

Georgia Association for Pupil Transportation
2017 SCHOOL BUS SAFETY POSTER CONTEST

WHO MAY ENTER:

Any student, grades K-8, enrolled in a Georgia public school may enter. Each County or City System may submit one poster in each of the four (4) divisions listed below. **The local Superintendent or Transportation Director must submit state entries.**

Division #1:	Grades K-2
Division #2:	Grades 3-5
Division #3:	Grades 6-8
Division #4:	Special Education

POSTER SPECIFICATIONS:

Completed poster size must be 11"x17" or 12"x18". There must be a 3"x5" card/entry blank securely fastened to the back of the poster which includes the student name, grade, age, division, school, school district, teacher name, students home address, city, state, zip. Please print clearly. Posters may be illustrated on the vertical or horizontal axis. **DO NOT ROLL POSTERS; THEY MUST BE MAILED/DELIVERED FLAT. DO NOT PLACE NAME, SCHOOL, ETC., ON THE FRONT OF THE POSTER. DISPLAY INFORMATION ON THE BACK ONLY.**

Designs should be submitted on quality tag, poster illustration board or heavy paper. Construction paper may be used but winning entries must be mounted on quality tag paper. Lamination is not permitted, and will disqualify the poster. Cut paper/stencils (freehand or pre-drawn stick-on stencils) are not permitted and will disqualify the poster.

There is no limitation on the use and numbers of colors.

There is no limitation on the type of media -- such as print, crayon, felt pen, etc. -- used on the poster design; however, wood, glass, plastic, or metal should not be part of the poster. Collage materials should not be used. Glued on pieces will eliminate the poster.

Poster design may not incorporate any copyrighted characters (i.e., comic and/or television characters), photographs, and magazine or newspaper illustrations.

POSTER THEME:

Every poster and slogan must harmonize with the 2017 poster contest theme:

MY DRIVER – MY SAFETY HERO!

(Contestants must illustrate above theme only, and **the theme must be exactly as shown above on the poster and must be included on the poster**)

Drawings must be original, correct in safety concept and the exclusive work of the student entering the contest in idea, design, and execution. All artwork should be positive in approach, demonstrating only proper school bus safety behaviors. At least **a part of a yellow school bus must be present in the poster.**

An art teacher or instructor should supervise all work.

LETTERINGS AND DRAWING:

The poster design may incorporate freehand drawn letters only. Stenciled, pre-printed, manufactured stick-on or press on letters or tracings may not be used and will disqualify the poster. Lettering should be clearly legible, even if used as part of the poster design.

CONTEST INFRASTRUCTURE:

The National School Bus Safety Poster Contest is sponsored each year by the National Association for Pupil Transportation, The National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services and the National School Transportation Association. The National School Bus Safety Poster Contest is supported by a State/Province level infrastructure. **The national contest is open only to winners of state/province contests or contests held by overseas US military installations. No other posters will be accepted.**

POSTERS MUST BE MAILED/DELIVERED TO:

Pat Schofill, Director
Facilities Services and Pupil Transportation
Georgia Department of Education
205 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive SE
1670 Twin Towers East
Atlanta, GA 30334

CONTEST DEADLINE:

Posters must be received at the GaDOE Office no later than September 29, 2017 before 4:00 pm.

JUDGING:

Posters will be judged by the Georgia Department of Education, Comprised of prominent individuals in the fields of Elementary Education, safety, and art. **The winning poster in each division will be entered in the National School Bus Safety Week Poster Contest.** Poster themes, specifications, and divisions are specified by the National Contest Rules.

Criteria for selection of award winning poster are:

- a. Relationship of the poster design to school bus safety practices.
- b. Originality of the poster and how the idea is expressed in the poster design.
- c. Art work and its execution.
- d. Visual Impact of the poster design.

All rules regarding the poster specification, themes, lettering, etc. must be followed. **The penalty for non-compliance will be disqualification of the poster.**

Each system is allowed to submit only ONE poster for each of the four (4) divisions.

Prizes:

Payment for state winners will be awarded IN EACH OF THE FOUR DIVISIONS as follows:

1 st Place	-	\$100
2 nd Place	-	\$ 75
3 rd Place	-	\$ 50

Please attach the Contest Entry Form given below to the back of each poster in accordance with poster specifications in the contest rules.

2017 Georgia School Bus safety Poster Contest – Contest Entry Form
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Student Name: _____
Grade: _____ Age: _____ Please Circle: Division 1 2 3 4
School System: _____
School: _____
School Address: _____
City: _____ State: Georgia Zip: _____
Teacher's name: _____
Student's home address _____
City: _____ State: Georgia Zip: _____

**Deadline for submission is FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2017
(before 4:00 pm)**