

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - WISCONSIN STATE COUNCIL
CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST RULES AND REGULATIONS**

ELIGIBILITY:

This contest is open to all students in grades 1 through 4 who attend private or public schools, or are home schooled. This includes religious education classes as well.

THEME:

“THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS”
(Do NOT use the words of the theme on the poster!)

JUDGING:

Each grade level will be judged separately. The criteria will be:

A. Expression of Theme	20 points
B. Originality	30 points
C. Artistic Quality	<u>50 points</u>
Total	100 points

The use of at least 2 judges with some knowledge of art and the contest rules is highly recommended.

First place winners are eligible for further competition at the Diocesan level..

SIZE/MATERIALS:

Entries may not exceed 12” x 18”. Standard construction paper or tag board are suggested instead of expensive poster board. (Both are much easier to roll for mailing purposes.)

MEDIA:

Crayons	Watercolors	Colored pens
Colored pencils	Magic markers	Pen and ink

- Please Note:
1. Posters should be the student's original work.
 2. NO “paste-ons” or pastels may be used.
 3. NO tracing of pictures or letters.

SUGGESTIONS:

While the majority of past entries depicted the manger scene, several focused on the Baby Jesus or the Madonna and the Child. Others showed Mary and Joseph or the Magi on the way to Bethlehem. Another showed shepherds startled by angels in the sky. Some included family gatherings, a country church on Christmas Eve or Santa paying homage to the Christ Child. A number of posters emphasized Peace on Earth or incorporated Christmas carols.

IDENTIFICATION:

An official identification label must be neatly attached in the upper left hand corner as viewed from the back of the poster. Use a glue stick or cellophane tape-NO staples or paper clips please!

The label is on the back of this page. Fill in the Council and District numbers, and the Diocese before you have your labels printed.