ECO YOUTH AWARD



2017

ELIGIBILITY

- Youth must be between 6 and 18 years old
- There is no minimum or maximum number of youth required to take part in a project
- Youth can submit as a group, class, school, community group / club, team or as an individual
- There is no limit to the number of entries that each school / group / individual can submit
- Youth must enter into one of the four levels listed below

Levels

- ❖ Grade 1 4
- ❖ Grade 5 8
- ❖ Grade 9 12
- Community groups / teams / clubs / homeschools / individuals

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The ECO Youth Awards provide youth recognition for their efforts on a wide range of environmental stewardship initiatives as well as to help youth implement or enhance projects and programs with an environmental focus. Youth may use a current project or propose a new environmental project or activity to enter the award competition.

The project may cover any environmental topic and may include but is not limited to: climate change, water, air, waste and recycling, soil, transportation, food, energy, etc.

Award

A financial award of \$750.00, donated by FortisAlberta and the City of Airdrie, will be awarded to one submission winner in each level. The prize is intended to assist with implementing a proposed initiative or to build on an existing project or program. Winners will be recognized at an Environmental Advisory Board meeting in early 2018.

APPLICATION

Project proposals should include:

- A detailed explanation of the project and timeline for carrying out the project
- How the project will positively impact students' academic experience, school, or community
- Explanation of student roles and learning outcomes
- Summary of the budget required for the project, overview of how funding will be spent and any additional funding sources

Deadline: December 15, 2017

Submission: education@airdrie.ca OR by mail to

21 East Lake Hill, Airdrie, AB T4K 2A3

Evaluation

A panel of judges, comprised of members of the Environmental Advisory Board and City of Airdrie staff will evaluate proposals based on the criteria listed in the rubric.

For questions about the program email education@airdrie.ca or call 403-948-0246



Level Criteria	Excellent	Proficient	Adequate	Insufficient	Weight
Clear focus on environmental message or issue	Proposal has clear focus on an environmental message or issue	Proposal supports an environmental issue	Proposal provides general information on an environmental issue	Proposal does not focus on an environmental message or issue	15%
Addresses environmental message or issue from a new perspective	Proposal addresses an environmental issue from a new perspective with a clear plan on how to address the issue	Proposal addresses an environmental issue from a new perspective	Proposal addresses an environmental issue with minimal outlook from a new perspective	Project does not address environmental message or issue with a new perspective	25%
Strengthens the students understanding of the environment	Proposal contributes to strengthening students environmental education and promotes education in the community	Proposal stresses environmental education and understanding	Proposal adequately increases environmental education	Project does not contribute to environmental education	25%
Project will have a positive and lasting impact on the participants and community	Proposal has a positive and lasting impact on participants and the community	Proposal has a positive impact on the participants or community	Proposal has an impact on the participants	Project does not have an impact on participants or community	25%
Project proposal has set an achievable timeline within the school year	Project can be achieved in school year	Ability to complete project during school year will be difficult	Ability to achieve project during school year is questionable	Project cannot be completed during school year	5%
Proposal includes a detailed budget including additional sources of funding	Proposal has a detailed budget outlining the way prize money will be used and any additional sources of funding	Proposal has a budget outlining what the prize money will be used for	Proposal has a generic budget	Proposal does not include a budget	5%
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