



RICHLAND COUNTY FARM-CITY COMMITTEE

2020 Hampton Street - Room 3063A

Columbia, SC 29204

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TO: RICHLAND COUNTY SCHOOLS
FROM: FARM-CITY WEEK COMMITTEE
SUBJECT: **FARM-CITY WEEK BULLETIN BOARD CONTEST**
DATE: SEPTEMBER 10, 2009

For the past four decades National Farm-City Week has provided a link between our nation's rural and urban people. Founded by Kiwanis International, the week was established to help achieve unity among all American workers - on and off the farm. With an ongoing theme, "Partners in Progress," National Farm-City Week has increased understandings between two vital parts of our nation.

The Richland County Farm-City Committee, other local agencies, and local business are cooperating in sponsoring Farm-City activities in Richland County during the month of November. As part of the national celebration, students from Richland County School District One and Two, Fort Jackson schools, and all local private schools are invited to participate in a Bulletin Board contest. The information needed to participate is as follows:

BULLETIN BOARD CONTEST GUIDELINES:

GRADES: K- 5th and Special Education. All elementary schools are encouraged to participate with one or more bulletin boards. Each school may have **one entry per grade level**. All classes may participate, but a school committee must choose grade level winner. **Should your bulletin board win the Bulletin Board contest, a student representative should be chosen who with the principal and teacher will represent your school to receive the award for the group at the awards luncheon.**



Theme: The Buzz About Bees!

TASK: Build a Bulletin Board, which depicts the importance of bees in our everyday life. About 130 food crops are pollinated by bees and that accounts for every third bite that we eat. The world is a better place because of bees!

REQUIREMENTS: Artwork should not exceed 4 ft. x 8 ft. Any two-dimensional - single or mixed media acceptable. **Since first place winners work will be displayed at the awards luncheon, all art work should be completed on a paper backing (suggestion: brown craft paper) before attaching the bulletin board for intact removal. Please complete the enclosed form and attach it to the bottom left corner of your Bulletin Board for identification.**

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TIME SEQUENCE:

1. Schools planning to participate are required to return the attached notification slip no later than September 25, 2009.
2. Only one Bulletin Board will be judged for each grade level. School judges (selected by the principal) will determine the winning grade level board by October 23rd. **(One winner per grade).**
3. We will judge your Bulletin Boards on Tuesday, October 27th.
4. Winners will be notified by November 2nd.
5. Schools with **FIRST-PLACE winning bulletin boards** will be asked to deliver them to the Richland Conservation District Office by **Friday, November 13th** so that they may be displayed at the awards luncheon.

JUDGING CRITERIA: Bulletin Boards will be judged on originality, composition, development, clarity of message, and student participation.

AWARDS:

Winners (student captain, teacher and principal) will be invited to the Farm-City Luncheon Awards Ceremony Tuesday, **November 17, 2009.**

First Place:	\$ 40 and Certificate of Merit
Second Place:	\$ 30 and Certificate of Merit
Third Place:	\$ 20 and Certificate of Merit

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Please return to:

Mary Jane Henderson

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Please return this form by: **September 25, 2009**

Please call to confirm we have received your FAX or your mailed in form, or email hendersonmj@rcgov.us

YES! Our school does plan to enter one or more **BULLETIN BOARDS** in the Farm-City Week contest.

SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL

ADDRESS **** must have to mail notification

TELEPHONE NO.:

FAX NO:

TEACHER (First and Last Names)

GRADE

(Please give FIRST and LAST names of teacher - for certificate).