



## Forsyth County Fire Department - Release Form

This form must be securely fastened to the back of each poster.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Topic Selected: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School (N/A if homeschooled): \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I release the sponsors, program organizers, volunteers, and site property owners (as well as all their affiliates, directors, officers, trustees, employees, representatives or agents) from all liability and/or damages associated with my participation in the program. More specifically I release Forsyth County, the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners and all their respective officers, members, directors, employees, agents and elected or appointed officials there of from all actions or claims of any kind that relate to my participation in the program.

I hereby certify that this poster was created entirely by the student above and is the student's original artwork and there are no copyrighted characters or logos used.

I agree that it may be offered for public display or publication at some time during or after the contest. I understand that this poster becomes the property of the Forsyth County Fire Department and may be reproduced. The only information that will be released is your child's name, school and grade.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

----- **Please see contest rules on back** -----

# Safety Poster Contest Rules

All third-grade students in county public and private schools and homeschooled children are eligible for participation. **All contest rules must be followed in order for the submission to be accepted.**

Posters should be submitted to the below address no later than close of business April 3. **Each poster must have the Release Form securely fastened to the back of the poster.** The release can also be found on the Fire Department page of the Forsyth County website at [forsythco.com](http://forsythco.com). A poster that is not accompanied by a completed release form will not be eligible for further judging.

**Forsyth County Fire Department**  
**Attn: Erin Long**  
**3520 Settingdown Road**  
**Cumming, GA 30028**

**Themes for 2026:**  
**Please choose one theme.**

- **Meeting Place**
- **Firefighters Are Your Friends**
- **Pool Safety**

## Winners:

- The three (3) winners will be offered a dessert party for their class with local firefighters. If the child is homeschooled, we can make other arrangements for a dessert party location.
- All winners will receive a "Certificate of Accomplishment" from the Forsyth County Fire Chief.
- Winners will also have the honor of having their artwork posted to the Fire Department's social media channels.

## Poster requirements:

- Minimum poster size: 8 ½"x 11" | Maximum poster size: 18" x 24"
- Posters may be landscape or portrait layout.
- Posters created by students must be their own original artwork. **Copyrighted characters (such as Mickey Mouse) or copyrighted clipart will not be accepted.**
- Students may use a variety of media, such as watercolor, pen and ink, crayon, markers, etc. Light pencil marks and chalk will not show up on copies. Keep in mind that posters will be on display and should be easy to see or read.

## Judging Procedure:

- All posters with accompanied releases affixed to back that are received by the deadline will be reviewed by firefighters and Fire Department staff.
- The posters will be judged based on the following criteria:
  - o Clear message conveyed by the text and work.
  - o Use of one of the poster themes.
  - o Creativity, originality and artistic quality.
  - o Visual clarity – easy to see and read.
  - o A Winner and a Runner-up will be awarded on each of the three themes.
- Winners will be notified by email or telephone.

**If you have any questions or need additional information on fire safety and prevention, please contact:**  
**Fire Prevention Training Officer Erin Long: [ENLong@forsythco.com](mailto:ENLong@forsythco.com) or (770) 205-4688.**