

Oro Loma and Waste Management Honor Earth Day 2013 Poster Contest Winners at Awards Ceremony

A festive ceremony was held on Tuesday, May 28, 2013 in the Titan Auditorium of the Marina Community Center in San Leandro to honor the winners of the 19th annual Oro Loma/Waste Management Earth Day Poster Contest.



Well over 2,000 students from schools all across Oro Loma submitted entries in the contest, which was open to all Oro Loma Sanitary District students in grades K-12 attending a school that is served by Waste Management. The theme of this year's contest, "It's Your Bay—Keep It Clean," asked students to show they can help keep this amazing resource we call San Francisco Bay clean and healthy.

Prize categories included a Recycling Star Kindergarten group in which five students won \$100 each. Cash prizes of \$700 for First Place, \$500 for Second Place, \$300 for Third Place, and \$150 for Honorable Mention (two) were awarded in six grade groups from first to twelfth grades. Matching cash prizes were awarded to the winning students' schools. Schools that submitted eligible entries but had no winners were given \$100 Participation Awards. Ten Certificate of Merit winners in the six 1-12 grade groups received \$25 each. In all, \$25,400 was awarded to students and schools in Oro Loma Sanitary District.

Bohannon Middle School at \$1,550, San Lorenzo High School at \$1,450, and Arroyo High School at \$1,350 were the schools with the most prizes this year.

On Earth Day, April 22, students found out they were winners, but it wasn't until the awards ceremony on May 28 that they found out if they had won a First, Second, Third Place or Honorable Mention award.

A complete list of winners with links to their posters can be found on the District's website, www.oroLoma.org.

Helpful Reminders

Your toilet is not a trash can!
Here are some things that don't belong in your toilet:

- disinfecting wipes
- moist towelettes
- baby wipes
- dental floss
- hair
- bandages
- sanitary products

2014 Poster Contest

For 20 years, Oro Loma and Waste Management have teamed up to sponsor a poster contest that promotes environmental awareness among students in the District.

The 2014 contest theme, "Recycling A through Z," asks students to show they understand recycling isn't something you just do on your recycling pickup day. Recycling is something you do every day and in every way.

The contest starts January 21, 2014 and ends March 21, 2014. Winners will be announced on Earth Day, April 22, 2014. A formal awards ceremony, where the placement of winners is announced, will be held on May 28, 2014.

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Mandatory Commercial and Multi-Family Recycling

Under state law AB341, all commercial enterprises and public entities that generate four or more cubic yards of garbage per week, and multi-family housing complexes with five or more units are required to adopt recycling practices. All businesses and housing units covered under this law had until June 30, 2013 to have recycling programs in place. Oro Loma is pleased to announce that all multi-family dwellings in the District subject to the requirements of AB341 are in compliance.

Under this California law, those who do not comply are subject to fines and fees. Waste Management can provide customers with free waste and recycling assessments to meet their needs and bring them into compliance. To set up a waste and recycling assessment appointment for your business or multi-family housing complex, call Waste Management at (510) 613-8710.

