Oro Loma/Waste Management Earth Day 2010 Poster Contest Winners

A festive ceremony was held in the Titan Auditorium of the Marina Community Center in San Leandro on Tuesday, May 25, to honor the winners of the 16th annual Oro Loma/Waste Management Earth Day Poster Contest.

Close to 3,000 students from 33 schools 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 Easy Being Green—Food Scrap Recycling,” highlighted Oro Loma’s new food scrap recycling program.

Winning students were awarded cash prizes of $700 for First Place, $500 for Second Place, $300 for Third Place, and $150 for Honorable Mention (two awarded) in each of six K-12 grade groups. The winning students’ schools also received matching cash prizes.

Students found out they were cash winners on Earth Day, April 22, but it wasn’t until the awards ceremony on May 25 that they found out which prize they had won.

Prizes totaling $10,800 were awarded to students, and an equal $10,800 given to the students’ schools. Schools that submitted eligible posters but had no winners, were given a $100 Participation Award, for a total of $1,600. In all, $23,200 was awarded to students and schools in the Oro Loma Sanitary District.

Del Rey Elementary School ($1,400), Calvary Lutheran School ($1,300), and Redwood Christian School ($1,200) were the top three winning schools.

A complete list of winning students and prizes with links to their posters is available online at www.oroloma.org.