

20TH ANNUAL ELECTRICAL SAFETY POSTER CONTEST

Area youth are encouraged to share their safety message

JREC recognizes Electrical Safety Month every May, but we also know the importance of practicing safety year-round. From our co-op crews to you, the members we serve, we recognize that everyone has a part to play in prioritizing safety.

According to the Electrical Safety Foundation International, thousands of people in the United States are critically injured or electrocuted because of electrical fires and accidents in their own homes. Many of these accidents are preventable. Electricity is a necessity, and it powers our daily lives. But we know firsthand how dangerous electricity can be because we work with it 365 days a year.

Additionally, we want to help keep you and all members of our community

safe. That's why you'll see us hosting safety demonstrations for area EMS personnel and in our local schools. We discuss what to do in a car accident involving a utility pole and downed power lines. Go to jrec.com and watch the "This is Your License to Live" video to see what you should do in this emergency scenario. We also caution students on the dangers of pad-mounted transformers and overloading circuits with too many electronic devices.

JREC would like to pass on a few resources where you can find practical electrical safety tips and fun activities for your entire family. We encourage you to talk with your kids about playing it safe and smart around electricity. Help them be aware of overhead power lines near where they play outdoors.

Here are few online resources:

- jrec.com/kids-safety-zone
- safeelectricity.org
- Esfi.org
- discoveryeducation.com/stem-camp-energy-course/
- Safety Sadie videos on YouTube

Our 20th annual electrical safety poster contest is for area youth ages 5 to 12. This is a great opportunity to put what was just learned onto a poster. Follow the below guidelines for a chance to win a prize.

WECA is also holding a poster contest for third-grade students. This same poster you create for JREC can be entered in the WECA contest. Please turn these posters into JREC by May 31. Refer to the WECA guidelines for additional prize opportunities.



JREC Safety Poster Contest

What you need:

- 8½ x 11 or larger sheet of paper or poster board.
- Art supplies: crayons, colored pencils, or markers.
- Depict a way(s) to be safe around electricity either inside or out.
- Complete entry ticket below and attach to back of poster.
- Submit poster by **May 31, 2022**, to the Ladysmith office.

What you could win:

- A \$50 cash prize for first place and a \$25 cash prize for second place.
- One to be awarded per age category: 5-7 and 8-12.

Winning posters will be featured in a future issue of this magazine.

JREC Poster Entry Ticket

Name _____

Member Acct. _____

Grade _____ Age _____ Phone _____

Return to JREC, P.O. Box 99, Ladysmith WI 54848



WECA Safety Poster Contest

Open to Third-Graders

What you need:

- Sheet of paper or poster board at least 8-1/2x11 inches, but no larger than 11x14 inches.
- Art supplies: crayons, colored pencils, or markers.
- Create an original poster supporting electrical safety.
- Complete entry ticket below and attach to back of poster.
- Submit poster by **May 31, 2022**, to the Ladysmith office.

What you could win:

- \$25 gift card plus a chance to win statewide prizes:
 - First place: Chromebook
 - Second place: \$100 Gift Card
 - Third place: \$75 Gift Card

WECA Poster Entry Ticket

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Member Acct. _____

Phone _____

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