

## **POSTER CONTEST RULES**

In honor of National Planning Month, The City of Jackson's Planning and Development Department in conjunction with the Department of Urban and Regional Planning at Jackson State University will host a poster competition open to middle and high school students. The goal of civic engagement is to highlight the necessity of engaging the public, elected officials, and key leaders in discussions and activities that shape the future of our cities.

**POSTER RULES:** No larger than 36 inches x 48 inches or 48 inches x 48 inches No TRIFOLDS!

Any weight of paper is permitted however, posters must be mounted on foam boards. Posters must be an original design and creation of the entrant.

Any non-original computer graphics/artwork utilized must be cited in American Planning Association (APA) format.

Tripods to display posters are strongly encouraged!

Posters can be a combination of pictures and words, but they must create a coherent visition for your ideas or what civic engangement can be in Jackson.

A copy of the entry form must be affixed to the back of the poster submission.

# **CATEGORIES**:

- I. Individual Middle School "Civic Engagement" topic
- II. Individual High School (Four separate topics of interest for poster design) Organizational Involvement Individual Volunteerism Electorial Participation Creative Representation \*High school students may enter in no more than two categories!

### JUDGING CRITERIA:

Related to the theme "Civic Engagement" Originality/creativity/practicality/novel idea Clarity/ organization of thought Degree of difficulty Visual presentation Language, grammar and writing style

#### **DAY OF CONTEST:**

Contestants will be asked to set up posters from 8:30 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. at the Jackson State University Student Center. Judging will take place from 9:15 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. by a panel. Winners will be announced at 12:45 p.m. in the Theater Room. Students will participate in planning related activities in the Theater Room while the judging takes place. Lunch is on your own! There are several food vendors on the first floor of the JSU Student Center open to the public. Dismissal will be immediately after the winners have been announced. Children will then return to their respective schools.

### POSTER CONTEST ENTRY FORM "CIVIC ENGAGEMENT"

### (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST\_\_\_\_\_

MIDDLE INITIAL \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE OF POSTER \_\_\_\_\_

### \*CATEGORY TOPICS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY!

Mark yes for choice (s)

Organizational Involvement	
Individual Volunteerism	
Electoral Participation	
Creative Representation	

You may enter only two categories!

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

AGE \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE
CONTACT PHONE NUMBER ( )
ALTERNATE NUMBER ( )
PARENTS/GUARDIAN'S NAME
EMAIL OF PARENT/GUARDIAN
By signing below, you have agreed to let your child participate in this poster competition.
Name: Date: (SIGNATURE HERE)

(PRINT PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S NAME)

Principal's signature:	Date:	
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