ART & WRITING CONTEST RULES

ELIGIBILITY: Contest is open to students in grades 6-9. Contestants must be Florida residents.

ENTRY FORM: The completed entry form must accompany each entry: FloridaDEP.gov/EarthScience

DEADLINE: All submissions must be postmarked, time stamped or submitted in-person by 5 p.m. on Friday, November 1, 2019.

RECOGNITION: One winning submission from each category will be chosen. Winning entries will be posted to the FGS website.

JUDGING: Artwork and writing will be judged by a panel of geoscientists on content, presentation, originality, creativity, and relevance to and incorporation of the Earth Science Week Contest topic — “Earth Science and Me.”

WINNER NOTIFICATION: Winners will be notified by January 11, 2020, through their school’s administration.

OTHER RULES: Submission of an entry constitutes consent to credit the entrant’s name and/or photograph (unless prohibited by statute), including posting on the DEP website and on social media platforms, without compensation. All submissions become property of DEP upon receipt, and cannot be returned. NOTE – all submittals shall constitute Public Records under F.S. 119, and are subject to disclosure and production to the public upon request. Submitters have no expectation of privacy or confidentiality in any submitted materials. Only one entry per person will be accepted. Entries must be composed of original, authentic, unpublished material and must be the sole property of the entrant, not previously submitted in any other contest. DEP is not responsible for lost, late, misdirected, incomplete, or postage-due entries.

THREE WAYS TO SUBMIT:
MAIL: Florida Geological Survey, 3000 Commonwealth Blvd., Suite 1, Tallahassee, FL 32303
EMAIL: Sarah.Erb@FloridaDEP.gov
IN PERSON: The Florida Geological Survey Open House on November 1, 2019 in Tallahassee

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