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The Texas Association for Pupil Transportation (TAPT) enjoys the opportunity to take part each year in the National School Bus Safety Poster Contest.

#### Who May Enter:

Any student enrolled in a public, parochial or other private elementary or middle school (plus High school for Divisions 4 and 5 only) in the United States of America, Canada or an overseas US military installation may submit artwork to the National School Bus Safety Poster Contest.

#### Poster Theme:

Every poster and slogan must harmonize with the 22-23 poster contest theme:

### *Safely Rolling to My Destination*

Contestants must illustrate the above theme only. The theme on the poster must be exactly as shown above, to include all punctuation.

#### Poster Specifications:

- Completed poster size must be 11" x 17".
- Posters may be illustrated on the vertical or horizontal axis.
- Designs should be submitted on quality tag, poster illustration board or heavy paper. Construction paper may be used but winning entries must be mounted on quality tag poster.
- Lamination is not permitted and will **disqualify the poster**.
- There is no limitation on the use and number of colors.
- There is no limitation on the type of media -- such as print, crayon, felt pen, etc. -- used on the poster design.
- Wood, plastic, glass, or metal should not be part of the poster.
- Collage materials should not be used.
- Glued on pieces will disqualify the poster.

#### Lettering and Drawing:

- The poster design may incorporate freehand letters only.
- Stenciled, pre-printed, manufactured stick-on or press-on letters or tracings may not be used and will disqualify the poster.
- Lettering should be clearly legible, even if used as part of the poster design.
- Cut paper / stencils (freehand or pre-drawn stick-on stencils) are not permitted and will disqualify the poster.

Poster designs may not incorporate any copyrighted characters (i.e., comic and/or television characters), photographs, and magazine or newspaper illustrations.

- Drawings must be original, **correct in safety concept** and the exclusive work of the student entering the contest in idea, design, and execution.
- All artwork should be positive in approach, demonstrating only proper school bus safety behaviors.

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- At least a part of a yellow school bus must be present in the poster.

There must be Contestant/School District Contact Information form securely fastened to the back of the form. (See original copy below). Please print information clearly.

Do not place name, school, etc., on the front of the poster.

Display information on the back only.

An art instructor or art teacher should supervise all work.

### When Can Posters Be Drawn?

Posters can be drawn anytime between **September 6, 2022** - **December 31, 2022**, up to the deadline to submit an entry.

**Contest Deadline:** December 31, 2022.

School Districts may enter one (1) First place poster from each Division. These posters must be delivered to your School District Transportation Director by **Dec. 31, 2022**.

### Divisions:

- Division #1 - Grades K-2
- Division #2 - Grades 3-5
- Division #3 - Grade 6-8
- Division #4 - Special Education (Grades K-12)
- Division #5 - CAD (Computer Aided Drawing).

*Please Note: Division #5 - CAD entries are eligible for competition within those respective divisions but are not eligible to be the Overall Contest Winner.*

### REGIONAL CHAPTERS DEADLINE:

Local TAPT Affiliated Chapters will vote on these posters during the **January 2023 meeting**. To locate information for your local affiliated chapter, please go to [www.tapt.com](http://www.tapt.com) website under the home tab. Or contact [Marisa@tapt.com](mailto:Marisa@tapt.com)

**First place winners from each Local Chapter must be received by the Poster Contest Chairperson no later than Feb. 1, 2023. Mail to:**

**Spring Branch ISD - Transportation Dept.**

**ATTN: Sherri Lawson, Director**

**1006 N. Gessner, Bldg. B**

**Houston, TX 77055**

**STATE LEVEL JUDGING:** TAPT ACTIVE level Members will **vote on-line** between February 15 – 28, 2023 to select the state level winning posters.

Winners that are selected at the State Level will be posted at [www.tapt.com](http://www.tapt.com) after March 15, 2023.

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“First Place” winning posters from the State Level must be sent to NAPT Headquarters by March 31, 2023.

### Contest Infrastructure:

The National School Bus Safety Poster Contest is sponsored each year by the American School Bus Council (ASBC), National Association for Pupil Transportation (NAPT), the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services (NASDPTS), and the National School Transportation Association (NSTA).

Each participating US state, Canadian province, or overseas US military installation may submit one (only *first-place* winners) winning poster in each of the following categories:

- **Division #1** - Grades K-2
- **Division #2** - Grades 3-5
- **Division #3** - Grade 6-8
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All posters and related intellectual property rights become the property of TAPT and the National Association for Pupil Transportation upon receipt and are not returned to the artist, his/her parents / legal guardians, art instructor or art teacher, school, state or contest sponsor, or any other person(s) claiming a right, title, or other interest in the poster. Posters that have been used for any promotional purposes may not be submitted.

### Judging:

Criteria for the selection of award-winning posters are:

- Relationship of the poster design to the school bus safety practices. (Safety Impact)
- Originality of the poster and how the idea is expressed in the poster design. (Originality)
- Artwork and its execution. (Artistic Quality)
- Visual impact of the poster design. (Visual Impact)
- The National School Bus Safety Week (NSBSW) Committee has the right to disqualify any entry that does not comply with all contest requirements.

### Prizes for winners will be awarded are as follow:

- 1st Place and Overall, Winner \$ 500 check
- 1st Place Winners of remaining 3 divisions \$ 250 check
- 2nd Place Winners of each 4 divisions \$ 100 check
- 3rd Place Winners of each 4 divisions \$ 50 check
- 1st Place Winner – CAD division \$ 50 check

The 1st Place / Overall National Safety winning poster will be used to promote National School Bus Safety Week in 2023!!

For more information, please contact Sherri Lawson – [Poster@tapt.com](mailto:Poster@tapt.com).