

15th Annual Lyme Disease Awareness K-8th Poster Contest



Theme:

Little Tick, Big Deal

Contest Rules:

- **Eligibility:** Contest open for any child in Maine, K-8th grade or equivalent age.
- **Number of Entries:** Submit only one poster per child.
- **Release:** Each submission **MUST** have a signed release waiver.
- **Deadline:** Entries must be received by Maine CDC by Tuesday, April 30, 2024. See address below.
- **Judging:** Maine CDC employees judge and vote on winning posters.
- **Winners and Recognition:** Maine CDC will notify winners by Friday May 24, 2024. A total of 4 winners will be chosen (one each for grades K-1, 2-3, 4-5, and 6-8).
 - Winners receive a one-day family pass to a Maine State Park of their choice. Each member of the winner's family or classroom will also receive a tick removal kit.
- **Property:** All posters become the property of Maine CDC and will not be returned. Maine CDC may duplicate the posters to use as part of the Lyme Disease Awareness promotional efforts but in no instance will this involve monetary transactions. If a child/parent/guardian does not want the poster to be duplicated, "DO NOT DUPLICATE" must be printed on the back of the poster.
- **Send poster entries to:**

Infectious Disease Epidemiology
Maine CDC
286 Water St, 6th Floor
Augusta, ME 04333-0011

Poster Design:

- **Art Medium:** Poster submission may use drawing, painting, photography, or other digital medium. Submission must be original work by child. No AI generated art accepted.
- **Size:** Maximum size is 12x18 inches. Please do not laminate or mount posters.
- **Submission:** Print the following information on the back of each poster entry:
 - Child's name
 - School name
 - Grade
 - Child's address
 - Teacher's name
 - Contact phone number

Winning Posters Should:

- Show the importance of preventing tick bites to stop Lyme disease and other tickborne diseases.
- Illustrate at least 1 of the 4 approaches to personal protection:
 - Use caution in tick-infested areas.
 - Use an EPA-approved repellent.
 - Wear protective clothing.
 - Perform daily tick checks.
 - **Learn more at www.maine.gov/lyme.**
- Be creative, colorful, and easily seen from a distance.

Questions? Email the Vectorborne Disease Health Educator:
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