

# Ohio Severe Weather Awareness Poster Contest



This contest provides teachers with an exciting way to incorporate weather education into classroom curriculum.

It's designed to combine a student's originality and artistic talent with their ability to share the important message of how people can protect themselves and others from the dangers and hazards that accompany severe weather in Ohio.

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Visit the OCSWA website and view complete contest rules:



Download the Severe Weather Safety Teacher's Guide:



- What:** Ohio Severe Weather Awareness Poster Contest
- Who:** Students in grades 1-6
- When:** Entries must be postmarked by April 21, 2023
- How:** Contest rules can be found at [weathersafety.ohio.gov](http://weathersafety.ohio.gov)

This poster contest is a valuable tool to help students learn about severe weather safety and preparedness. The contest is open to all Ohio students in grades 1-6, and individualized instruction (special education) classes. All public, private, charter and home schools are encouraged to participate.

Regional winners are invited to attend the Ohio Committee for Severe Weather Awareness (OCSWA) awards ceremony at the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy on the Ohio State Fairgrounds.

**Prizes for regional winners:** Prizes include admission passes to the Ohio State Fair, a certificate of appreciation from the National Weather Service, and more (prizes vary per year).

**Prizes for state winners** (one student each from grades 1-6): Same prizes as regional winners, plus a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radio, a smoke alarm, a congratulatory letter from Gov. Mike DeWine, and the student's poster framed.

**Prizes for overall state winner:** Same prizes as regional and state winners, including a personalized trophy, four tickets to the Center of Science and Industry (COSI) museum in Columbus, and a backpack. In the fall, OCSWA members will present a "traveling trophy" to the overall state winner's school to be displayed throughout the school year.