

# Forest Lake Lions Drug Awareness Poster Contest

## Posters due November 21, 2016

October 24, 2016

The Forest Lake Lions are proud to again announce the district-wide Bruce Gagnelius Drug Awareness Poster contest taking place at the Lion's Mid-Winter in January 2017. This will be the 31<sup>th</sup> annual Drug Awareness Poster Contest sponsored by the Forest Lake Lions. The Forest Lake Lions had one District winner in 2015 and are hoping to again have a winner in 2017. Last year we had almost 600 posters to judge.

The procedure for the Poster Contest is much the same as the last several years. We have a local contest with 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners being chosen by Forest Lake Lions and Community volunteer Judges. The first-place winners in each category will be taken to the District Convention that will be held at the Marriott Hotel in Bloomington in January 2017. The district-wide winners will be notified and asked to join the Forest Lake Lions for their February meeting where District winners will be awarded their District prizes. The District winners will have their dinner, their parent's dinner and their teacher's dinner paid for by the District during our meeting.

### **The guidelines for the contest are:**

Age groups are K, grades (1-2), (3-4), (5), (6-8) and (9-12).

Local winning posters will be judged on Friday evening at Mid-Winter. The Forest Lake Lions will make sure the local entries are in Bloomington for the judging. Winners in each age group at the District Level receive a \$50 cash prize.

### **Poster size must be either 12x18 inches or 11 x 17**

**All posters must have the name and phone number of the child as well as the name of the teacher, grade and the name of the school ON THE BACK OF THE POSTER.** With so

many great entries, this simple rule may be the only difference between the winners and non-winners. The contents of the poster must relate to drug awareness and will be judged based on the effective presentation of the anti-drug message as well as on the artistic skill.

The Forest Lake Lions will award \$50.00 for first, \$30.00 for 2<sup>nd</sup> and \$20.00 for 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each of the six divisions.

The Lions will be taking a copy of this letter to all the schools involved in the poster contest. They will be picking up the entries on Monday November 21st for local judging. This is just before the Thanksgiving holiday. Judges are selected from the local Lion group and from the community at large. Lion members will be making the rounds of the schools to make the local prize awards after the January Mid-Winter convention. Please contact Lion Sue Griffin at 651-429-1451 if you have any questions.