Oro Loma and Waste Management Honor Earth Day 2014 Poster Contest Winners at Awards Ceremony

An awards ceremony honoring Kindergarten Recycling Stars and First, Second, Third Place, and Honorable Mention winners in grades 1-12 was held on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 in the Titan Auditorium of the Marina Community Center in San Leandro. The ceremony also celebrated the 20th anniversary of Oro Loma and Waste Management coming together to sponsor the poster contest, which challenges students to consider and illustrate the importance of protecting the environment.

Well over 2,000 students from schools all across Oro Loma submitted entries in the contest, which was open to all students in grades K-12 attending a school in the District that is serviced by Waste Management. The theme of this year’s contest, “Recycling A-Z,” asked students to show how they recycle every day and in every way.

Prize categories included a Recycling Star Kindergarten group, in which five students won $100 each. Thirty students in grades 1-12 won cash prizes in the following categories: First Place $700, Second Place $500, Third Place $300, and Honorable Mention $150. Matching cash prizes were awarded to the winning students’ schools. Schools that submitted eligible entries but had no winners received $100 Participation Awards. Sixty Certificate of Merit winners received $25 each. In all, $25,000 was awarded to students and schools in Oro Loma Sanitary District.

A complete list of winners and their prizes, with links to their posters, can be found on the District’s website, www.oroloma.org.