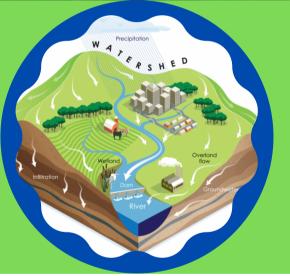








"The world is mud-luscious and puddle-wonderful." e.e. cummings



Awards include a cash prize and certificate.

All participants and their class will be invited to the awards banquet in April 2022, details to come.

Banquet includes meal, award presentations and trivia contest with prizes!

2022 Art and Essay Contest "Watersheds"

Presented by the Oconee Soil and Water Conservation District, Clemson University Extension Service and USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service

Contest Rules

Open to public, private, and home-schooled students in K-12th grade.

Art Contest, Grades K-12

• Create a work of art depicting your interpretation of a healthy forest ecosystem and future conditions you would like to see, using the artistic medium of your choice.

Essay Contest, Grades K-5

• Compose a 250-500 word essay (typed, double-spaced) on why watershed health is important.

Essay Contest, Grades 6-12

• Compose a 500-1,000 word essay (typed, double-spaced) on why watershed health is important AND your recommendations on how to improve our watershed health.

To Enter:

- Entries must be received by March 4th to qualify.
- Submissions may be from individual students or a class
- Students may get help from teachers, parents and/or community members, but the content submitted must be the student's words, thoughts and craft.

Art Submissions will be judged on:

- Creativity of theme and representation of desired future conditions of our forests.

Essays will be judged on:

- Clarity, content, grammar and theme development, based on the age of the writer;
- Use of research sources, as it pertains to the topic(s) referenced in the essay.

*By entering, you acknowledge that your submission may be published by the Oconee Soil and Water Conservation District (OSWCD)