



Contest Winners Honored at Awards Ceremony

The students knew they were winners, but they didn't know what they had won. Was it one of the two \$100 Honorable Mention awards or the \$200 Third Place prize? Maybe they had won Second Place with a \$300 prize or even the First Place prize of \$500.

Over 2,800 students from 29 schools in the Oro Loma Sanitary District submitted posters in the thirteenth annual Oro Loma/Waste Management Earth Day Poster Contest. Students were asked to create posters based on the slogan, "Earth Day 1970-2007." In addition to those students winning cash prizes, 15 students in each grade group received Certificates of Merit for their excellent work in showing why Earth Day is important.

On Tuesday, May 22, at a festive awards ceremony in the Titan Auditorium of the Marina Community Center in San Leandro, the winning students found out what prizes they had won. Representatives from Oro Loma and Waste Management, students and their guests, school administrators, and government officials helped make the event one to remember.

First, Second, Third, and Honorable Mention Awards were presented in each of six K-12 grade groups. Matching cash prizes were awarded to the students' schools. In addition, schools that submitted eligible posters but had no winners received \$100 Participation Awards. Prizes totaling \$7,200 were awarded to students, and a matching \$7,200 given to the students' schools. Participation Awards were given to ten schools, for a total of \$1,000. In all, \$15,400 was awarded to students and schools in the Oro Loma Sanitary District. Arroyo High School (\$1,100), East Bay Arts (\$600), and Dayton Elementary School (\$600) were the top prize-winning schools.

Oro Loma Earth Day 2007 Poster Contest Winners

Prize	Student	School
K-1	1st Theodora Buchanan	Thomas Jefferson Elementary
K-1	2nd Elias Sosa	Calvary Lutheran
K-1	3rd Sophie Tekle	Dayton Elementary
K-1	HM Enrique de la Cruz	Calvary Lutheran
K-1	HM Angel Tolentino	Dayton Elementary
2-3	1st Maria Contreras	Del Rey Elementary
2-3	2nd Ryan Le	Dayton Elementary
2-3	3rd Lauren Avilla	St. Felicitas
2-3	HM Amy Xie	Chinese Christian
2-3	HM Karrin Huang	Community Christian
4-5	1st Maiyi Huang	Grant Elementary
4-5	2nd Lily Huang	Community Christian
4-5	3rd Nathan Kok	Chinese Christian
4-5	HM Sarah Silva	Calvary Lutheran
4-5	HM Jessica Pham	Corvallis Elementary
6-8	1st Beatrice Seifert	KIPP Summit Academy
6-8	2nd Margaret Daly	Assumption
6-8	3rd Nolan Fisher	Bohannon Middle School
6-8	HM Meztli Montalvo	Edendale Middle School
6-8	HM Mark David	Washington Manor
9-10	1st Lupita Gonzalez	East Bay Arts
9-10	2nd Anh Bui	Arroyo High School
9-10	3rd Mable Huang	Arroyo High School
9-10	HM Rachel Law	East Bay Arts
9-10	HM Sefanaia Esera	San Leandro High School
11-12	1st Christian Figueroa	Arroyo High School
11-12	2nd Daniel Gonzalez	Royal Sunset High School
11-12	3rd Rachel Green	Redwood Christian
11-12	HM Eric Quach	Arroyo High School
11-12	HM Se-Hee Lee	Redwood Christian



Clockwise from top left: Oro Loma/Waste Management Earth Day 2007 Poster Contest winners; Refreshments were enjoyed by all; Schools received matching prizes; Over 250 friends, family, and officials gathered to honor the 2007 winners.

