

CITY OF FOND DU LAC - Memorandum

Community Development Department

Date: January 20, 2012

To: Students/Teachers/Administrators

From: City of Fond du Lac Community Development Department

Deadline for all returns is Friday, March 23, 2012. Send or drop off entries at the City of Fond du Lac Community Development Department, 4th floor, 160 S Macy Street.

Re: 2012 Fair Housing Poster Essay Contest

The Wisconsin Fair Housing Network is sponsoring a Statewide Fair Housing Poster or Essay Contest. The Wisconsin Fair Housing Law requires fair housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, ancestry, marital status, handicap, lawful source of income, or familial status. The theme for 2012 is:

“FAIR HOUSING: A CLEAR PATH FOR ALL”

The Fair Housing Poster or Essay Contest is an important educational activity to promote the concepts of choice and equal opportunity in housing.

The City of Fond du Lac Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is sponsoring the local competition. The contest will be judged locally and all winners will receive a \$50 savings bond. The City will submit the winning entry for each grade level to the state for the state-wide competition. It is important that the participants understand the theme; “Fair Housing: A Clear Path for All” is designed to reflect equal opportunity in housing choice.

Poster Contest Submission Information: Each poster will be judged based on the theme and should not exceed 22 inches by 20 inches. The Poster Contest is open to everyone in Grades K-12, and Special Education (persons with disabilities). Entries will be grouped K-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12, and Special Education. *Poster Materials* may include, but are not limited to: felt-tipped pens, colored pencils, crayons, paint, and construction paper.

Essay Contest Submission Information: Each essay will be judged based on the theme. The Essay Contest is open to everyone in Grades 4-12. Essays may be in the form of a story, poem or narrative. Essays may be no more than 500 words and no more than two (2) pages (excluding a title page, if any).

All entries to the State Poster and Essay Contests must include a completed ENTRY LABEL format. (See reverse.) Additional information sheets and labels can be picked up at the school office or the City/County Building (4th Floor) Community Development – Kay Smedberg, 322-3440, and can be duplicated as necessary.

Winning entries in the State Fair Housing Poster and Essay Contests become property of the Wisconsin Fair Housing Network.

The City will present awards following the poster and essay judging at the local level. All winners of the **State Fair Housing Poster Contest** in Madison will receive framed certificates and other awards at the special ceremony held at the State Capitol in summer.

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Entrant: _____ Sponsor: _____
Address: _____ Address: _____
City: _____ City: _____
State, Zip Code: _____ State, Zip Code: _____
Telephone: _____ Telephone: _____
School/Grade: _____ School/Grade: _____
*Social Security #: _____ E-Mail: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____
Daytime Telephone: _____

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