



National Missing Children's Day Poster Contest

As part of the **National Missing Children's Day** annual commemoration on May 25, 2021 the Department of Justice will once again sponsor **a national poster contest** and will announce the winner at the annual National Missing Children's Day ceremony in Washington, D.C.

The winner of this national contest, along with his or her teacher and parents, are flown to Washington to attend this special ceremony. Schools are invited to join in the efforts to educate children across the country about safety issues by giving your fifth-grade students an opportunity to participate in this poster contest.

Local schools participating will decide the selection process for submitting a student entry for judging at the state level. The Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Missing Endangered Persons Information Clearinghouse along with the Florida Department of Education and other organizations, will work together to select a winner to represent the state of Florida.

The Theme for the poster contest "Bring Our Missing Children Home" must appear somewhere on the poster. Submissions must be handcrafted and measure 8 1/2 x 14 inches. It is suggested schools start as soon as possible on school-level poster contests and classroom discussions. Those schools interested in participating are asked to **submit** their poster(s) for state-level judging, postmarked **by February 15, 2021**, to the following:

Ms. Brendie Hawkins
Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Missing and Endangered Persons Information
Clearinghouse
2331 Phillips Road
Tallahassee, Florida 32308
850-597-4640
Brendiehawkins@fdle.state.fl.us

For relevant information see the following:

- **NCMD Poster Contest Rules**
- **NMCS Poster Contest Application pp. 6-8**