



**In Partnership with the College of
Human Resources and Education**

WECAN Young Ambassadors (WECAN-YA)

*Our Planet, Our West Virginia, Our Morgantown:
Our Common Future*

“It seems that the younger generation is becoming more interested in sustainability...because 50 years from now means more to a college-aged person than someone from the previous generation.”

- West Virginia University Student

Poster Competition Guidelines May 2009

The Office of Facilities and Services at West Virginia University is hosting a poster competition May 27, 2009 to celebrate World Environment Day on June 5, 2009. The purpose of this competition is to provide an avenue for middle and high school students in Monongalia County to explore and express their thoughts and ideas on innovation, their community, emerging technologies, and how it will affect their future.

Sustainability is a multidimensional way of thinking and acting that meets present needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs. Collectively, sustainable outcomes are a result of every individual's commitment and contribution toward the greater good and noble cause that is placed before us.

Date: May 27, 2009
Time: 9:30 AM to 12:00 noon
Where: Gold Ballroom, Mountainlair,
West Virginia University, Morgantown

Teams

Each school is allowed to send up to 3 teams with 2 to 3 members in each team. Schools are responsible for choosing their teams. The attached “Poster Competition Entry Form” should be sent to Amy Wodzinski no later than May 1st, 2009.

Rules and Eligibility

Before finalizing your posters, please consider one of the key underpinnings of sustainability, “**Think Globally and Act Locally.**” The poster should have a clear and dynamic message, be graphically attractive, and stretch the imagination beyond traditional boundaries. The winning poster may be included in WVU's publications and other media, so please consider the audience when designing your poster.

Entries are eligible from middle and high school students (public and private) in Monongalia County, WV. Posters should be set up at the venue between 7:30 and 9:00 AM on May 27, 2009. All teams should be present between 9:30 and 12:00 noon on May 27, 2009, when posters are judged.

Poster Size

No larger than 40” x 60” and no smaller than 36” x 48”. Boards to mount posters will be provided.

Judging Criteria (points)

1. Focus	15
2. Creativity	15
3. Clarity	15
4. Visual Appeal	15
5. Potential Impact	40

Prizes

1. Team Categories (Middle and high schools are two separate categories)

1 st Prize	\$500
2 nd Prize	\$250
3 rd Prize	\$125
2. School Category (WECAN-YA Trophy)
 - Middle School Award
 - High School Award

Both awards will be based on a cumulative point system. Each participating team from the middle or high school will be awarded points (even if they do not win the individual awards). More details will be available on the website.

Contact Information

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For more information on the event, please visit our website at wecan.wvu.edu.



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WECAN-YA 2009 Poster Competition Entry Form

Briefly describe in **50 words or less** the primary focus of your poster:

School Name: _____

Team Name: _____

Student Names: 1. _____ Grade: _____

2. _____ Grade: _____

3. _____ Grade: _____

Teacher/Contact: _____

School Address: _____

City/Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Note: Please send the poster entry form to Amy Wodzenski electronically (email attachment) or by fax at the above-mentioned address by May 1, 2009.



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WECAN-YA 2009 Poster Competition Release Form

I hereby certify that this poster was created entirely by team (print team name here) _____ and is the team's original artwork; there were no copyrighted characters used. I agree that the poster may be offered for public display or publication at some time during or after the competition. I understand that this poster becomes the property of West Virginia University and may be reproduced. The only information that will be released is the names of the student(s), school or organization, grade, and hometown.

Participating Students and Parent or Guardian Name

Student Name/Date

Parent or Guardian Name/Date

1. _____

1. _____

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

2. _____

2. _____

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

3. _____

3. _____

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

School Authorized Agent Approval

Contact Name/Designation: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____