

# **Ag Day Student Art Contest** **and Exhibition 2024 Rules**



## **2024 Ag Day Theme:** **Agriculture: Powering the Future**



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**What:** Ag Day Art Contest

**Who:** Any 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade student enrolled in a Shelby, Tipton, Fayette County, TN, Crittenden County, AR or Desoto County, MS schools

**Deadline to Enter:** March 15, 2024

**Prizes:** Monetary Prizes for Students and Teachers of winning students!

**Questions:** 901-752-1207 or email Tim Roberts at [tim.roberts@utk.edu](mailto:tim.roberts@utk.edu) or Kelly Ravlija at [krav@utk.edu](mailto:krav@utk.edu)

**Theme: "Agriculture: Powering the Future"** This is an opportunity for students to learn about Agriculture. Have the students consider "How is agriculture powering the future." Some topics to discuss with the students to help with ideas about the theme are how corn and soybeans are used to fuel our cars, fresh fruits and vegetables power our bodies, solar is created to power our homes, and technology such as drones are advancing agriculture. Art entries are due to Agricenter International by March 15, 2024. There are cash prizes for both winning students and TEACHERS of winning students.

There are many great resources you can use in the classroom to prepare your students for the contest. Those include:

<https://www.agclassroom.org/teacher/matrix/>

<https://www.agfoundation.org/resources>

## **2024 Theme: Agriculture: Powering the Future**

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any 3<sup>rd</sup> – 12 grade public, private, and homeschool student enrolled in Shelby, Tipton, and Fayette Counties in TN, Crittenden County, AR and Desoto County in MS schools. Students may develop an entry inside or outside of school. Students are eligible to submit one entry in each contest category.

**ART CATEGORIES:** There are five categories that students can enter. There is no limit to the number of art pieces submitted per school.

**5 Categories:**

**1. Drawing**

**3. Painting**

**5. Short Video**

**2. Photography**

**4. Graphic Design**

**All submissions must be original art designed by the student. Any work that is not will be disqualified.**

**Drawing and Painting art submission guidelines:** Traditional media categories include Drawing, Painting and Collage. Original work must not exceed 11 X 14 inches.

**Photography submission guidelines:** Photography work includes color or black and white on 8.5" X 11" photo paper. Please do NOT frame or mount photography submissions. Photographs must be taken by the student and associated with the theme.

**Graphic design submission guidelines:** Graphic design work must be developed by original media and is defined as the use of computer media and innovative computer applications to art. Original artwork must be 8.5" X 11". Please do NOT mat graphic design work.

**Short video submission guidelines:** Video entries should be between 30 seconds and 3 minutes. Videos over 3 minutes will not be considered. Video quality should be 1080p or higher. Videos can be turned in on a jump drive or a link to the video can be emailed to: [tim.roberts@utk.edu](mailto:tim.roberts@utk.edu) or [krav@utk.edu](mailto:krav@utk.edu).

#### **GRADE DIVISIONS:**

Division 1: 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades

Division 2: 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Grades

Division 3: 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades

#### **Judging Criteria Considered:**

Art entries will be judged on the following: interpretation of concept, uniqueness, artistry, and artist statement. The Artist Statement should include: what inspired the work, how it relates to the theme, and the content of the work in at least three sentences.

#### **PRIZES:**

The decision of the judges will be final. Students do not need to be present to win.

##### **Student Prizes:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place winner in each division: \$400

2<sup>nd</sup> Place winner in each division: \$200

3<sup>rd</sup> Place winner in each division: \$100

These student winners and their families will be invited to attend the Ag Day celebration in March 2023 to be recognized.

##### **Teachers Prizes:**

\$250 to teachers of each first-place winner. Each teacher and their families will be invited to attend the Ag Day celebration in March 2023 to be recognized.

**Teacher Prize Drawing:** One name will be drawn to receive a \$500 prize! Only teachers submitting art work from students in Shelby, Tipton, and Fayette Counties in Tennessee, Crittenden County, AR and DeSoto County in MS. This includes public, private schools and homeschools in those areas. Entry period begins now and ends on March 15, 2024 at 4:30 pm. No purchase or fees are necessary. Teachers will receive one entry per student entry into the contest. The more students entered the more entries a teacher will have. Teacher does not need to be present to win.

