



Rethink Waste Student Competition
Madison County Department of Solid Waste

The Madison County Department of Solid Waste invites students to participate in a '**Rethink Waste Challenge**' to help celebrate their 30th year of recycling. To enter the competition, the Department of Solid Waste is asking K-12 students to submit either a video or a piece of artwork to help promote recycling education within the community.

As part of the challenge, students will be encouraged to learn more about their local recycling program. Students must submit their completed project along with the required entry forms by 5 p.m. on **Wednesday, April 15th, 2020**.

The Department will highlight student entries on their Facebook page and announce the winners on Earth Day (April 22nd, 2020).

This competition is open to all K-12 students in Madison County. Submissions will be placed into one of three categories based on the student grade level: Grades K-4, Grades 5-8 and Grades 9-12. Students can enter as a group or as an individual, but only one entry per student is allowed. For more information about the competition, visit:
www.madisoncounty.ny.gov/rethinkwastechallenge.

If you have any questions, contact: Kristin Welch, Recycling Coordinator at kristin.welch@madisoncounty.ny.gov.

We look forward to seeing how you 'Rethink Waste' at home!

Best,
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Competition Rules

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Students wishing to participate in the 'Rethink Waste Challenge' will have the choice to do ONE of the following projects:

1) *Recycled Artwork*

Design and create a piece of artwork (such as a drawing, painting, sculpture, mosaic, wearable 'clothing', collage, etc.) using recyclable materials. Elements such as paint and glue can be used but the piece of artwork should largely be comprised of recyclable items.

Once the artwork is complete, students should submit photos of their piece along with a brief description explaining why they chose those recyclable materials and how their project ties into the theme of rethinking waste.

2) *Video Submission*

Record and submit a video, not to exceed 2 minutes, about how they have been recycling at home and rethinking waste. The video can include a variety of topics related to rethinking waste including recycling, composting, reusing materials or reducing the amount of waste generated. Files should be uploaded as a .mov or .wav format.

How to Enter: Go to www.madisoncounty.ny.gov/rethinkwastechallenge and fill out the entry form along with the supporting documents, photos and videos. Projects and completed documents are due by April 15th, 2020. If it is a group project, each student must have a completed release form submitted.

Judging Criteria: The Department of Solid Waste will judge the submissions based on the following criteria: the effective use & knowledge of recyclable materials; creativity & originality used to make the artwork/video; and the connection to the theme of 'rethinking waste' through reduction, reuse and/or recycling.

Artwork and video submissions will be showcased on the Department's Facebook page and website.

Prior to starting the project, the Department of Solid Waste encourages students to learn about their recycling program through online resources such as the "How Do I Recycle/Dispose of..." search tool and sorting game. Recycling information is available at: MadisonCountyRecycles.ny.gov



'Rethink Waste' Artwork/Video Registration Form
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Name of Participant(s): _____

Title of Artwork/Video: _____

Grade: _____ Teacher (if participating as part of a class): _____

School (if participating as part of a class): _____

Parent/Guardian (if participating individually): _____

Contact Information of Adult Group Leader:

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

If you submitted a piece of artwork, please identify the materials you used and the proper way to recycle them:



Student Release Form
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Please complete a release form for each participant in the project.

By signing below, I give permission to the Madison County Department of Solid Waste to use or reproduce photographs, videotapes and audiotapes submitted for the 'Rethink Waste Challenge.' These photos and videos may be used for the Madison County Department of Solid Waste website, videos, publicity, press releases, social media, educational activities and informational materials including, but not limited to, flyers, brochures, newsletters, advertisements or other promotions.

I understand that I and/or my child (children) will not receive compensation for the use of any photos or images.

Description of Photo/Video:

Printed Name of the Student: _____

Home Address: _____

Printed Name of the Parent/Guardian: _____

Signature of the Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____