

2006-2007 Creative Arts Contest

General Contest Rules

- **Eligibility:** Middle and high school students attending schools teaching Scott & White Worth the Wait® abstinence education curriculum are eligible to participate in the *Creative Arts Contest*. Individual students may submit entries in the art and literature contests; music entries may be an individual or group project. **Only one entry per student in each category. Only one entry per musical group in the music category.** More than one entry in a category will result in disqualification of all entries. **No student information should appear on the front; any signatures or initials will cause disqualification.**
- **Theme:** The theme must convey a positive and motivating message about abstinence from sexual activity. The idea must be original student work and should not be copied from other published material.
- **Entry Form:** Each art and literary submission must have an entry form securely taped to its back. Music entries can be submitted in an envelope with the entry form enclosed or with the tape/disc wrapped in the entry form and secured with a rubber band. Entry forms must be PRINTED neatly in ink. The submitting campus coordinator or sponsoring teacher must sign the form verifying that the work is the student's own. Each member of a music group must complete a separate form. **FORMS MUST BE COMPLETED IN THEIR ENTIRETY OR THE ENTRY WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**

Art Contest

- **Size:** Entries must be drawn horizontally (landscape) on an 8.5x11 sheet of white, unlined paper. Artwork must NOT be framed, mounted, or folded.
- **Media:** Artwork may be created in color or black & white. Crayon, pencil, colored pencil, marker, watercolor, ink, charcoal, pastel, or any other two-dimensional medium may be used. Entries must be dark enough to be reproduced. Collage items, such as glitter or stickers, should not be used. Original computer generated entries will be accepted.
- A written message may be used, but is not required. Copyrighted characters (from cartoons, logos, etc.) may not be used.

Literature Contest

- Essay, narrative, and poetry writing are eligible. Essays must be 500-1,000 words. Poetry must be 50-500 words. All varieties of poetry are acceptable. "Pattern" or "formula" poems are discouraged.
- Classroom teachers assisting students to revise and edit their work must not inject their own ideas into the work. It is appropriate to point out gaps and inconsistencies, to ask questions that encourage students to brainstorm, to think of alternatives, and to come up with their own ideas.
- Entries should be submitted on an 8.5x11 sheet of white, unlined paper. Legibly handwritten or typed entries are acceptable.

Music Contest

- Music entries may be submitted on cassette tape, CD, DVD, or VHS tape. Typed lyrics must be included with the entry. Lyrics with profanity will not be accepted.
- Music tapes or discs should be labeled with the group's name, or individual's initials.
- All types of music will be accepted: rock, rap, country, jazz, etc.
- Music may be a solo or group performance.

Judging / Awards

- **Judging:** Four categories – Grade 6, Grade 7, Grade 8, and High School entries. A panel of independent judges will determine winners of the contest with criteria based on clarity of message and relevance of theme; originality and creativity; and quality and skill.
- **Prizes/Recognition:** Three places may be awarded in each of the four above categories: First place \$500; Second place \$250; and Third place \$100. All prizes will be awarded according to judges' discretion.
- **School Grand Prize Award:** The campus with the greatest percentage of students submitting qualified entries (based on student enrollment numbers) will receive the Grand Prize Award of \$1,000.
- **Publicity:** Winning entries will be highly publicized. They may be published in various ways including, but not limited to, calendars, billboards, brochures, etc. All submissions become the property of Scott & White Worth the Wait®, and may be used in its promotions. Entries will not be returned.

Deadlines

- Entries must be submitted through the campus coordinator or mailed directly to the Scott & White Worth the Wait® office. ALL entries must be postmarked by May 31, 2007 to qualify. Awards will be announced early in the 2007-2008 school year.

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