## **ART ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:**

- Submissions should be new pieces of artwork that reflect the current year's theme.
- Each entry must be the original work of one student only. Only one student may be recognized as the award recipient for each entry. An adult may not alter the integrity of a student's work. Help from an adult or collaboration with other students is not allowed. Children of sponsors are not eligible.
- All artwork must include complete entries containing an artist statement and an entry form found below. Please attach the statement and entry form to the back of entries. Video entry statements and entry forms may be submitted via title screen in video or typed on paper and submitted with USB drive loaded with video or emailed with video link.
- The entry form includes: the name of student entrant, age, grade level, name of school, names of parent or guardian and their complete mailing address with zip code, telephone number, and the full name of the art teacher or home room teacher and teacher's email the artwork was created in.
- Entries must be accompanied by an "Artist's Statement" of at least three sentences but no more than 200 words that is created by the student entrant. The artists statement communicates what inspired the work, how it relates to the theme, and the content of the work.
- Use of copyrighted material (images) or trademarks (company names, logos, brands, etc.) is prohibited except for background music in video production entries. If used in video production entries, background music must be cited on the entry form. Plagiarized entries will be disqualified. Use of PowerPoint templates are prohibited.
- Entries must comply with all local and national laws of the United States. Content must not 1) promote illegal behavior; 2) support racial, religious, sexual or other invidious prejudice; 3) advocate sexual or violent exploitation; 4) violate rights established by law or agreements; 5) invade the privacy of any person; or 6) be otherwise inappropriate as determined by Agricenter in its sole and conclusive determination.

## **ENTRY SUBMISSIONS: Deadline to enter contest is Friday, March 15, 2024.**

Entries can be mailed or hand delivered to: Agricenter International, 7777 Walnut Grove Rd., Memphis, TN 38120. Video submissions can be mailed or hand delivered on a USB drive to the Agricenter at the address listed above. Video submissions will also be accepted via links sent to Tim Roberts at [tim.roberts@utk.edu](mailto:tim.roberts@utk.edu) or Kelly Ravlija at [krav@utk.edu](mailto:krav@utk.edu). Hand delivered entries must be submitted during normal business hours, 8:00 am until 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, to the Agricenter Administrative Offices. Call 901-757- 7777 extension 7100 for hand delivery questions.

## **SUBMISSIONS must be received no later than Friday, March 15, 2024.**

*By submitting any artwork to the Agricenter International for the Student Art Contest and Exhibition, entrants accept and agree to be bound by the official rules for participation as well as the entry requirements for their specific art categories and division. Student may only submit piece of artwork within each of the art categories. Any violation of these rules may, at the Agricenter's discretion, result in disqualification. All decisions of the Agricenter International regarding this program are final and binding in all respects. All entries become the property of Agricenter International and cannot be returned. Entries may be exhibited at Agricenter International's discretion and may be auctioned at a fundraiser for a community event.*

# Ag Day Art Contest Entry Form

Attach to the back of each art entry.

Be sure to include an artist statement as well with each entry.

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Name: _____	Name: _____
Age: _____ Grade: _____	Age: _____ Grade: _____
Phone Number: _____	Phone Number: _____
Parent/Guardian Name: _____	Parent/Guardian Name: _____
Parent/Guardian Email: _____	Parent/Guardian Email: _____
Complete Mailing Address (include <b>ZIP CODE</b> ): _____ _____	Complete Mailing Address (include <b>ZIP CODE</b> ): _____ _____
Art Entry Title: _____	Art Entry Title: _____
School Name: _____	School Name: _____
Teacher Name: _____	Teacher Name: _____
Teacher Email: _____	Teacher Email: _____
<i>Don't forget to include an artist statement about the art entry. Attach this form to the back of the entry.</i>	<i>Don't forget to include an artist statement about the art entry. Attach this form to the back of the entry.</i>

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