

PRESS RELEASE

Schaumburg Engineering and Public Works Department Hosts Drawing Contest for Local Students

Contest Asks Young Artists to "Show Your Thanks for Public Works Service to the Community."

SCHAUMBURG, IL (April 6, 2022) – The Schaumburg Engineering & Public Works Department is once again hosting a contest for children to win a chance to have their artwork featured at an upcoming village event.

The contest is open to Schaumburg residents enrolled in kindergarten through eighth grade. Relatives of Village of Schaumburg employees are not eligible to participate.

To enter, young artists are asked to submit drawings as a way of thanking the village's Public Works staff. Submissions can include drawings of people, projects, or vehicles and should be created on an 8.5" x 11" sheet of paper. Some ways that the Public Works Department helps our community include:

- Keeping safe water flowing to faucets
- Maintaining fire hydrants
- Planting trees
- Overseeing the construction of roads, curbs, sidewalks, bridges, and bike paths
- Plowing snow
- Repairing potholes
- Maintaining streetlights
- Making sure underground storm and sanitary sewers remain flowing
- Producing and installing street and traffic signs
- Coordinating and providing garbage and recycling services
- Repairing village vehicles to keep them in service

Original drawings will be accepted through 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 27. Please scan the artwork and submit a digital copy via email along with the student's name and age to <u>lwalter@schaumburg.com</u>. There is no fee to enter the contest.

Entries will be judged and awarded by three grade groups: Kindergarten through 2nd grade, 3rd through 5th grade, and 6th through 8th grade. All contest winners will be announced Monday, May 2. The winners will be recognized by the village at the Engineering and Public Works Open House on Saturday, May 14 or at a future village board meeting. Winning drawings will be featured on the village's communication channels. Contest winners will also receive a personalized street sign from the village.

For questions regarding the contest, please contact Laurie Walter at <u>lwalter@schaumburg.com</u> or call (847) 923-6612.

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