

AFEW KENYA - GIRAFFE CENTRE 2020 NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL COMPETITION

THEME: "HEALTHY PLANET, HEALTHY BIODIVERSITY, HEALTHY PEOPLE"

We would like to invite you to participate in our 2020 National Environmental Competition. Students from all over Kenya are eligible to enter and participate. The competition will run from January 2020 to March 2020. You can submit your entry in any of the following three categories: Artwork, Essay Writing and Photography.

CATEGORY 1: **ARTWORK**

Interpret the Theme "Healthy Planet, Healthy Biodiversity, Healthy People" in form of art.

This is open to the following categories: Kindergarten/Nursery, Lower Primary, Upper Primary, High School and Tertiary Institutions. Any art media such as collage, pencil work, crayons, water or oil paints and paper-mache can be used.

CATEGORY 1A: **GROUP ARTWORK**

This category is ONLY open to kindergarten/ Nursery school and Lower primary levels. Groups should consist of a minimum of 3 students and should not exceed 5 students.

CATEGORY 1B: INDIVIDUAL ARTWORK

This category is ONLY open to students in Primary (GRADE 1 - 8), High School and Tertiary institutions. Submit artworks of size A3 mounted on flat medium.

CATEGORY 2A: UPPER PRIMARY ESSAYS (GRADE 5 - 8) (300 - 400 WORDS)

- 1. Define the term environment and then discuss the benefits of a healthy environment while giving local relevant examples where possible.
- 2. Discuss the impacts of human activities on the environment and what you can do as a student to address them.
- 3. Discuss what you understand by 'A healthy environment'

CATEGORY 2B: HIGH SCHOOL ESSAYS (500 - 600 WORDS)

- 1. Discuss what you understand by the phrase: "Healthy Planet, Healthy Biodiversity, Healthy People".
- 2. Integrated approach in forest management is seen as a successful way of forest conservation. Discuss this statement giving relevant local examples.
- 3. Non bio-degradable waste material are rampant in Kenyan water ecosystems. Citing local examples where possible, discuss the problems associated with this challenge and how relevant stakeholders can work together to address it for sustainability.

CATEGORY 2C:

TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS ESSAYS (600 - 800 WORDS)

- 1. Globalization has taken the world by storm and of late there has been a shift of the balance of political and economic power from the West to the East. What does this mean for the African Continent biodiversity?
- Our limited knowledge in the current status of environment has been a very big challenge to longterm sustainable management of our natural resources Discuss this statement citing relevant local examples where possible.
- 3. "We simply have to stop digging and drilling and take advantage of the vast possibilities offered by renewable energy and nature-based solutions", António Guterres - UN Secretary. Discuss citing local examples where possible how Kenya can take advantage of this statement to exploit its rich natural resource base sustainably for the benefit of its people, environment and national economic development.

CATEGORY 3: DIGITAL NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY

This is open to tertiary level students only. All entries MUST be submitted electronically on an online storage (e.g.) goggle drive or drop box etc. and link sent to competition@giraffecentre.org.

Images of pets, domestic animals or captive animals photographed in animal orphanages and commercial game farms are NOT allowed.

Photos that have won other contests or have been published in magazines, newspapers and online publications are not eligible.

Photos that violate or infringe upon another person's rights including but not limited to copyright are not eligible.

Submit a maximum of 3 entries. Photos must be submitted in JPEG format

PRIZES TO BE WON!

- 1. The best boy and girl will be crowned "Master Environment 2020" and "Miss Environment 2020" respectively.
- 2. Individual trophies will be given to top three winners for each category.
- A one -week fully sponsored camping safari to Kenya's wonderful National Parks and Game Reserves will be won by the top students and 2 regional representatives in Upper Primary and High School.
- 4. A weekend getaway a 3 day sponsored safari to one of the Kenyan conservation area will be won by the top 25 students in tertiary category.
- 5. Certificates and Consolation Prizes like Gift Vouchers, T-Shirts, bags, books, pens, diaries etc. will be awarded to the top 100 runners up from all over the country.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

- 1. All entries must be submitted by March 31st, 2020.
- All tertiary level entries must be typed in Times New Roman, Font size 12, spacing 1.5 and submitted in PDF Format and send to Email: competition@giraffecentre.org.
- All entries must have the official student's name (in order of First, Middle and Surname), Age, Grade, School, Class, Postal address including a Postal code, Cell phone number and Email address where possible at the back of the entry.
- 4. All entries may be hand delivered or mailed/sent by courier to: The Giraffe Centre. P.O. BOX 15124, 00509 LANGATA, NAIROBI. The physical Address for delivering entries by courier is Nyumbi Road, Langata,
- Canvassing or submitting work that is not one's own will lead to disqualification.
- 6. All entries become property of the Giraffe Centre and may be used in furtherance of conservation work.
- Marking will be completed in April 2020 and the results announced in May 2020.
- 8. The Prize Giving Day will be held during the first week of June 2020.
- 9. The judge's decision is final and no appeals will be entertained. 10. Any prize offered cannot be substituted for cash and must be collected by July 30th, 2020.



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