2023-2024 RADON POSTER CONTEST



What is Radon?

Radon is a colorless, odorless, tasteless gas that comes from the breakdown of uranium in the ground. It is the number one cause of lung cancer in non-smokers and is responsible for more than 20,000 deaths annually. The only way to know your house is safe is to test your home for Radon.

Radon Awareness

The Kentucky Radon Program educates citizens throughout the commonwealth in a variety of ways such as:

- Exhibits at local libraries, health centers, state fair, etc.
- Radon presentations at a variety of conferences.
- Distributing Radon literature and promotional materials.
- Collaborating with Local Health Departments to promote Radon awareness.
- Radon poster contest at Kentucky school districts.
- Offering a free short-term radon test kit to all Kentucky homeowners.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION November 15, 2023

POSTER SUBMISSION

Kentucky Radon Program c/o Amber Ballinger 275 East Main St. HS1C-D Frankfort, KY 40621

Why Your Student Should Participate in the 2023-2024 Radon Poster Contest?

This is an excellent opportunity for teachers to incorporate radon education into their classroom curriculum. Students will be able to use the knowledge they learn about radon to create informative posters that are unique and help the community to better understand what radon is. Poster contest winners will be recognized in their school and throughout Kentucky for their achievements. Winning posters will be used as promotional material to promote radon awareness.

Poster Contest Eligibility

Students ages 9-14 are eligible to participate in the contest. Students may be enrolled in public, private, territorial, tribal, or home school. They may also enter through a participating club such as art, science, scouting, or 4-H. For Radon resources and information, contact your local health department or the Kentucky Radon Program at 502.564.4856.

Contest Requirements

The theme of the poster contest is radon awareness, radon risk_education, as well as the hazards associated with radon. To qualify for the contest, it is required that one of the following radon topics be depicted in the artwork:

- What is radon?
- Where does radon come from?
- How does radon get into out homes?
- Radon can cause lung cancer.
- Test your home for radon.

Poster Requirements

- Title on the <u>FRONT</u> of the Artwork.
- Student's name on <u>BACK</u> of the Artwork.
- Must be submitted on white paper- 8.5x11.
- Can be created with crayons, markers, paint, collage materials, photographs, or computer graphics.
- Message should be legible with correct spelling.
- Copyrighted images or logos are not to be used.
- Be Original.

APPLICATION FOR SUBMISSION WILL BE PROVIDED ON THE KY RADON PROGRAM WEBSITE. ALL APPLICATIONS AND POSTERS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO AMBER BALLINGER AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

ATTN: AMBER BALLINGER 275 EAST MAIN ST. HS1C-D FRANKFORT, KY 40621

Local Health Department Partnership

If you live in the following district or county, submit your poster entry to your local health department:

- Boyle County
- Estill County
- Fayette County
- Gateway District
- Green River District
- Jefferson County
- KY River District
- Lake Cumberland District
- Lincoln County
- Monroe County
- Northern Kentucky District
- Three Rivers District
- Wedco District

For more information on radon visit our website: <u>WWW.CHFS.KY.GOV/RADO</u>N

