

Family Well-Being Calendar Art Contest

sponsored by: The Ohio Children's Trust Fund + Family & Children First Councils

WHO: 5th graders in Ohio

WHEN: January 1st - April 1st, 2005

THEME: Attention Adults: YOU Are the **KEY** to Preventing Child Abuse & Neglect !

CONTEST REQUIREMENTS:

- Only artwork done by an *individual* 5th grade student will be considered. Group or partner projects are *not eligible* for consideration.
- Size: must be 8 ½" x 11" in **HORIZONTAL** layout.
- Acceptable media include *crayons, markers, watercolors* and *colored pencils* (*no poster* paint).
- Please ensure that student's *full name, county, school, home address & phone number* are written on the *back* of artwork.

SELECTION PROCESS

- To be eligible for consideration, entries *must be received* at the county Family & Children First Council (address on the bottom of this page) *by April 1st*.
- Each Council will select *one entry* to represent the county based on how well the artwork depicts the statewide prevention theme.
- Voting by participants at the April Prevention Month Conference will determine the 12 statewide winners (one for each month of the calendar).
- The top 3 entries with the overall highest number of votes, plus the 2 entries with the most votes from each of the 5 Family & Children First regions will be published in the **2006 Family Well-Being Calendar**.

WINNERS will receive an award and be honored at the April 2006 *Prevention Month Awards Luncheon* in the Atrium of the State Capitol Building in Columbus. Each winner may invite 2 guests.

INSTRUCTIONAL NOTE TO TEACHERS

"ATTENTION ADULTS: YOU Are The **KEY To Preventing Child Abuse & Neglect"** is the theme for Child Abuse/Neglect Prevention Month (April) in Ohio. We want students to use their creativity to depict the things people can do in their everyday lives to prevent child abuse/neglect. The following can be used to stimulate relevant ideas: **"Some things you might want to think about in planning your artwork are...."**

- **What kinds of things can people do in their FAMILY to prevent child abuse/neglect?** (examples: take parenting classes, read books about positive parenting, talk to children about how to be a good parent, use non-physical discipline, tell babysitters *never* to shake your baby, eat dinner together)
- **....in their WORKPLACE.....?** (talk to co-workers about child abuse/neglect & the importance of prevention, ask their employer to distribute brochures about family well-being, write an article about prevention for the company newsletter, collect & donate canned goods to a local pantry)
- **....in their PLACE OF WORSHIP....?** (have education classes for new parents, teach personal safety for children, offer emergency babysitting, open an emergency food pantry, pass out blue ribbon pins)
- **....in their NEIGHBORHOOD....?** (talk to neighbors about child abuse/neglect & prevention, report suspicious people to police, volunteer to help neighbors under stress, trade babysitting hours with a neighbor, ask the library to get books about preventing child abuse/neglect)
- **....in their COMMUNITY....?** (organize a support group for parents, become a Big Brother/Sister, donate food or clothing, encourage schools to provide programs that prevent substance abuse)

Entries must be received by April 1st at:

Montgomery County Family and Children First Council

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