



**OFFICE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY**  
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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January 6, 2014

Dear Principal:

It is my pleasure to announce the 2014 Anti-Drug Poster Contest, which is open to all sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students throughout Cook County. The theme is Drug Prevention.

Although this will be the thirtieth year for the contest, drug abuse, the violence it causes and its effect on our communities are still a major concern of my office. Through this expression of art, students present positive alternatives to this devastating epidemic. The winning posters for the 2014 contest will be featured in the 2015 calendar.

We are hoping to hear from you this year through your school's participation. Enclosed are the guidelines for the 2014 contest and an entry form. Please have your art teacher mail us your entries by **Monday, January 28, 2014**. For additional information, please contact Ta'sha Williams at 312-603-8730.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anita Alvarez".

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State's Attorney

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ANTI-DRUG POSTER CONTEST GUIDELINES**

**PLEASE READ THESE RULES IN THEIR ENTIRETY:**

1. Posters must be on white **POSTER BOARD (22" x 28")**. Other sizes and types of paper will be disqualified. The following drawing materials may be used: crayons, watercolors, or markers. **THE BOLDER MATERIALS SHOW UP THE BEST.**
2. The student's name, parent's name and e-mail address, home address, home phone number, name of school and grade level must be clearly **PRINTED ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF POSTER.**
3. The poster's message must convey **PREVENTION** of drug abuse.
4. Posters will be judged on the basis of originality and on their effectiveness in presenting positive alternatives to drugs.
5. Teachers must submit, with the posters, a completed entry form and a **TYPED LIST** containing the name of the school, grade level, teacher's name and the names of the students.
6. **A P P L I C A T I O N F O R M M U S T B E S U B M I T T E D W I T H T H E P O S T E R S T O T H E S T A T E ' S A T T O R N E Y ' S O F F I C E .**
7. Judges will choose a first, second, third and fourth place winner for each grade level. In the case of a tie, both posters will be recognized as winners.

**THE FOLLOWING WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED:**

1. Drawings of real people, famous characters or names or logos of name brand products;
2. More than one student working on a poster;
3. Anything pasted, taped or stapled to the poster; **ENTRIES MUST BE DRAWN.**

**POSTERS MUST BE DELIVERED OR POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M., MARCH 28, 2014 TO THE STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, 69 WEST WASHINGTON, SUITE 930, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602. BECAUSE PARKING IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA IS EXPENSIVE, WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU MAIL THE POSTERS.**

**FAILURE TO ADHERE TO THESE GUIDELINES MAY RESULT IN BEING DISQUALIFIED.**

**WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED THROUGH THEIR SCHOOL IN APRIL.**



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