Commonwealth of Virginia
2019 MS-ISAC "Kids Safe Online" Poster Contest
Attention Educators and Parents:

Students in grades kindergarten through twelve are invited to participate in the Commonwealth of Virginia's *Kids Safe Online Poster* contest. The contest is sponsored by the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA) in conjunction with the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC). This is a national contest which encourages our youth to use the Internet safely and securely. Please forward this information to the individuals in your school district that would be interested in this contest.

Educating our children about the rules of Internet safety will encourage them to make better decisions when posting pictures, videos and personal information online.

The top five winning posters from Virginia for each grade group (K-5, 6-8 and 9-12) will be submitted to the national Multi-State Cyber Security Awareness poster contest. MS ISAC will select a total of 13 winners to have their artwork displayed in the 2020 National Stay Safe Online Calendar which will be distributed throughout the country and used in campaigns to raise awareness among children of all ages about internet and computer safety. The top four submissions will also be made into posters promoting cybersecurity practices. The winning Virginia posters will be featured on our website.

Attached are the official rules, entry form and information regarding the poster topics and technical specifications. The materials are also available on the MS ISAC website at https://www.cisecurity.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/MS-ISAC-Poster-Contest-and-Form.pdf

The deadline for poster entry forms and posters is **midnight Jan. 11th, 2019**. Late entries will not be accepted. Winners will be notified by email. If you have questions or need assistance, please email CommonwealthSecurity@vita.virginia.gov

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Virginia Information Technologies Agency

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Official Rules

Eligibility

Public, private and home schooled students in grades K-12 are invited to participate for a chance to have their artwork displayed on the 2020 MS-ISAC Posters and Calendar!

Judging Criteria

Posters will be judged on the following criteria:
- Clear message conveyed by the text and artwork
- The poster theme listed is addressed
- Creativity, originality and artistic quality
- Visual clarity - easily read
- Bright and colorful
- Must comply with poster requirements (landscape) layout, does not use copyrighted materials or contain inappropriate content.

Virginia will select the top 5 winning posters from each grade group (K-5, 6-8, 9-12) and submit them to the National Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC) Cyber Security Awareness Poster Contest. The Virginia winners will receive a certificate of appreciation.

MS- ISAC will select winners in each grade group will be selected. A total of 13 winners will have their artwork displayed in their calendar which will be distributed throughout the country and used in campaigns to raise awareness among children of all ages about internet and computer safety. The top four submissions will also be made into posters promoting cybersecurity practices.

Submission Deadline

School entry forms and posters entries must be received by **midnight, Jan. 11, 2019**. Late entries will not be considered

Poster entries should be mailed to:

Kids Safe Online Poster Contest
Virginia Information Technology Agency
Commonwealth Security & Risk Management
11751 Meadowville Lane
Chester, VA 23836

Electronic submissions can be sent to:
CommonwealthSecurity@vita.virginia.gov

All entries submitted become the property of VITA and maybe used in future VITA publications. Nationally submitted posters become the property of the Multi-State Information Sharing & Analysis Center.

*POSTERS WILL NOT BE RETURNED**

Contest Timeline

Now through January 11, 2019
Students create their posters and the school can choose up to 13 posters to submit to VITA by midnight January 11, 2018.

No Later than January 26, 2019
Virginia posters will be judged and the top 15 posters will be submitted to MS-ISAC for national judging.

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Getting Started

Poster Art should illustrate the safe use of the Internet and/or mobile devices. Create original artwork that demonstrates one of the following concepts or Topics!

Suggested Topics:

Grades K-5 & 6-8

- How should you treat others online?
- What information is safe to put on social media and what should you keep private?
- How should you handle unwanted attention or strangers online?
- How can you select a strong password and keep it secure?
- How can you handle cyberbullying?

Grades 9-12

- How can you preserve your online reputation or "digital footprint" on both social media and elsewhere on the internet?
- How should you handle unwanted attention or strangers online?
- How can you select a strong password and keep it secure?
- Why is it important to keep your devices and software up to date?
- When is it safe to text and what information is safe to text?

For Additional Information

For more information, please contact contest@misisac.org or call 518-880-0699.

Format

Only original hand drawn or electronically created submissions will be accepted. Text should be dark and large enough to read. Submissions may be in the format of either a full page drawing or 4-panel comic.

Layout & Dimensions

8.5" x 11" or 11 x 14

Landscape layout only! – Calendars are printed in landscape format.

Content

- DO NOT send any artwork that contains trademarked images or brands such as Disney characters, Dell, Google, Twitter, etc.
- Students may use a variety of media such as watercolor, pen and ink, chalk marker etc. ****Note brighter colors reproduce better for the calendar.**

For additional information on copyright visit: http://www.copyrightkids.org/

- Do not include identifying information (e.g., student's full name or age) on the front of the poster.
- Teachers, support staff and parents may offer minimum technical support but cannot aid in the creative process. No professional (paid) assistance is allowed.

Follow your school's guidelines on appropriate language and content.

Questions?

Email: CommonwealthSecurity@vita.virginia.gov

Electronic Files

Please assure that electronically submitted files are converted to JPG or PDF formats.

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Student's First Name: (Please DO NOT include last name:	
Grade:	
Title of Poster:	
School Contact Name:	
School Contact Email:	
School Phone Number:	
School Name:	
School Address:	
School City, State & Zip Code:	
Total Number of Poster Entries Judged at School	
Date received at VITA: (Official Use Only)	

School Entry Form

It is requested that a teacher or school contact person verifies that this form is completely and accurately filled out. Please attach this form to the corresponding poster. Both the poster and school entry form should be mailed or electronically submitted to:

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* All Fields Are Required *