

Due November 12



The 2019 Smokey Bear Poster Contest! Celebrating 75 Years of Wildfire Prevention!



Children from first through fifth grade are invited to participate in the 2019 National Garden Clubs, Inc. Poster Contest!

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service and the National Garden Clubs, Inc. are giving students the opportunity to demonstrate their understanding of wildfire prevention through original drawings of Smokey Bear.

SMOKEY BEAR SAYS: ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDFIRES!

Smokey Bear is recognized nationally and internationally as the symbol for wildfire prevention. The original Smokey Bear appeared in 1944. Smokey's message, "Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!" encourages personal responsibility for wildfire prevention. Smokey Bear teaches children and adults to be careful with campfires, barbecues, trash fires, and matches.

PRIZES

- The National Grand Prize Winner of the Smokey Bear & Woodsy Owl Poster Contest will be honored with a Recognition Ceremony in Washington, DC. Round-trip airfare and accommodations for four will be provided.
- The National Garden Clubs, Inc. will award \$50 check to each of the First Place national winners in all five grades.
- It is recommended that local and/or state recognition ceremonies be coordinated in conjunction with local events during Earth Week in April or during National Public Lands Day in September. Smokey Bear should be present at these award ceremonies if at all possible.



