



## FOREST CONSERVATION: EMPOWERING ACTIONS

Forest conservation matters to your local community, even if you do not live in a forest!

### Oral and Visual Presentation:

- Display a few sample posters created by previous Stewardship Week contest winners by scanning the QR code or use this link:  
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/nacd/albums/with/7217772030596555>



"The National Association of Conservation Districts helps our local conservation district educate students through this contest. The poster you will create is not about being the best artist, it's all about using your creativity to raise awareness about conservation and the incredible work of conservation districts in our communities."

"Conservation districts help protect our forests, wildlife, and natural resources, and they play a crucial role in making sure our environment stays healthy and vibrant for future generations."

- Show the contest guidelines and rules on a slide or poster.

"For this contest, you get to create your own posters with eye-catching designs and powerful messages about the importance of conservation. You can use colors, drawings, and even words to share your ideas! You'll have the chance to express what you've learned about forests and conservation in a fun and artistic way."

"I've set up a poster-making station right here in our classroom! You'll have access to various art supplies to help you bring your ideas to life. Feel free to let your imagination run wild!"

- Emphasize the contest timeline and submission process.

"Remember, the deadline for submissions is (insert date here). Once you've finished your masterpiece, we'll collect all the posters and send them to our local participating district for the contest. There's a chance your artwork could be recognized and shared with people from all over the country!"

- Conclude with encouragement and motivation.

"I'm so excited to see what incredible posters you'll create. Let's work together to spread the word about conservation and make a positive impact on our community through art. Now, who's ready to unleash their creativity and make a difference in the NACD Poster Contest?"



**What is Stewardship Week?**  
NACD Stewardship Week is one of the largest national programs to promote natural resource conservation. Celebrated annually since 1955 between the last Sunday in April and the first Sunday in May, NACD Stewardship Week reminds us of our individual responsibilities to care for natural resources.



**Why Stewardship Week?**  
Each spring, NACD and thousands of dedicated conservationists organize a multitude of outreach events and educational learning experiences for students and adults in order to increase awareness about the importance of natural resource conservation. During Stewardship Week, local conservation districts and their state associations educate the public on the importance of soil health, water quality, pollinator habitat and other conservation topics. Different classroom activities, field visits and community events are hosted to honor and recognize efforts in conservation at the local level.

