



**1st Place Winner: Aiden**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TENBdte\\_iH4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TENBdte_iH4)

**2nd Place Winner: Varshitha**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a1sl7aFsdjQ>

**3rd Place Winner: Nicholas & Benjamin**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PhtJRA7mkDY>

# 2023-2024 RADON VIDEO CONTEST

## What is Radon?

Radon is a cancer-causing, radioactive gas that comes from the natural breakdown of uranium in soil, rock and water. Radon gets into the air you breathe through cracks, crevices and openings in the foundation of homes and building. Radon gas is not visible and has no odor or taste. It is the second-leading cause of lung cancer in the United States, estimated to cause thousands of deaths annually. The only way to know your house is safe is to test your home for radon.

SUBMISSION  
DEADLINE:  
NOVEMBER 15, 2023

## CONTEST PRIZES

WINNERS WILL BE  
RECOGNIZED AT THEIR  
SCHOOL WITH A PLAQUE AS  
WELL AS THE FOLLOWING  
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS:  
FIRST PLACE- \$2,000    SECOND  
PLACE- \$1,000  
THIRD PLACE- \$500

SUBMIT YOUR  
STUDENT'S RADON  
VIDEO TODAY!

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WEBSITE:  
[WWW.CHFS.KY.GOV/RADON](http://WWW.CHFS.KY.GOV/RADON)

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

## Our Purpose and Goal:

The radon video contest serves to raise awareness of the harmful effects of elevated levels of indoor radon gas and promote testing and mitigation of indoor radon. By participating in this activity, students will learn about radon and how to reduce their risk of exposure while helping to educate the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

This project is an excellent opportunity for teachers to incorporate radon education into their classroom curriculum. Children will be able to use the knowledge they have learned about radon to create informative video content that is unique and will help the community to better understand what radon is. Video contest winners will be recognized in their school and throughout KY for their achievements.

## Video Contest Eligibility:

Youth ages 14-18 are eligible to enter the video contest. Youth may be enrolled in a public, private, territorial, tribal, Department of Defense (DoD), or homeschool. They may also enter through a participating club such as art, computer, reading or science clubs, scouting organizations, or 4-H clubs. Only one entry per child may be submitted. For radon resources and information, contact your local health department or the KY State Radon Program at (502) 564-4856.

## Video Contest Requirements:

- All participants must complete and submit a W-9 Form, which can be found at <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf> .
- Create a 30 second Public Service Announcement/commercial style video on a required topic (see below) that encourages residents to test and/or mitigate their homes for radon.
- The following list of resources will aid in video development:
  - YouTube: [www.youtube.com/t/creators\\_corner](http://www.youtube.com/t/creators_corner)
  - BBC: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/films/oneminutemovies/howto/>
  - ALA has great information on their website on the Illinois video contest that you can use as a guide <https://www.lung.org/local-content/il/radon-video> .
- Video must be posted to YouTube on the student's personal account.
- Be original.

## Resources:

U.S. EPA: [www.epa.gov/radon](http://www.epa.gov/radon)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

<https://www.cdc.gov/radon>

Radon Leaders:

[www.radonleaders.org](http://www.radonleaders.org)

National Radon Program

Services: [sosradon.org](http://sosradon.org)

CRCPD: [www.crcpd.org](http://www.crcpd.org)

### Video Topics:

1. What is radon?
2. Where does radon come from?
3. How does radon get into our homes?
4. Radon can cause lung cancer.
5. Test your home for radon.
6. Mitigating radon in your home.

### Judging Criteria:

1. Content accuracy on radon
2. Communication of topic
3. Originality

**APPLICATION FOR SUBMISSION WILL BE PROVIDED ON THE KY RADON PROGRAM WEBSITE. ALL APPLICATIONS AND VIDEO LINKS MAY BE SUBMITTED VIA EMAIL TO SARAH.WILHOITE@KY.GOV.**

**For more information on radon visit our website:  
[WWW.CHFS.KY.GOV/RADON](http://WWW.CHFS.KY.GOV/RADON)**



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