

Make Your Playground Clean and Safe— **BE A DANGER DETECTIVE**

To celebrate National Playground Safety Week, which runs from April 22-26, 2019, HAI Group is holding its annual *Playground Safety Poster and Essay Contest*. The theme this year is **Make Your Playground Clean and Safe—Be a Danger Detective!**

Ask the private eyes at your housing agency to look for dangers at their playground. If they find anything suspicious, let them know that they should tell their parents or another adult.

Then, using their talents, they can draw pictures and write stories to describe how they made their playground a safe place for all. The contest is open to children between the ages of 6 and 14. The best posters and essays will receive prizes courtesy of HAI Group, the insurer of choice for the public and affordable housing community.



CONTEST RULES

Participants must be residents of member public housing agencies. Children 6-14 years of age may enter. There will be one poster winner and one essay winner for each of the three categories: 6-8 years, 9-11 years, and 12-14 years. Children may enter either one contest or both.

You must e-mail, fax, or mail the attached registration form no later than Friday, April 5, 2019, showing your intent to participate in the contest.

All essays/posters should be on the topic of playground safety. The theme for this year is **Make Your Playground Clean and Safe – Be a Danger Detective!**

Each housing agency should hold its own judging prior to our contest due date. We suggest the week of April 22-26, 2019, which is National Playground Safety Week. You are encouraged to acknowledge winners in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each age group on the local level. All participants will receive recognition certificates for their contributions from HAI Group.

After your local contest, choose one poster and one essay for each age category (total of six), to be submitted for national judging. Submissions will not be returned. The submission deadline is Friday, May 10, 2019. HAI Group will judge the national contest in late May.

There are three prize levels awarded in each category for national winners. National winners will receive a \$100 gift certificate for 1st place, a \$40 gift certificate for 2nd place, or a \$25 gift certificate for 3rd place from Walmart or Barnes & Noble. A total of 18 gift certificates will be awarded.

Each poster or essay must have the following information written clearly on the back: the participant's first and last name, age, address, and the participant's housing agency name and housing agency contact person. Posters should be created on standard 22" x 28" poster board or smaller.

The housing agency contact must submit a letter to HAI Group before the contest deadline listing the participants' first and last names and ages. This is the only way we can award participation certificates to all children! In the letter, please include the housing agency name, contact person, and phone number. Awards and certificates will be sent to the housing agency contact for distribution.

**All entries to be considered for national judging must be
RECEIVED IN OUR OFFICE BY FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2019.**

2019 Playground Safety Poster & Essay Contest Form

Please fill out this registration form for the participating housing agency only — **one form per housing agency**. If multiple sites from your housing agency are participating, please coordinate and submit a maximum of six entries total from your housing agency.
(Do not register individual children on this form.)

Housing Agency: _____

Coordinator Contact Name: _____

Title: _____

Contact's E-mail Address: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Our housing agency will participate in the following:

- Poster Contest
- Essay Contest
- Poster and Essay Contest

This form is fillable and can be submitted by email or printed out and sent by regular mail or fax. Please send in your registration no later than **Friday, April 5, 2019**.

Only residents of HARRG or HAPI member housing agencies are eligible to receive prizes.

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