



Earth Day Contest 2020

Why the Frogs of Forsyth Need Saving

Contest Details

Frogs have been around for at least 250 million years. This means that frogs have lived through 3–THREE–different mass extinctions, including the one that killed all the dinosaurs. Despite living millions of years and surviving even the extinction of the dinosaurs, frogs are now dying off in record numbers. They simply are unable to handle the current environmental stressors, which is a desperate signal that the earth needs help combating pollution and other environmental stressors. They are extraordinary animals that add not only diversity but also beauty to our Earth. Their disappearance would radically rewire ecosystems all over the Earth and change the way humans inhabit their many environments.

For your entry, create a PowerPoint or Video presentation no longer 5 minutes in length (song, news report, animation, or skit):

- educating others about the 14 Frogs of Forsyth County
- their importance to the ecosystem
- what we all can do to help save these important little creatures that act as a lens to the ways we understand climate change, pollution, conservation, evolution and a host of other profoundly important issues.

Entry may be done in a group or individually. Note: If group is wins, cash prize will be divided among group. Videos can be posted on YouTube or Vimeo. Send link and completed Entry Form to info@reapingnature.org. Winners will be notified by email or telephone by Thursday, November 19, 2020. All contest entries must be received by Sunday, November 15, 2020 (America Recycles Day!).

Contest is open to Forsyth County middle school and high school students (public, private and homeschool). Winners in first (\$125), second (\$75) and third (\$50) place. Please read Official Rules for details. Cash prizes made possible through a donation by the Sawnee Woman's Club (serving Forsyth County since 1985 – www.sawneewomansclub.org).

Resources:

- Visit Keep Forsyth County Beautiful on Instagram and learn about the Frogs in Forsyth.
- Read a book online at: <https://www.uniteforliteracy.com/aark/arkbooks/book?BookId=1529>
- Listen to the Frogs of Forsyth: <http://fcmasternaturalists.com/frog-calls/>
- <https://www.google.com/amp/s/gonefroggin.com/2016/09/26/frogs-and-toads-of-georgia/amp/>
- <http://home.nps.gov/chat/learn/nature/frogs.htm>

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