must be hand drawn - no computer graphics allowed.
- Submission of work is done by the classroom teacher.
- Entries will become the property of RNeighbors and will not be returned.

School Winners

A single winning entry will be chosen from each school. The winning artist will receive:

- An *A Litter Bit Better!* T-shirt
- Opportunity to walk in the Rochesterfest Parade
- A signed letter of appreciation from the Mayor of Rochester

Grand Prize Winner

A grand prize winner will be selected from the winning school entries. In addition to the school winner prizes, the grand prize winner will receive:

- A poster of their art, which will also be published as an "I will not litter" pledge card
- A photo with the Mayor
- An Invitation to Mayor's Earth Month Proclamation
- A pizza party for their classroom
- A \$100 gift certificate to Office Max for their teacher

Please provide the following information. Write legibly to ensure we are able to contact you.

Artist's Name _____

Teacher's Name _____

School Name _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

*Parent/Guardian Phone Number _____

*Parent/Guardian Email _____

**This information will only be used to contact the student about the Mayor's Earth Month Proclamation and the Rochesterfest Parade.*

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