

MD 410 Peace Poster Policy and Procedures



A. LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER CONTEST RULES

A kit must be purchased for each contest sponsored. Each kit includes a sticker to be placed on the back of the winning poster prior to forwarding it to the next level of judging.

Entries not featuring an official sticker on the back or meeting the rules listed below will be disqualified.

Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school(s) or organized, sponsored youth group(s), such as YMCA programs, Boys & Girls Clubs, Scouts, etc. A Lioness club can sponsor the contest through its sponsoring Lions club. Note: The contest cannot be held in youth groups that a Lions club sponsors, such as a Leo club or Scout unit. However, individual members of those groups (such as Leos or Scouts) may participate if the contest is held at their school or other organized youth group.

Contest is open to students who will be 11, 12 or 13 years of age on November 15. Eligible birthdates can be found under the Contest Rules & Conditions found in the Peace Poster kit.

Artwork must be no smaller than 13 inches by 20 inches (33 centimeters by 50 centimeters) and no larger than 20 inches by 24 inches (50 centimeters by 60 centimeters).

Do not mat or frame artwork. Only one entry per student per year, and each entry must be the work of only one student. All artwork must be the individual student's original creation. Duplications are not accepted.

All media are accepted. Note: Chalk, charcoal and pastel entries should be sealed with a fixative spray to prevent smearing. Do not laminate entries. Three-dimensional entries will not be accepted. Nothing may be glued, stapled or attached to the artwork in any way.

The use of lettering or numbering on the front of the poster, in any language, is not allowed. All artist signatures or initials should be written on the back of the poster.

Artwork should be done on a flexible material, so it can be rolled for shipping in a mailing tube. Do not fold poster.

Participants accept all responsibility for late, lost, misdirected or illegible entries. Entries sent with insufficient postage will be disqualified. Lions Clubs International is not responsible for entries damaged, destroyed or lost during the judging process.

Entries cannot be acknowledged or returned; they become property of Lions Clubs International upon receipt. Peace Poster Contest images cannot be used without written permission from Lions Clubs International.

In consideration for the opportunity to enter the Peace Poster Contest, participants agree to allow Lions Clubs International to use their names and photographs for promotional and publicity purposes.

In addition, the international grand prize winner, two family members (one being a parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring club president or a club member (as designated by the sponsoring club president) are required to attend the award ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations. An international grand-prize winner is not eligible to receive subsequent prizes in future Peace Poster contests sponsored by Lions Clubs International.

By entering, participants agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the judges and Lions Clubs International. Lions Clubs International may cancel the contest without notice at any time. The contest is void where prohibited, taxed or restricted by law.

Lions clubs can order a contest kit from January 15 to October 1, 2019. Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest.

Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

B. LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DEADLINES

January 15: Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

October 1: Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

November 15: Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a district governor not belonging to a multiple district to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.

December 15: Postmark deadline for the multiple district council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.

February 1: International winners notified on or before this date.

C. MD 410 POLICY & PROCEDURES

1. A Lions club Decides to participate in the Peace poster Contest.
2. Approach Schools to ascertain interest and Cooperation.
3. The Club orders a Peace Poster kit from Lions Clubs International store and inform the District Chairman of the order.
4. It is recommended for clubs to sponsor the right size and durable paper , not too thin as it will be handled a lot.
5. It is recommended that clubs keep track of the progress of the contest with the school or schools before the deadline for collection .
6. Clubs organize judges and select ONE entry as a winner to be entered at the District Convention, the Deadline for submissions to the district chairman is at the District Convention.
7. Cabinets should decide at the First Cabinet meeting the prize money for the first three winners and schools of the Peace Poster contest and a budget for gifts for the judges at the District Convention.
8. The District Chairman for Peace Poster and Essays organize at least 3 judges from the local area where the District Convention are being held , this can be done with the help of the nearest Lions Club.
9. At the District Convection , the first 3 winners are selected by the independent judges.
10. The District Chairman for Peace Posters announce the winners via email communication to all the clubs in the District.
11. The District Treasurer pays the winning prize monies into the Lions Club accounts from where the entries were received to be paid over to the school and winning participants.
12. The First prize Winner Peace Poster entry is given to the District Governor for judging at the 3rd Council Meeting of Governors at the District Convention.
13. The Council of Governors decides at the First Council Meeting , the Prize Money for the winning entries for the participants and schools .
14. The Multiple District Chairman organize at least 3 independent judges for judging of the District Contest Winners at the third Council of Governors Meeting . This can be done with assistance from the club hosting the Third Cabinet Meeting.
14. The council Treasurer pay the prize money into the Lions Club account for the winner and the school.
15. The Lions Club present the school and winner with their prize money.
15. The Multiple District Chairman make arrangements to post or courier the winning Peace Poster to Lions Clubs International before 15 December.
16. Expression of the theme, artistic merit and originality are the three criteria used to evaluate the posters at all judging levels.