



Watt's Up?

SERT Energy Conservation & Recycling Poster Contest



For School Year 2011–2012
Due Tuesday, March 6, 2012

Energy: Energy may be the single most important environmental issue of our time. All environmental issues are related to energy—air or water quality, global climate changes, waste management, and transportation. With 80 percent of all pollution coming from producing, consuming, and distributing energy; this is incentive to cut energy waste. This is your chance to show other Montgomery County students how to use less energy and make wise energy choices!

The main focus of your poster is to motivate others to save energy.

Recycling: Despite what you might think, each of us can make a great impact on the earth. Each of us can start by recycling responsibly. Recycle paper, glass, aluminum, plastic—and this is just the beginning of the list. Shop with reusable grocery bags, drink from reusable containers, print on both sides of paper, and share hand-me-downs. Behavior can be the best lesson. If you start to live responsibly, people around you will follow. Share your ideas regarding recycling and make MCPS a greener place in which to learn.

Schools are encouraged to have an in-house contest to select the entries for formal submission. Each school may enter only one poster per topic (Energy Conservation/Recycling) in each age group (K–2, 3–5, 6–8, and 9–12). Winning entries may be used in future Montgomery County Public Schools and local government educational/promotional campaigns.

SERT ENERGY CONSERVATION & RECYCLING POSTER CONTEST RULES

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1. Posters should encourage others to conserve energy and recycle responsibly.
2. All MCPS elementary, middle, and high school students—Grades K–12—are eligible to enter. One entry per category per school will be accepted.
3. Posters must not exceed 18" x 24" (Schools are encouraged to hold preliminary competitions.)
4. Entries must be the student's original work.
5. Entries must be accompanied by a SERT Energy & Recycling Poster Contest Official Entry Form, signed by the parent or guardian and the sponsoring teacher, on or before March 6, 2012, and submitted to: SERT, Department of Facilities Management, 2096 Gaither Road, Suite 200, Rockville, MD 20850.
6. Each entry should be the work of one student.

Judging Criteria:

Entries will be sorted and judged in the following groups:

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| •K–2: Energy | •K–2: Recycling | •3–5: Energy | •3–5: Recycling | |
| •6–8: Energy | •6–8: Recycling | •9–12: Energy | •9–12: Recycling | •Digital |

Winners will be announced before the end of the school year. Certificates will be awarded to the students of winning entries. Winning entries will be featured on the SERT website.

Contact Barbara_M_Ruppel@mcpsmd.org or call (240)314-1090, for additional information or questions.
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/facilities/greenschoolsfocus/SERT.shtm

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Student's Name _____

Grade _____ Theme (circle one): Energy Recycling

Home Phone # _____

Parent's Name _____

*Parent's Signature _____

School Name _____

Principal's Signature _____

Sponsoring Teacher's Name _____

Teacher's E-mail _____

Did your school hold a schoolwide competition to select this entry? (circle one) Yes No

If so, how many students participated? _____

Write a brief description of the **energy or recycling** message conveyed in your poster.

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