



# 2019 MACD CONTEST PACKET:

Poster Contest  
Essay Contest  
Teacher of the Year (K-6)  
Teacher of the Year (7-12)

Dear Conservation Districts and Contest Participants:

Included are the 2019 Rules, Guidelines and Entry Form for the Poster Contest; Rules and Entry Form for the Essay Contest (with more information about the essay provided at a later date); and Guidelines and Entry Forms for Teacher of the Year, grades K-6 and 7-12.

The purpose of these annual contests is to recognize outstanding conservation for the topic of “Life in the Soil: Dig Deeper” in both poster artistry and essays. The Teacher of the Year contests recognize outstanding conservation education efforts of Mississippi’s teachers. All educators K-6 and 7-12 in public, parochial and private schools in Mississippi are eligible to participate in the contest.

Please be sure to distribute these packets in your Conservation Districts in order for participants to have plenty of time to submit entries to local Conservation Districts.

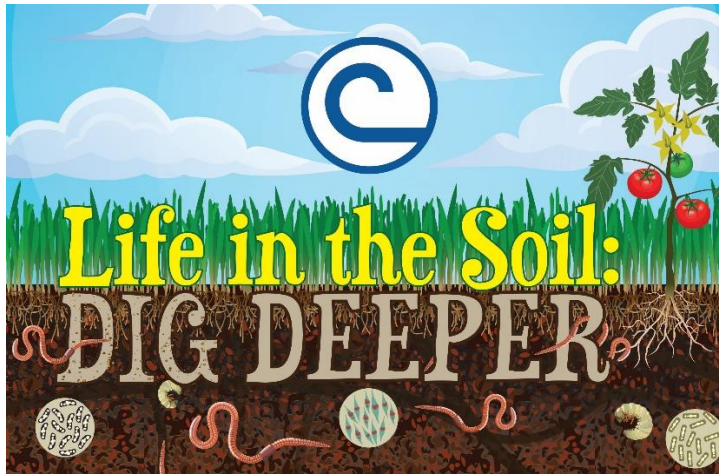
If you have any questions, please call Chelsey Gazaway at 662-809-0968, or email [chelsey.gazaway@ms.nacdnet.net](mailto:chelsey.gazaway@ms.nacdnet.net).

Thank you very much!

Chelsey Gazaway

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2019 Rules and Guidelines

# MACD Poster Contest

THEME:

***“Life in the Soil: Dig Deeper”***

## CATEGORIES

Kindergarten- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Special Education

### *Poster Evaluations:*

Conservation Message 50%

Visual Effectiveness 30%

Originality 10%

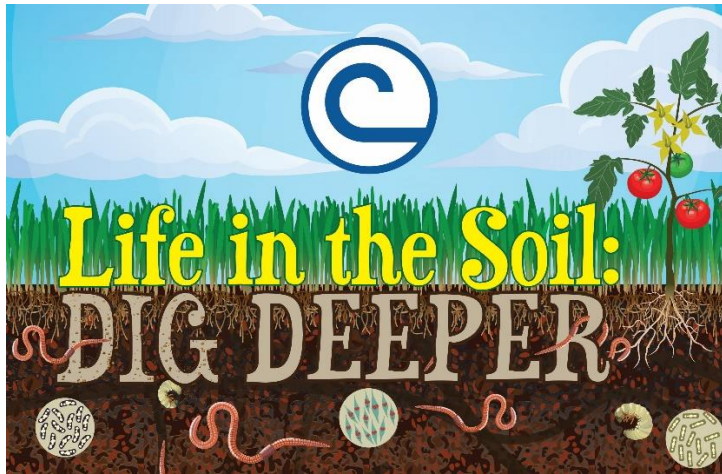
Universal Appeal 10%

## CONTEST RULES:

- Any media may be used (paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, stickers, paper or other materials) on a half-sized (14"x22") poster board.
- Poster Size: 14" x 22"
- The 2019 poster title “Life in the Soil: Dig Deeper” must be on your poster.
- Entries completed by students in their own handwriting and coloring will score better than those designed, drawn and colored with adult assistance.
- A completed and signed 2019 “Life in the Soil: Dig Deeper” Entry Form must be attached to the back of the poster to make it eligible for judging.
- All posters must be completed by individuals, not by a team, and turned in to your local SWCD for judging by their deadline.
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SWCD Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline: \_\_\_\_\_



## 2019 Rules and Guidelines

# MACD Poster Contest

**THEME:**

***“Life in the Soil: Dig Deeper”***

All entries must first go through a local Conservation District-sponsored contest and then proceed to the State Association or Auxiliary-Sponsored State Contest.

### STUDENT:

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or guardian name \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

### SCHOOL:

Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

*Please indicate  
Grade category:*

Grades K-1

Grades 2-3

Grades 4-6

Grades 7-8

Grades 9-10

Grades 11-12

Special Educ.

### CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

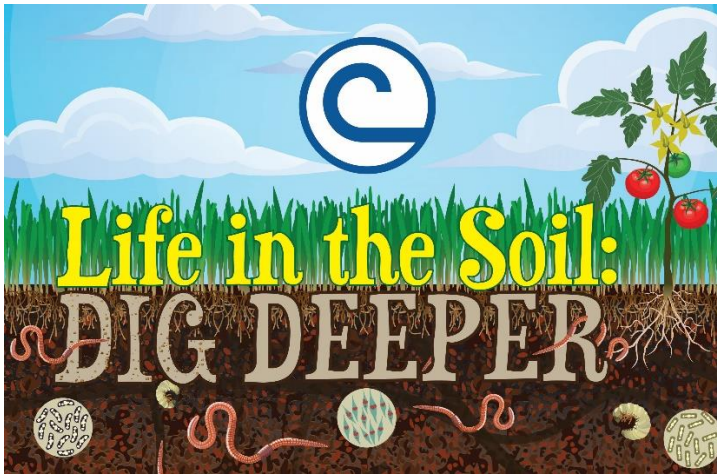
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

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**2019 Rules and Guidelines**  
**MACD Essay**  
**Contest**  
**THEME:**  
***“Life in the Soil: Dig Deeper”***

*Indicate Grade Category:*

7-8     9-10     11-12

- Essays should be a minimum of 300 words and no more than 500 words.
- Any legible form is acceptable.
- A completed 2019 “Life in the Soil: Dig Deeper” MACD Essay Contest Entry Form *must* be attached to the essay to make it eligible for judging.

SWCD Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline: \_\_\_\_\_

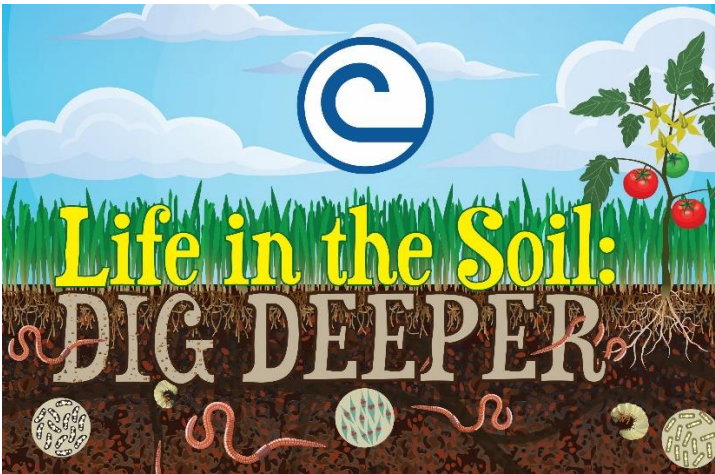
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# MACD 2019 Essay Entry Form

## “Life in the Soil: Dig Deeper”

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### STUDENT:

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or guardian name \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate Grade  
Category:

7-8

9-10

11-12

### SCHOOL:

Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

### CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

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# MACD 2019

## Teacher of the Year K-6

### GUIDELINES

#### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of the Teacher of the Year contest is to recognize the outstanding conservation education efforts of Mississippi's Teachers. All teachers in grades K-6 in public, parochial, and private schools in Mississippi are eligible to participate in the program.

#### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- Educators must be teaching full time in the classroom.
- Educators must personally be responsible for developing a conservation education program.
- An educator's nomination must be endorsed by the SWCD in which he or she is teaching.
- Teachers who are SWCD officials cannot compete, however, associate officials may compete.
- Educators who submit an entry and do not win may resubmit entries the following year.
- Team educators are eligible, however, awards will only be made to the designated leader.
- Nominations can be made by anyone in the district or by the educator themselves.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:**

- Educators who meet the eligibility requirements may enter the contest.
- Complete the entry form and have it signed by the chairperson of the local conservation district.
- Submit a typewritten narrative which addresses the five sections below "Content of Narrative."
- Include in a standard one-inch three ring binder the following four items below:

ENTRY FORM

TYPEWRITTEN NARRATIVE

TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

SUPPORTING INFORMATION (i.e., photos, activity sheets)

#### **CONTENT OF NARRATIVE:**

Narratives must be typewritten and double-spaced on one side only of 8½" x 11" paper.

Font must not be smaller than 12 point. Narratives must address the five sections below and each section should not exceed two pages.

#### **SECTIONS:**

1. Describe your program for involving students in the betterment of natural resources.
2. List and describe the areas of study incorporated in your conservation education program.
3. Describe any assistance received from community organizations or resource specialists from local, state, or federal agencies or organizations.
4. Explain how the program is being extended to other grades, other areas, and to people in the community.
5. Document how your students have applied their knowledge of natural resource conservation to individual groups, schools, and community projects.

**DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2019**

# MACD 2019

## Teacher of the Year K-6

### ENTRY FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Soil and Water District hereby nominates  
\_\_\_\_\_ for the 2019 Teacher of the Year K-6 contest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman of Local SWCD

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2019**

# MACD 2019

## Teacher of the Year 7-12

### GUIDELINES

#### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of the Teacher of the Year contest is to recognize the outstanding conservation education efforts of Mississippi's Teachers. All teachers 7-12 in public, parochial, and private schools in Mississippi are eligible to participate in the program.

#### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- Educators must be teaching full time in the classroom.
- Educators must personally be responsible for developing a conservation education program.
- An educator's nomination must be endorsed by the SWCD in which he or she is teaching.
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#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:**

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4. Explain how the program is being extended to other grades, other areas, and to people in the community.
5. Document how your students have applied their knowledge of natural resource conservation to individual groups, schools, and community projects.

**DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2019**



# MACD 2019 Teacher of the Year 7-12

## ENTRY FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Soil and Water District hereby nominates  
\_\_\_\_\_ for the 2019 Teacher of the Year 7-12 contest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman of Local SWCD

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2019**