



LORAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Dear Educators,

The Lorain County Solid Waste Management District is holding our annual calendar contest. This year, the contest has been moved to the fall—both to avoid the busy spring season for teachers and to ensure the calendar is distributed right when it's needed most.

All entries must be received by Wednesday, October 15, 2025.

We are asking students to create a picture with the theme of Recycling, Litter Prevention or Sustainability. Winning entries will make up the 2026 Lorain County Solid Waste Management District Calendar!

Please see the attached form to submit your calendar entry. **If you would like pre-printed, blank entry forms – please email me with the number needed for your class / school.**

CONTEST INFORMATION:

- Eligibility: Open to all Lorain County students in grades 1st –12th (public, private & homeschool).
- There will be 13 winning entries (one for each month plus a cover photo) that will be used to create the **2026 Lorain County Solid Waste Management District Calendar**.
- The students with winning entries will receive a \$50 check, recognition by the Lorain County Board of Commissioners and printed calendars to hand out to family & friends!
- Original artwork only. (No copyrighted or trademarked content)
- Drawings will be judged on creativity, neatness, spelling and relevance to the theme and become the property of the Lorain County Solid Waste Management District.

ATTENTION: Drawings must be returned to the Solid Waste District by close of business on October 15, 2025.

We look forward to seeing all the great designs! If you have any questions, I can be reached at bschnell@loraincounty.us or (440) 328-2249. *I also offer in-school presentations on waste reduction, recycling, and sustainability, and our new facility is now available to for field trips—please contact me for more information.*

Sincerely,

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