2021

CALENDAR OF ELECTRICAL SAFETY KISSIMMEE UTILITY AUTHORITY





CONTEST SPONSOR

Kissimmee Utility Authority sponsors this student art contest as part of an ongoing electrical safety awareness program. The winning artwork will be featured in a full-color wall calendar produced by KUA for 2021.

PARTICIPATION

The contest is open to Osceola County students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 6, including public, private and homeschooled students.

ARTWORK THEMES

Contest participants are asked to submit artwork on the following themes:

Grades K-1 - Electrical Safety Where We Play

Grades 2-3 - Electrical Safety at Home

Grades 4-6 - Safety Around Electrical Equipment

The facing page of this brochure will provide you with subject ideas and safety tips on these themes.

ARTWORK REQUIREMENTS

Artwork must be original and the work of one student only. Students should focus on one main topic or idea in their work. <u>Size</u>: 8½"x11" (horizontal format only). <u>Materials</u>: White drawing paper, crayon, felt pen, paint, collage, photograph or computer graphic. Make lettering and messages large enough to reproduce well. Check for spelling errors and keep lettering away from borders. Copyrighted characters such as Mickey Mouse, product logos and names (Coke, Kleenex, etc.) cannot be used. The name of the student must not appear on the front of the artwork. Erase all pencil markings.

SELECTION PROCESS

A panel of judges will select twelve (12) entries from the artwork submitted. Winners, their teachers and principals will be notified in December 2020.

PRIZES/RECOGNITION

Each student who submits artwork will receive a letter of appreciation and a chance to experience Tree Trek Adventure park for the family. The 12 winners will receive \$150 cash. The grand prize winner will have his/her name and artwork featured on the calendar cover and added to a KUA vehicle for one year. The grand winner's school will receive \$750 in art supplies and the school with the most total entries will receive \$500 in art supplies.

REMINDERS TO TEACHERS

The electrical safety tips in this brochure have been provided by KUA to assist your students as they prepare their contest entries.

KUA considers each child who enters the contest to be a winner. To further this end, all contestants will receive a letter of appreciation.

Each artwork submitted must have an entry form attached to its back (see back page). Please check to see that the information provided on the form is legible, complete, signed by a parent/guardian and securely attached to the artwork with <u>transparent tape</u>.

CONTEST CHECKLIST

To ensure that artwork submitted by your students receives proper consideration, please check the following items before submittal to KUA:

Entry form is securely attached to back of artwork with transparent tape. Artwork which is submitted unaccompanied by the entry form will be ineligible for competition.
Entry form is legible, completely filled out, and signed by the student's teacher AND parent or guardian.
Artwork meets size specifications listed under "Artwork Requirements."
Artwork focuses on appropriate topic (see grade level themes listed on the facing page of this brochure).
Title of the student's artwork should relate to electrical safety and the theme depicted in the artwork.
All artwork is securely packaged and mailed

Please send or hand-deliver entries to:

flat. Please do not roll or fold artwork.

Kissimmee Utility Authority Attn: Corporate Communications 1701 West Carroll Street Kissimmee, Florida 34741

CONTEST DEADLINE

Entries must be postmarked by **Friday**, **November 20**, **2020**.

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GRADES K-1 Electrical Safety Where We Play

Theme: Every kind of electric installation and facility must be treated with respect. Serious accidents can be avoided if simple precautions are taken.

Safety Tips:

- 1. Keep electrical equipment at least ten feet from a pool or wet surfaces.
- 2. Look up before climbing a tree. If a power line is nearby or touching it, stay away from the tree.
- 3. Fly your kite and model airplanes in wide-open spaces...never near electric wires. If your kite gets caught with a wire, don't try to retrieve it. Call KUA (407-933-9898) and let them know where the kite is so they can remove it safely.
- 4. Never play on transformers. Underground pad mount transformers should be marked with a safety warning. Don't climb or play around them.
- 5. Turn off electronic games when they are not in use. It's safer and saves energy.

GRADES 2-3

Electrical Safety at Home

Theme: Electricity is your friend when treated with respect. Know the facts - make electrical safety a priority in your home. Electrical appliances, cords and plugs can be dangerous and must be treated carefully.

Safety Tips:

- 1. Never play with wires, plugs, switches or anything electrical.
- 2. Be careful with electrical appliances especially near water. Never play an electric radio or TV near a bathtub or sink. When your hands are wet, never touch anything that runs on electricity. If you're in a bathtub or standing on a wet floor, never touch a switch or plug anything in.
- 3. Place plastic safety caps in all electrical outlets to keep small children from stick a finger or metal toy into the socket and getting shocked.
- 4. Avoid overloading outlets by using "octupus plugs." Tools and appliances should be plugged into different outlets to spread the electrical load.

- 5. Never run cords under rugs. The repeated friction from the rug rubbing against the cord will wear protective coating off and leave wires exposed. This could cause a fire.
- 6. Unplug cords with the plug, not by pulling the cord.
- 7. Keep burnable materials from lamps or heating devices.
- 8. Unplug appliances and tools when not in use.

GRADES 4-6

Safety Around Electrical Equipment

Theme: Electrical transmission facilities such as electric towers, poles, wires and substations are present in outdoor areas where we play. Electricity is very powerful energy and can be very dangerous if it touches you.

Safety Tips:

- 1. Never climb utility poles or substation fences. A "DANGER HIGH VOLTAGE" sign means stay away. If your ball lands on the other side of a fence containing elec-trical equipment with warning signs, call KUA (407-933-9898) to get the ball out for you.
- 2. Never go into an electric substation. Electric substations contain high-voltage equipment; even raising your hand inside one can cause an arc that may cause a shock.
- 3. During severe electrical storms, stay away from power lines, towers, and metal fences.
- 4. Don't let anyone shoot or throw stones at insulators on utility poles. Broken insulators can cause power out-ages or drop the power line to the ground.
- 5. Say Pokemon NO to unsafe activities. Catching them all is not worth personal injury or arrest.

entry form

This form must be signed by both the teacher and parent/guardian of the student submitting his/her artwork for judging. Type or print the requested information and attach to back of artwork. Entries must be postmarked by **Friday**, **November 20**, **2020**. This form may be duplicated as needed. Contest is limited to Osceola County students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 6.

Student's Name	Grade _		Age		
Student's Home Address					
City	Zip Code	Telephone			
Full Name of Parent or Guardian					
Full Name of Teacher					
Full Name of Principal					
Name of School					
School Address					
Title or Subject of Artwork					
I hereby certify that this artwork was created solely by the student named above. If it is selected as a winner, I agree that it may be published in KUA's 2019 Calendar of Electrical Safety and becomes the property of KUA and may not be returned. Submission constitutes full permission to exhibit, use and publish the artwork for any purpose and to publish the name, grade, school and/or photograph of the student without compensation beyond the \$150 prize.					
SIGNATURES:					
Teacher			Date		
Parent/Guardian			_ Date		
Comments:					

