

Illinois Department of Transportation
Office of Sustainable Practices

2011 Rain Barrel Design Competition



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1/19/2011-03/07/2011

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January 19, 2011
through
March 7, 2011

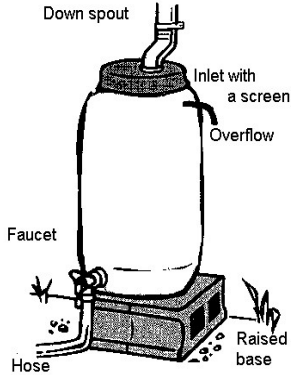


The Illinois Department of Transportation is pleased to announce that from January 19, 2011 through March 7, 2011, a Rain Barrel Design Competition will be underway in which 45 creative designs for rain barrels will be chosen from participating Illinois schools as an effort to promote water recycling while enhancing artistic abilities. The 45 rain barrels have been generously donated by Illinois Department of Corrections/Illinois Correctional Industries. All Illinois schools, grades Kindergarten through 5, are eligible to participate and the winning schools will receive a rain barrel to decorate and utilize at **no cost** to the school. This is an excellent opportunity for science and art classes to participate in a program that will enhance lesson plans on the importance of sustainability and the environment while encouraging kids to get their creativity flowing!



Particulars:

- Any Illinois elementary school is eligible.
- 45 schools' creative designs will be chosen.
- (2) Age Categories; K-3, 4-5
- Participation is easy! Select a student's design and mail in!
- Winning school is given a rain barrel to decorate and will be recognized as an IDOT Sustainable Partner!



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Submissions shall be sent to:
Illinois Department of Transportation
Office of Sustainable Practices
700 East Norris Drive
Ottawa, IL 61350
Attention: Steve Massey

Phone: 815-434-8414
Email: steve.massey@illinois.gov



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Background: A rain barrel is a plastic container that catches water runoff from roofs by attaching a drainpipe to the barrel. This container allows users to recycle water resources and help reduce stormwater runoff. Stormwater runoff is water from rain or snowfall that flows from rooftops, across streets and through grass to the nearest body of water. During the water's journey to the larger body of water, several pollutants are mixed with the water along the way including motor oil, grease, gas, animal waste, fertilizers and herbicides. This unclean water eventually becomes mixed with our drinking water. By utilizing a rain barrel, the amount of unclean water flowing towards sewer treatment facilities is reduced while decreasing the amount of runoff pollution thereby helping our rivers, lakes and streams stay clean. A rain barrel will also lower a person's water bill while creating an alternative source of water during times of drought or between rainfalls. The Illinois Department of Transportation is committed to reducing the amount of unclean water polluting our water resources by facilitating the competition, in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Corrections/Illinois Correctional Industries, with the goal of encouraging Illinois students to incorporate green practices into their lives at an early age.

Rules:

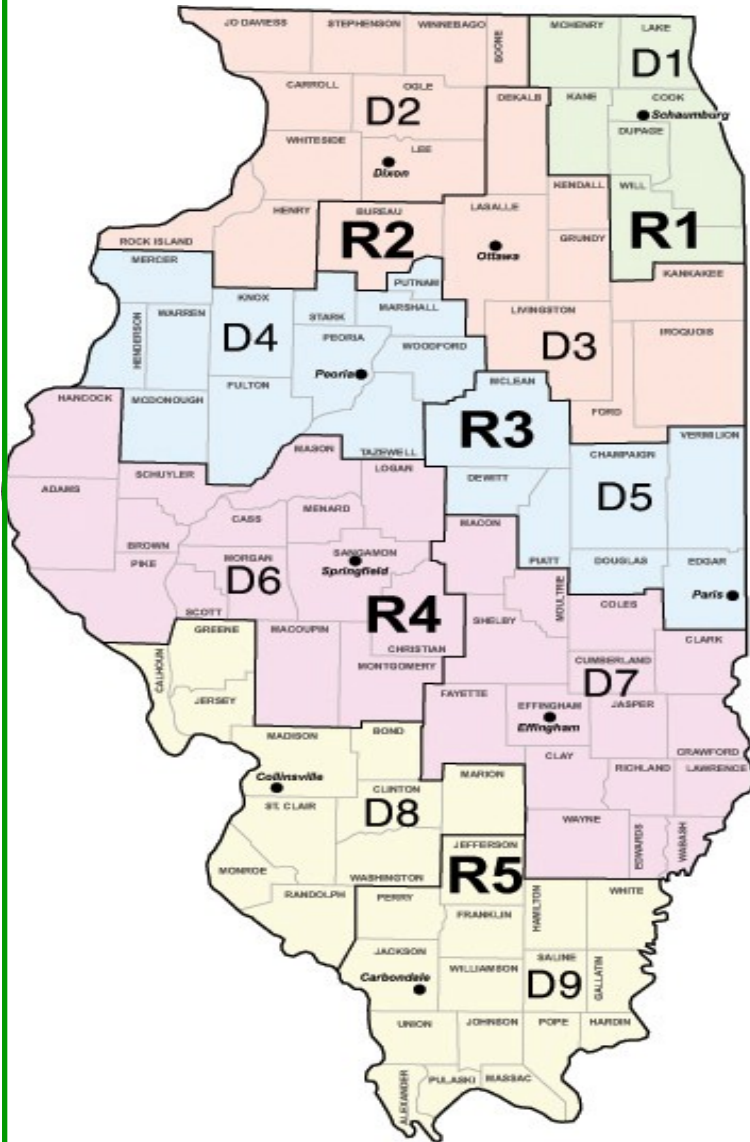
1. In this packet is a rain barrel template on which the selected student design **MUST** be drawn in crayon, colored pencils or markers. No paint, chalk or computer designs will be accepted. Save the paint for the rain barrel decorating!
2. Students should utilize a nature, conservation, wildlife or recycling theme.
3. Submissions must be from one or both of the elementary grade categories: K-3 or 4-5. Schools may submit 1 drawing for each grade category.
4. Deadline for submissions is **March 7, 2011** and must be postmarked no later than that day or they will be ineligible.
5. Teachers and parents are prohibited from assisting with the design. If the judges deem these rules have been violated, they have the right to disqualify the submittal.
6. The artist (s) that designed the school's submittal must have a Release and Waiver of Liability signed by a parent or legal guardian and it must accompany the design upon its' submittal.
7. Artwork becomes the property of IDOT and may be used at our discretion for promotional and other purposes.
8. The Council of Sustainable Practices will judge the designs together, deeming the top 5 designs within each of the nine IDOT districts winners (see map). The Council will make their decision based on artistic ability, creativity and successful communication of the theme.
9. Winning schools will be notified via email with the understanding that the artist or school is expected to paint the winning design on the rain barrel by Earth Day on April 22, 2011.
10. Have fun and be creative!

