2021 PHOTO CONTEST

Eligibility: Kindergarten to 12th Grade Students who attend school or live in Lancaster County, SC

Entry Instructions

- **Complete and Submit Entry Form**. Forms may be submitted one of two ways:
  - *Electronic Form Submissions*: Complete the Entry Form and send it as attachment in an email to amanda.roberts@sc.nacdnet.net.
  - *Form/ Photo Submissions by mail:* Completed Entry Forms may be submitted by mail to

    Lancaster SWCD
    Amanda Roberts
    PO Box 2274
    Lancaster, SC 29721
- **Submit electronic photo files via email** to amanda.roberts@sc.nacdnet.net.

Entry Guidelines

The deadline to enter the 2021 Photo Contest is **April 16, 2021.** All entry forms must be submitted electronically or may be mailed to the office. Participants may enter two photos into the contest.

1. **Digital Enhancement**
   Minor digital enhancements for cropping, red-eye removal, filters and corrective functions are permitted, but images that have been judged to be altered in any significant manner will be disqualified. Contestants are not permitted to place borders, frames or backgrounds around their images or to place watermarks, dates, signatures or copyright images onto photos.

2. **Photo Rights**
   All entries become the property of Lancaster SWCD, and we reserve the non-exclusive right to use all photographs in publications or for promotional purposes.

Judging Standards

Photos must be taken in Lancaster County, SC. Photos must be on the topic of conservation or natural resources. Photos will be judged on technical merit and composition. For technical merit, judges may check to see if the photo is well-framed, properly exposed and sharp and clear. For composition, judges determine if the photo features a recognizable center of interest, action and imagination and creativity.

There will be three categories for judging/winners

Elementary School Level
Middle School Level
High School Level

Awards Will Be Awarded:

1st Place Winner-$40 gift card
2nd Place Winner-$35 gift card
3rd Place Winner-$30 gift card
The teacher with the most participation in the photo contest will receive a $40 gift card.

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ENTRY FORM

STUDENT INFORMATION:

First Name_____Middle_____Last_____

Address_____

City_____State_____Zip_____

Email Address:_____

Phone (_____)_____

School Name _____ Grade _____Age_____

Where was the photo taken? _____

When was the photo taken? _____

What is the title of your photo? _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Teacher's Name_____

Public School _____ Private School _____ Home School _____

Address_____ Phone (____)_____

City_____State_____Zip_____

When you submit your entry form you agree to grant the Lancaster Soil and Water Conservation District permission to use your name or images you have photographed in any and all publications: including website entries, without payment or any other consideration in perpetuity. You understand and agree that these materials will become the property of the Lancaster Soil and Water Conservation District and will not be returned.

All programs and services of the Lancaster Conservation District are offered on a non-discriminatory basis without regard to race, color, age, gender, national origin, religion, handicap or marital status.