

“Lead with Compassion” is the Peace Poster 2022-2023 theme

One of the great things Lions International has for young people is the Lions Peace Poster Contest. The contest is open to young people ages 11 through 13 (by Nov. 15). This year’s theme is “Lead with Compassion” so youngsters would be able to express their visions of the theme through artwork. Young people can create posters to express what the theme means to them. These young artists are encouraged to use bright colors, animals, faces, symbols, flags and other items for the posters. No numbers, names or letters are allowed on the posters. Each poster size is to be no larger than 20x24 inches.

Your Lions Club provides the Peace Poster kit to the school or youth group. Kits can be purchased by October 1 through the LCI Store (www.LionsClubs.org) and then search for Peace Posters. Under Peace Posters, there is a link to order the kit.

Posters are judged on originality, artistic merit and the theme. Submitted posters are first judged at the club level. The club’s winning poster moves on to district competition. The top district poster moves onto the multiple district contest to compete with the winners from each of the six MD5 districts. The winner from the multiple district contest moves on to international competition. The top two posters from each MD5 district will also be featured in the 2023-2024 MD5 Lions Peace Poster calendar. The MD5 Peace Poster calendar is available for a \$10 contribution that supports LCIF.

Clubs often provide monetary awards for first, second and third place. Small token awards, such as candy bars or Rice Krispies Treats, are usually given to everyone who participates. The 5SE district provides a \$50 prize. The grand prize LCI Peace Poster winner at the international level gets \$5,000 and a trip to the United Nations. There are LCI 23 merit awards recipients receiving \$500 each.

Mail your club winning poster so it is delivered before October 31, 2022 to Lion Maxine Johnson, 2111 North University Rd., Vermillion, SD 57069. Be sure that the poster is sent in a round tube (rolled, not folded). Please contact Lion Maxine at mczap4166@gmail.com with questions. The 5SE posters will be judged on Thursday, November 3 in Vermillion.