



First Ever GEAR UP Virginia

POSTER CONTEST



GEAR UP Virginia, as part of National GEAR UP Week, is holding its first poster contest. Are you a GEAR UP student? If so, share your interpretation of what "GEARING UP for College" means!

POSTER REQUIREMENTS

- Entries should represent the theme "GEARING UP for College"
- The artwork must not contain any wording, including the above theme.
- Artwork must be 11" by 17" or less.
- Drawing and painting mediums will be accepted.
- Electronically designed posters (CS 6 or older) will be accepted (please submit a CD or flash drive). Sculptures or other multi-dimensional designs will not be accepted.
- Artwork cannot be folded.
- Entries are for single applicants only. Group artwork will not be accepted.
- An entry form must accompany each poster.

CONTESTANTS

- Must be a GEAR UP Virginia student (8th grader at GUV school) with a release form on file.
- All eligible contestants must submit a signed entry form with their artwork.

PRIZE

- Win a \$100 Virginia 529 Savings Account!
- The winning poster will be reproduced and shared with all GEAR UP Virginia schools.
- The winning poster will be unveiled at a Virginia Board of Education meeting.
- 10 Honorable Mentions

DEADLINE:

Friday,
November 20,
2015



State Council of
Higher Education for Virginia



Virginia529

For entry form, submission information and more, visit www.gearupva.com/GUV2015postercontest.pdf



2015 GEAR UP Virginia Poster Contest

Entry Rules

In recognition of National GEAR UP Week, GEAR UP Virginia (GUV) is holding its first poster contest. Participants must be members of the 2014-21 GUV cohort with a signed release form on file at the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia.

Design Requirements

- ⚙️ Create a poster using the theme "GEARing Up for College."
- ⚙️ The **design must not contain any wording**, including the theme, "GEARing Up for College."
- ⚙️ Acrylic, chalk, colored pencils, crayon, ink, oil pastel, pastel, tempera paint, watercolor, and all other drawing and painting mediums will be accepted. **Sculptures and similar multi-dimensional designs will not be accepted.**
- ⚙️ The design may be produced electronically using computer graphic software such as programs from Adobe Creative Suite 6 or older. Please enclose a CD or flash drive as well as a color hard copy of the design.
- ⚙️ Do not submit folded artwork. **Folded entries will not be accepted.**
- ⚙️ Entries should be 11" x 17" or less. **Entries over maximum size of 11" x 17" will not be accepted.**
- ⚙️ Selection criteria include the following: design (cohesiveness of composition), expression (communicative quality), connection to the theme, and originality (novel or unique solution).

Additional Information

- ⚙️ All submissions must be accompanied by a **completed** student entry form with required signatures that **must be affixed to the back of the artwork.**
- ⚙️ The winning design will be reproduced into a new GUV poster to be distributed with all GUV schools.
- ⚙️ GUV reserves the right to enhance and/or alter original artwork if selected for reproduction.
- ⚙️ **The winner will be announced in January 2016, and the poster will be unveiled at the January Virginia Board of Education meeting.** The winner will receive a certificate of recognition, a professional print of their poster design, and a Virginia529 College Savings Account in the amount of \$100.00. All participants will receive a certificate of participation.

Please submit entries to the GUV Coordinator at the participating school by Friday, November 20, 2015 or mail to GEAR UP Virginia, SCHEV, 101 N. 14th Street, 10th Floor, Richmond, VA 23139.



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Student Entry Form

This completed entry form must be attached to the back of the submitted artwork.

Please print

Student First and Last Name: _____

Parent First and Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: () _____

Email Address: _____

School Name: _____

School Division: _____

School Address: _____

GUV Coordinator Name: _____

GUV Coordinator Email Address: _____

Do you want your artwork returned? Yes No

Certification and Signature

I, _____ (*print student name*), hereby submit my original artwork to be judged for the 2015 GUV Poster Contest. If my artwork is selected as the winning design and reproduced, GUV reserves the right to enhance, reproduce, and distribute the original artwork in order to promote the GUV program.

Student's Signature

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

Date