

AFEW KENYA-GIRAFFE CENTRE 2024 NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL

Competition

THEME: "THINK GREEN GO GREEN FOR A BETTER FUTURE"

We invite you to participate in our 2024 National Environmental Awareness Competition. Students from all over Kenya are eligible to enter and participate and the competition will run from January 2024 to March 2024. You can submit your entries in any of the following three categories: Artwork, Essay Writing and Project.

CATEGORY 1: ARTWORK

Interpret the Theme "Think Green Go Green for Better Future!" Student participants can use any art media (collage, pencil work, crayons, water or oil paintings, Paper - Mache. Every student art entry must bear the 3 official names of the student participant, age, and school name & address and cellphone number of the patron and parent/guardian which must be clearly written at the back. Participants should submit art pieces minimum A3 size which should be mounted on paper. Only original student's Artworks must be submitted however, minimum teacher assistance will be allowed only for kindergarten/Pre-Primary and lower primary Artwork categories

CATEGORY 1A: INDIVIDUAL ARTWORK

This category is open to students in Lower Primary to Tertiary Level of education as outlined below:-
Lower Primary Grade 1 - 4; Upper Primary Grade 5 - 6 & Junior Secondary School; High School Form 1 - 4 and Tertiary level

CATEGORY 1A: GROUP ARTWORK/PROJECTS

This category is only open to the Kindergarten/Pre-Primary students. Each group should consist of a minimum of 3 students and should not exceed 5 students.

CATEGORY 2: ESSAY WRITING

This category is open to the Upper Primary, Junior Secondary school, High School and Tertiary levels of education (certificate to undergraduate level). The essays for the Upper Primary, Junior secondary and High School Levels of Education must be hand written.

All essays in category 2C must be typed and saved in PDF format then send via- competition@giraffecentre.org

CATEGORY 2A: UPPER PRIMARY GRADE 5&6, JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL ESSAYS (300 - 400 WORDS)

1. Deforestation is a major conservation challenge facing our country. Write an essay about problems associated with deforestation and suggest possible solutions on how to overcome the same.
2. Select a topic between water conservation and waste management. Write an essay on how you can promote sustainable conservation and management of your topic of choice within your school.

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

1. The Government of Kenya has made a commitment to plant 15 Billion trees by 2030. Using practical examples discuss how this commitment can be achieved and how it will contribute to restoration of degraded ecosystems in Kenya.
2. Climate change has been affecting natural ecosystems over the past two decades. Discuss the effects it has had on natural ecosystems and community livelihoods in Kenya. Citing local examples discuss how we can achieve adaptation and resilience for green future.

CATEGORY 2C: TERTIARY LEVEL ESSAYS (600 - 800 WORDS)

1. The idea of regenerative agriculture is gaining prominence in many parts of the world. Discuss how regenerative agriculture can contribute towards enhancing food security, biodiversity conservation and adaption to climate change.
2. Climate financing was the main area of focus during the 1st African Climate Summit recently held in Nairobi. Discuss how the Kenya government can achieve adaptation and resilience to climate change through financing locally led Climate Actions at community level.

CATEGORY 3: PROJECTS

This category is open to the High School and Tertiary levels of education in Kenya. All entries must be submitted electronically. The entries must be typed and saved in PDF format then send via competition@giraffecentre.org.

CATEGORY 3A: HIGH SCHOOL GROUP PROJECT

This section will focus on projects, the students will work in groups of 5 to come up with an environmental project with focus on one of the following thematic areas outlined below.

1. Energy
2. Forests
3. Water
4. Waste

The project will follow a simple format of; Why? - This will be the background of the study. Problem statement, which are the key issues that need to be addressed in your institution.

How? - This will be the process and procedure, tell us how you intend to solve the identified problems in your institutions, mechanisms you will use, and methodologies

Where? - This is the location and scope of environmental project

Who? - This includes who is involved, stakeholder and beneficiaries

What? - Requirements of the project including; Budget, logistics, Materials, man power and time plan

CATEGORY 3B: TERTIARY INDIVIDUAL PROJECT

The students are required to come up with environmental project proposal with major focus on one of the following key thematic areas.

1. Energy
2. Forests
3. Water
5. ICT

The projects will follow the standard project proposal of the tertiary institutions.

PRIZES TO BE WON

1. The best boy and girl will be crowned "Master Environment 2024" and "Miss Environment 2024" respectively.
2. Individual trophies will be won by the top three winners in each category.
3. 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, Junior Secondary and High School.
4. A weekend Treat fully sponsored camping safari to selected Kenya's wonderful National Parks and Game Reserves will be won by the top 15 students from tertiary institutions in Kenya.
5. The best 3 environmental projects in category 3A and 3B will be funded by the competition organizers for incubation.
6. Certificates and Consolation Prizes like Gift Vouchers, T-Shirts, Bags, Books, Pens, Diaries among others will be awarded to the top 100 runners up student winners from different learning institutions all over Kenya.
7. The Best Patron in Essay, Artwork and Project under category 3A will be awarded for their excellent performance.

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. All entries must be submitted by 31st March 2024.
2. All entries must have the official student's name (First, Middle and Surname), age, school name; class and address with a postal code, cellphone number of the patron and parent/guardian and where possible Patron's e-mail Address in block letters at the back of each entry.
3. All Artwork and Essay Entries in Category 2A and 2B should be mailed, hand delivered, speed posted or sent by courier to: The Giraffe Centre. P. o. BOX 15124, 00509
4. LANGATA, NAIROBI. The physical address for delivering mail by speed post or courier is Nyumbi Road, Karen - Langata Area.
5. All Essay Entries in Category 2C must be typed using 12pts Times New Romans at 1.5 line spacing and be mailed electronically via competition@giraffecentre.org
6. Canvassing or submitting work that is not original (one's own) will lead to disqualification.
7. School Patrons who manage to submit over 100 Student entries in either of 3 competition categories and atleast 2 of those entries emerge winners will be awarded a certificate of merit.



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