



## WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Chesterfield County students in grades 6 -12, attending public, private or home schools.

### PHOTO RULES: Disregard for the rules will result in the photo being rejected for judging.

- ◇ **“Conservation Habits = Healthy Habitats” must be the theme of your photo**
- ◇ Photo size must **8 x 10**
- ◇ Photo may be Color or Black & White
- ◇ **Do NOT** put your name on the **front** of the photo
- ◇ **Digital Enhancement** - Minor digital enhancements for cropping, red-eye removal, filters and corrective functions are permitted, but images that have been judged to be altered in any significant manner will be disqualified. Contestants are not permitted to place borders, frames or backgrounds around their images or to place watermarks, dates, signatures or copyright images onto photos.
- ◇ **Previously Published Photos** - Do not send photo reproductions from a printed publication. Previously published photos are not eligible for the CSWCD Photo Contest.

### A COMPLETED & SIGNED ENTRY FORM MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE BACK OF THE PHOTO

## WHY PARTICIPATE?

- . A picture can be worth even more than a thousand words. Good photographs can lend a helping hand to numerous projects: they strengthen publicity for a fundraiser, make a newsletter more appealing and reveal the beauty of wetlands to elementary students.
- . Prizes for the top 4 winners in each category:

**1<sup>st</sup> - \$25, 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$15 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$10 4<sup>th</sup> - Hon. Mention**

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Call on Wednesdays or Thursdays

## INFORMATION RESOURCES

Research the importance of habitat in your community. Use resources found at the library and nature centers, or in publications such as science books and newspapers.

Websites can provide information on the importance of habitat. Ask your teacher about other possible community resources or contact (CSWCD) for information on local projects or other resources.

### RESOURCE LINKS:

Nat. Assoc. of Conservation Districts (NACD): [www.nacdnet.org](http://www.nacdnet.org) Stewardship & Education

Nat. Wildlife Federation (backyard, school, community): <http://www.nwf.org/gardenforwildlife/>

Backyard Conservation: <http://www.nacdnet.org/education/backyard/>

Pollinator Guides: <http://www.pollinator.org/guides.htm>

Other Useful Habitat Info:

<http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usdahome>

<http://www.sc.gov/Portal/Category/FACTSANDHISTORYKIDS>

### Judging Standards

Photos will be judged on technical merit and composition. For technical merit, judges may check to see if the photo is well-framed, properly exposed and sharp and clear. For composition, judges determine if the photo features a recognizable center of interest, action and imagination and creativity.

All entries become the property of CSWCD, and CSWCD reserves the non-exclusive right to use all photographs in publications or for promotional purposes.

### Suggestions for Photos

Habitat around your home  
Habitat at your school  
Habitat in your community  
Importance of pollinators

