



# Hillsborough County Conservation District

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## **Volunteer Project:** Conservation Poster Contest Coordinator

### **Background/Introduction:**

Every year, the District offers a Conservation Poster Contest themed after the Stewardship topic for the year. In 2008, the theme will be “Water is Life” which will focus on understanding how watersheds work, becoming aware of water quality and quantity in your community and understanding the importance of our water supply. The contest is currently open to just Grades 4-6, but would like to expand to offer the program to Grades K-12.

**Project responsibilities:** Conduct research on the stewardship theme and put together a promotional packet to send to all interested teachers. Contact schools and teachers who have participated in the past, but also extend the contest to other grades within the school. Collect poster entries and arrange for judging. Select 3 winners in each category with the help of the District Manager. Contact the winning schools and coordinate a time to present the winner with a prize. Print certificates for all participants.

**Project requirements:** Upon completion of this project, there will be poster entries in all categories (K-1, 2-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12). A prize will be given to each winner, presented in-person at the school. The local library in the town the school(s) is located will be contacted to display the winning posters. Teachers will have the necessary materials to be able to continue the education of the stewardship theme in the classroom.

Anticipated time for project will be discussed with student and advisor.

**Organization Name:** Hillsborough County Conservation District

**Brief description of organization:** The Hillsborough County Conservation District represents soil and water conservation at the local level. Formed in 1946 as a sub-division of the State of New Hampshire, State Statute 430:8, the District is managed by a volunteer Board of Supervisors. The District works with farmers, forest landowners, landowners, schools, and municipalities to promote the use, protection, and conservation of natural resources on both private and public land, both rural and urban. Our conservation programs in Hillsborough County are carried out through public education and the implementation of Best Management Practices (BMPs).

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