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IDOT District Map & Counties



District 3 (D3)

Bureau DeKalb Ford Grundy Iroquois
Kankakee Kendall LaSalle Livingston

District 4 (D4)

Fulton Henderson Knox McDonough
Marshall Mercer Peoria Putnam
Stark Tazewell Warren Woodford

District 5 (D5)

Champaign DeWitt Douglas
Edgar McLean Piatt
Vermillion

District 6 (D6)

Adams Brown Cass Christian Hancock
Logan Mason Pike Menard Macoupin
Sangamon Schuyler Scott Montgomery
Morgan

District 7 (D7)

Clark Clay Coles Crawford Edwards
Cumberland Effingham Fayette Jasper
Lawrence Macon Moultrie Richland
Shelby Wabash Wayne

District 8 (D8)

Bond Calhoun Clinton Greene
Jersey Madison Marion Monroe
Randolph St. Clair Washington

District 9 (D9)

Alexander Franklin Gallatin Hamilton Perry
Hardin Jackson Jefferson Johnson Pope Massac
Pulaski Saline Union White Williamson

District 1 (D1)

Cook DuPage Will
Kane Lake McHenry

District 2 (D2)

Boone Carroll Henry
JoDaviess Rock Island Stephenson
Lee Whiteside Ogle Winnebago

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

This Release and Waiver of Liability (“Release”) confirms the agreement between you and the State of Illinois, Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to collectively as “Sponsor”) regarding your minor child’s participation in the Illinois Rain Barrel Design Competition 2010/2011, wherein laundry detergent containers will be recycled into decorative rain barrels.

The Undersigned custodial parent or legal guardian hereby irrevocably grants to the Sponsor and their authorized agents perpetually, exclusively, and for all media (print, electronic, video and other formats), the right to use the artwork submitted for this contest through your minor child’s school, and any reproductions of that artwork, and to identify your minor child as the artist, in any promotional materials at the exclusive discretion of the Sponsor and their authorized agents. Further, the Undersigned custodial parent or legal guardian agrees to allow the Sponsor to use said artwork and identification of your minor child as the artist without any compensation of any type or form to the Undersigned custodial parent or legal guardian.

Further, the Undersigned custodial parent or legal guardian knowingly, freely and voluntarily releases, and discharges the Sponsor, their officers, agents, representatives, servants and employees from any and all liability, claims, judgments, claims, demands, costs, causes of action, including without limitation rights of privacy and publicity, and damages of any kind for any personal injury, losses or damages, known or unknown, to the Undersigned and the Undersigned’s minor child caused by, or arising out of the minor child’s participation in the Rain Barrel Design Competition, the Sponsor use of the minor child’s artwork or the identification of your minor child as the artist.

This Agreement shall not obligate the Sponsor or their authorized agents to use the name of the artwork, or to use any of the rights granted hereunder, or to prepare, produce, exhibit, distribute or in any way exploit the artwork.

