

Central Florida Earth Day 2017

SmART Competition Guidelines

(Science Meets Art)

SmART is an art or craft made from re-using or re-purposing items originally used for something else. Up-cycling is taking used objects and creating something better. Students, show us how SmART you are!

This year's theme is "Something Fun is Cooking in the Kitchen!" Students should create educational or entertaining toys or games re-using items found in the kitchen.

SmART will be judged using the following criteria. There will be four prizes awarded in each age group, plus three Best Of Show prizes.

Winning SmART will be displayed in the Young Artists Gallery at City Arts Factory from April 24 to May 12, 2017.

Three Age Groups: Grades 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12.

Judging Criteria: Use of pre-used objects, creativity, aesthetics, functionality, environmental impact/benefits.

Awards for each age group:

Awesome Artisan (most useable/functional piece)

Mad Scientist (most transformative use of objects)

Amazing Artist (most artistic piece)

Guardian of the Planet (most environmentally friendly)

Best of Show: First, second and third place prizes for highest scores overall.

Grand Prize! The first place best of show submission will win a "SmARTist" plaque for their school to hang with pride. The plaque will be retrieved in March 2018 so it can be passed on to the next winning school.

Submission Criteria:

The submitted work must be made predominantly of pre-used items. We are looking for work that takes something used and makes it better!

SmART should not contain items that are harmful to the environment, including animal products (no feathers, bones, nests, leather etc.) See www.CFEarthDay.org/WhyVegan

Research is part of this project! Please put thought into what you make. Both hanging and free-standing 3D pieces will be accepted.

Every submission should include the rules of the game or how to use the toy, written on an index card (or two).

3D projects must be submitted inside a box with closable lid in order to protect them during transport. For example, a shoe box, or a 10"x 12"x 15" banker's box. If your project is oversized please email SmARTcentral@icloud.com for approval prior to submitting your application.

Hanging projects must be no bigger than 24"x 24", and if flexible should be mounted on a sturdy background and include picture wire attached to the back for hanging at the festival. If your project contains items that may become loose during transport it must be submitted within a protective box.

Please write your name, grade, school and phone # on the box.

****Central Florida Earth Day, it's affiliates and volunteers will not be held liable for damage to your work. We will not accept projects that are not in a protective box.**

Deadlines:

March 31 - online registration for intent to submit work is due.
www.CFEarthDay.org/SmART

April 19/20 - projects submitted to SmART Central (after you submit your online application you will be given times and location to drop off your work. Teachers may drop off for their students).

April 22 - Central Florida Earth Day! Art will be displayed outdoors at SmART Central at Lake Eola Park. Winners will be announced during a ceremony that afternoon.

*Please try to make your work wind-proof. It will be displayed outside.
WE ENCOURAGE SMARTISTS TO ATTEND THE JUDGING SO THEY CAN EXPLAIN
THEIR SMART. JUDGING TIME TBD.

Projects must be picked up at the festival after the awards ceremony, or, if kept for display, from City Arts Factory on May 13 or 15 between the hours of 11am and 6pm.

SMART Checklist:

Please check off these items before submitting SMART.

Pre-register your SMART at www.CFEarthDay.org/SMART by March 31st, 2017

Is your hanging SMART no bigger than 24"x 24"?

Is your hanging SMART mounted on a non-flexible surface?

Does your hanging SMART have picture wire attached to the back?

If your hanging SMART has pieces that might fall off, is it in a protective box?

Does your 3D SMART fit in a 10"x 12"x 15" banker's box with lid?

If not, contact SMARTCentral@icloud.com before filling out application.

Does your box have your name, grade, school and phone # on it?

Did you include a written description of how to play with your game or toy?

Did you include the SMART release form signed by your parent?

Have fun with your project! We are looking forward to seeing all of the great SMART!