

WYOMING NATIVE PLANT POSTER CONTEST

For all 6th - 8th grade students

Win \$250!



Create a poster around the theme:
“Help Wildlife: Grow Native Plants”
illustrating how plants native to Wyoming
are essential to wildlife



Did you know?

- Wyoming is home to more than 2,500 native plant species.
- Native plants are essential for healthy, diverse, and resilient ecosystems—they clean air, filter water, stabilize soils, support wildlife, and increase biodiversity.
- Nectar, pollen, seeds, and foliage from native plants provide nutritious food and necessary shelter for insects, birds, amphibians, and mammals.
- See “Helpful Resources” below for tips on how native plants help wildlife thrive.

Contest Prizes:

- Three winners will each receive a \$250 cash prize
- The teacher of each winner will also receive a \$250 cash prize
- Framed poster of student’s original artwork
- A copy of the Wyoming Native Plant Society Native Plant Poster
- Winning posters will be featured on the Wyoming Native Plant Society website and shared via social media channels

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Helpful Resources:

- Aligned with Wyoming Science Content and Performance Standards for Life Sciences: Ecology: Interactions, Energy, and Dynamics, see pp. 39-43
- Learn about the best native plants for birds in your area.
- Enter your zip code to find plants native to your region that attract butterflies and moths.
- Learn more here about how native plants are critical to healthy ecosystems.
- Call your local Conservation District to find out what plants are native to your region.
- Watch this short video by University of Delaware Professor Doug Tallamy to learn why native plants are critical to healthy ecosystems.
- Look at this interactive poster to learn how Wyoming native plants support Wyoming wildlife.
- Watch this short video by WWF Wild Classroom: “What is Biodiversity?”

Contest Rules:

- All Wyoming 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students may submit one entry.
- Artwork must be between 8.5” x 11” and 12” x 18” on paper that allows for duplication.
- Poster must be original artwork created by a 6th - 8th grade Wyoming student.
- The poster must relate to the theme “Help Wildlife: Grow Native Plants”.
- The Entry Form must list the Wyoming native plants and wildlife featured in the poster.
- Entries may be done in marker, crayon, paint pens, watercolor, ink, acrylic, colored pencil, and/or tempera paint.
- Entries must be postmarked by **April 2, 2024** and mailed to:

Kimberly McMorrow
3465 N. Pines Way, Suite 104
Wilson, WY 83014

Please note: Collages, computer or photo-generated art, works completed by multiple students, submissions that contain names of commercial products, companies, and/or organizations, or matted, mounted, laminated, framed or folded entries will NOT be considered.



Entry Form

Deadline: Please attach a copy of this completed form to the back of the poster. Entries must be postmarked no later than April 2, 2024 and mailed to: Kimberly McMorrow, 3465 N. Pines Way, Suite 104, Wilson, WY 83014.

Artist's Name: _____ Artist's School: _____

Artist's City (Must be in Wyoming): _____

Grade: _____ Age: _____

List the Wyoming native plants and wildlife in the artwork (for example: Mountain big sagebrush, Sage thrasher, Sheridan's green hairstreak):

Teacher's Name: _____

Teacher's Email and Phone Number: _____

If this student wins, where should the check and poster be mailed?

How did you hear about the contest?

