

**Iredell Soil & Water Conservation District  
Presents the 2018 - 2019**



**Computer Designed Slide Show Contest  
“The Living Soil”  
for students in grade 6**



- Contest Theme:** The Living Soil
- Entry Deadline:** January 31, 2019
- Category:** Iredell County students in grade 6
- Location:** Presentations need to be burned to a CD and delivered to Iredell SWCD office at 444 Bristol Dr. Statesville or call us at 704.873.6761 x 108 or e-mailed to [Louise.Wooten3@gmail.com](mailto:Louise.Wooten3@gmail.com).
- Awards:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners will be selected for grade 6 on the county level.  
1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$25, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$15, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$10  
Awards will be presented in the Spring.
- Requirements:** A handbook with complete contest rules can be found at [www.Iredellswcd.org](http://www.Iredellswcd.org) Click on Education, then Contests.
- Questions:** Contact Louise Wooten, Education Coordinator at 704.873.6761 x 108 or [Louise.Wooten3@gmail.com](mailto:Louise.Wooten3@gmail.com)

## COMPUTER DESIGNED SLIDE SHOW CONTEST RULES

The Computer Designed Slide Show Contest is sponsored by the NC Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, which also set the rules. Visit [www.Iredellswcd.org](http://www.Iredellswcd.org) and click on Education, then Contests.

**THEME:** A set of five themes have been selected by the Association's Education Committee and adopted by the Association. These themes rotate on a yearly basis. The theme does not have to be written on the slide show. The approved theme and rotation schedule is as follows:

**2018-2019 The Living Soil**

2019-2020 Wetlands are Wonderful

2020-2021 We all live in a Watershed

2021-2022 Soil & Water...Yours for Life

2022-2023 Water...The Cycle of Life

**PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY:** The contest will be held for **6th grade students** at District, Area and State levels.

**CONTEST PROCEDURE:** Contests will be conducted on the District, Area, and State levels. District First Place winners will be eligible to enter the Area contests, and Area First Place winners will be eligible to enter the State contest. Each contest coordinator shall see that contestants and judges have a copy of the rules and shall urge them to study these rules, especially the sections on content, specifications, copyright and judging criteria. All slide shows entered into the District sponsored competition become the property of the respective District. These entities are entitled to use these slide shows for promotion of the Conservation District program.

**SPECIFICATIONS:** Slide shows should be designed along the following specifications.

- The slide show shall contain no more than 15 slides of content. Fewer slides are allowed.
- The slide immediately following the slide show (slide number 16 if 15 slides are used) should be blank. The slide immediately following the blank slide (slide number 17 if 15 slides are used) should contain identifying information (see below). The correct order for the slide show should be:  
Slide show (up to 15 slides); Blank slide; Identifying information slide
- Slide shows must be created using Microsoft PowerPoint software. Files shall be saved so that they are compatible with PowerPoint 2003 (ppt file). (Do not save as a pptx file.)
- The use of audio (sound) is allowed.
- The use of slide animation is allowed.
- The use of video is prohibited. Slide shows using video will be disqualified.
- Slide shows shall not exceed a maximum of 5 minutes in length.
- Slide shows shall be submitted electronically.
- Slide show must be the **original work** of the individual student. Original work is created by the student and shows a fresh, new idea. Students should be made aware of **copyright protection**. (See copyright section in handbook.)
- Slide shows must be identified by containing the following information on the final slide of the slide show: Student's name, Grade, Slide Show Title, Slide Show File Name, Student's Address, Teacher's Name, School, County and District (Iredell SWCD).

### JUDGING CRITERIA:

Conservation Message-50%, Visual Effectiveness -30%, Universal Appeal-10%, Originality -10%

**INFRACTIONS:** Points will be deducted for the following infractions:

- Copyright violation - 5 points
- Exceeding the maximum number of slides (15) - 5 points
- Exceeding the maximum time limit (5 minutes) - 5 points
- Use of video - Disqualification

### AWARDS:

**District Level (County)** - 1st Place \$25, 2nd Place \$15, 3rd Place \$10 (1st Place will advance to Area Level.)

**Area Level (12 Counties in NW NC)** - 1st Place \$30, 2nd Place \$20, 3rd Place \$10 (1st Place will advance to State Level.)

**State Level** -1st Place \$200, 2nd Place \$100