



2016 MICHIGAN SCHOOL BUS SAFETY POSTER CONTEST

sponsored by
MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION FOR PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

Who May Enter:

Any student enrolled in a public, parochial or other private elementary or middle school in the State of Michigan.

Poster Specifications:

11x17
or
12x18

- Completed poster size must be 11"X17" or 12"X18". There must be a 3" x 5" card/entry blank securely fastened to the back of the poster which includes the student's name, grade, age, teacher's name, school name and school address. Please print clearly. Posters may be illustrated on the vertical or horizontal axis. **Do NOT roll posters. They must be mailed/delivered flat.**
- Designs should be submitted on quality tag, poster illustration board or heavy paper. Construction paper may be used but winning entries must be mounted on quality tag poster.
- Lamination is not permitted, and will disqualify the poster
- Cut paper/stencils (freehand or pre-drawn stick-on stencils) are not permitted and will disqualify the poster.
- There is no limitation on the use and number of colors.
- There is no limitation on the type of media -- such as print, crayon, felt pen, etc. -- used on the poster design; however, wood, plastic, glass or metal should not be part of the poster. Collage materials should not be used. Glued on pieces will eliminate the poster.
- Poster designs may not incorporate any copyrighted characters (i.e., comic and/or television characters), photographs, and magazine or newspaper illustrations.
- The poster design may incorporate freehand drawn letters only. Stenciled, pre-printed, manufactured stick-on or press-on letters or tracings may not be used and will disqualify the poster. Lettering should be clearly legible, even if used as part of the poster design.

17x11
or
18x12

Poster Theme:

Every poster and slogan must harmonize with the 2016 poster contest theme:

Stop on Red!

(Contestants must illustrate above theme only, and the theme must be exactly as shown above.)

Drawings must be original, correct in safety concept and the exclusive work of the student entering the contest in idea, design and execution. All artwork should be positive in approach, demonstrating only proper school bus safety behaviors. At least a part of a yellow school bus must be present in the poster. An art instructor or teacher should supervise all work.

Divisions:

Posters will be entered in one of five divisions:

Division #1 Grades K-2

Division #2 Grades 3-5

Division #3 Grades 6-8

Division #4 Special Education

Division #5 CAD Drawing (Eligible as a division winner, but not as the overall National winner)



Contest Deadline:

Posters must be received at MAPT by **April 30, 2016.**

Mail Posters to: Poster Contest

Michigan Association for Pupil Transportation
6250 W. Michigan Ave., Suite A
Lansing, MI 48917

When Can Posters Be Drawn?

Posters can be drawn anytime between September 2015 and April 2016, up to the deadline to submit an entry. You may want to include this in your curriculum as an art project and/or school poster contest during National School Bus Safety Week, October 19 - 23, 2015.

Judging:

Criteria for the selection of award winning posters are:

- a) The theme, # Stop on Red! MUST be included in the poster design.
 - b) Relationship of the poster design to the school bus safety practices.
 - c) Originality of the poster and how the idea is expressed in the poster design.
 - d) Artwork and its execution. (A portion of the yellow school bus must be present in the poster.)
 - e) Visual impact of the poster design.
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Prizes:

Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place in each division, as follows:

1st Place	\$50.00 to purchase \$100 Savings Bond
2nd Place	\$37.50 to purchase \$75 Savings Bond
3rd Place	\$25.00 to purchase \$50 Savings Bond

**Please Note:**

All winners will be contacted after the results are announced. Now that the U.S. Savings Bonds Program has gone electronic, we no longer purchase savings bonds for you. We will send the winners a check to purchase a bond or use the money for any other purpose. First Place posters will be entered in to the National School Bus Safety Poster Contest c/o the National Association for Pupil Transportation. All posters and related intellectual property rights become the property of the National Association for Pupil Transportation upon receipt and are not returned to the artist, his/her parents/legal guardians, art instructor or art teacher, school, state or contest sponsor, or any other person(s) claiming a right, title or other interest in the poster. The NSBSW committee has the right to disqualify any entry that does not comply with all contest requirements. All other NSBSW contest rules and regulations apply. All other posters will be returned to the transportation supervisor of the entering school.

National School Bus Safety Poster Contest 2016 Entry Blank	
Student Name	_____
Grade	_____ Age _____
School District	_____
School	_____
School Address	_____
City	_____, MI Zip _____
Teacher's Name	_____

ENTRY BLANK:
Attach NSBSW entry blank, or a reasonable facsimile, securely to the backside of the poster.

For questions regarding the State Contest, please call MAPT at 517-886-0881.