The Sponsor shall retain the right to assign their rights hereunder without the consent of the Undersigned, in whole or in part, to any person, firm, organization, or corporation.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS IT. THE UNDERSIGNED REPRESENTS THAT HE OR SHE IS THE CUSTODIAL PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF THE MINOR CHILD NAMED BELOW. THE UNDERSIGNED CONSENTS TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS STATED IN THE RELEASE AND WAIVER ON BEHALF OF HIS OR HER MINOR CHILD. THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT HE OR SHE HAS THE LEGAL AUTHORITY TO GRANT SUCH CONSENT.

Print Name of Minor Child/Artist

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

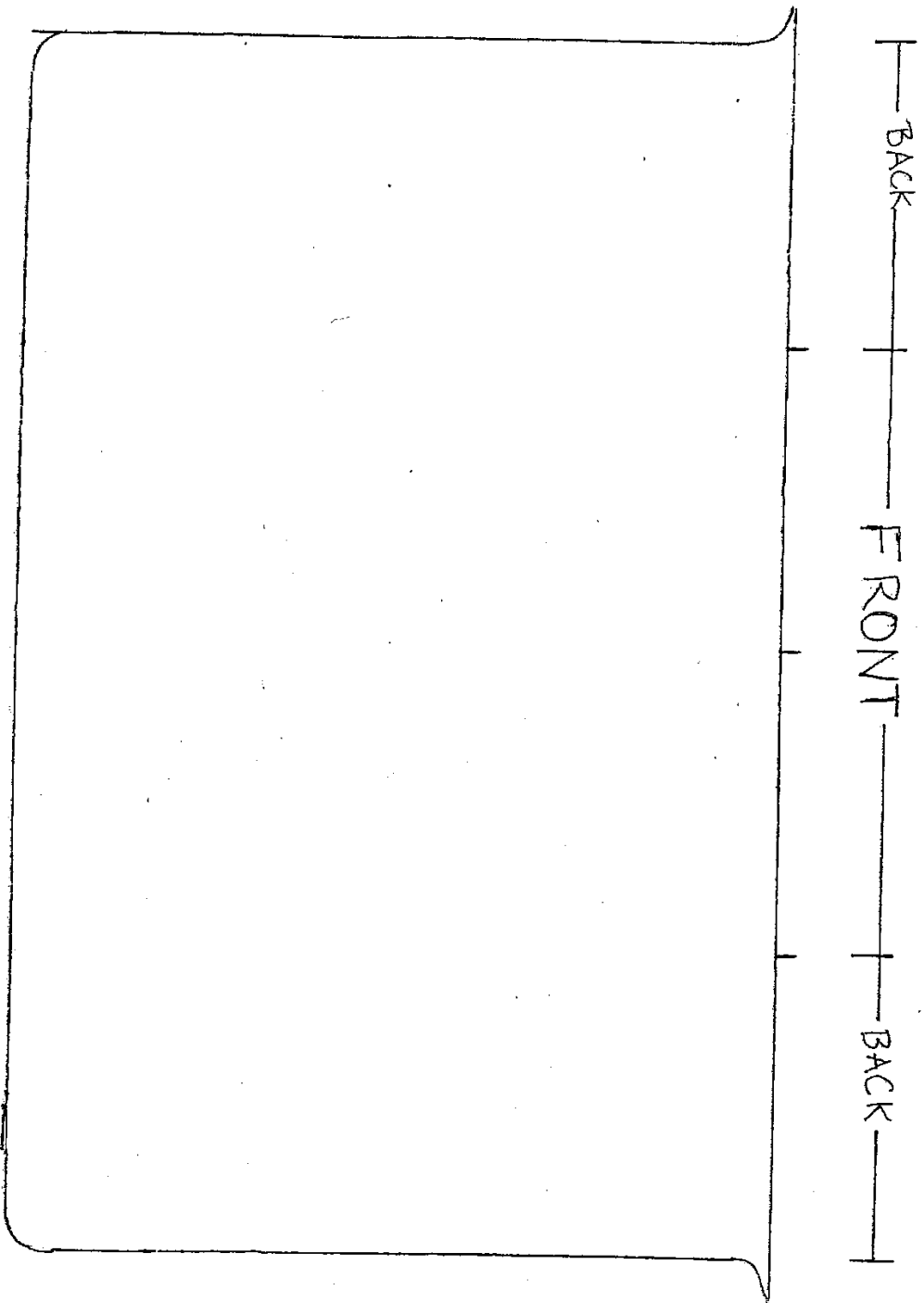
Print Name of Parent or Legal Guardian

Name of School

Date

Witness

Illinois Rain Barrel Design Competition Template



Rain Barrel Template Dimensions: 5 X 8 inches
Rain Barrel Dimensions: 35 X 72 inches*
*Measurements may not be exact