

United Water: Water Week Contest a Great Success with Students

United Water has spread the word about the most valuable resource...WATER, with a great turn out of student's participation of over 300 entries. All entries were filled with creativity and a lot of hard work showing the importance of water and expressing their thoughts in so many ways. United Water was amazed with all the different posters that were created and how valuable all the information was to read, which gave each one of the staff something to smile about, but also share with others.

Each student celebrated the importance of water, but also learned so much more about the water system, pollution, leaks, oil spills and how each one can be affected in the water system. They expressed water through a song, poem, comic, a story and also a picture that brought out what each student sees and knows about water. After looking at each of the coloring and writing entries, the students did their homework and so much more, a lot of hard work and thoughts were put into this which showed in every entry.

United Water would like to thank each student that participated throughout the Portage Public Schools and remind them that their work has shown that water will be protected and valued in so many ways. Water is the world's most precious resource and every student showed that importance.

After going through all the entries United Water would like to announce the final winner for the coloring and writing contest. **Ryan Ferguson:** Moorsbridge Elementary-5th grade "An awesome 3-D poster expressing a lot of creativity and hard work." **Dalton Kokmeyer:** North Middle School-6th grade "A well written poem that showed the importance of water in so many ways."

The students who were selected for the winners of Water Week contest were: **Amberly Elementary:** Lauren Rorabaugh, Amber Robbe and Ben Eiler **Angling Elementary:** Audrey Wilson, Audrey Everett, Jas Singh, Sydney Kruggel, Gracie Hayfield, Gabriella Ford, Aayush Mohanty, Alexis Doorlag, Olivia Kakabeeka **12th Street Elementary:** Natahan Klawender, Dielia Fowler, Jack Liu, Emmaline Greter, Jonah Yardley, Malerie Klawender, Jenni Bradley **Haverhill Elementary:** Avery Walman, Zayden Foster, Grace Smith, Danny Jauch, Mecasia Hawkey, Danny Jauch, Nick Stimley, Emma Hankey, Danielle Pike **Lake Center Elementary:** Elliott Ryan, Max Reeder-Hayes, Kyle Ritchie, Alyshia West, Daleth James, Loren Bly, Cara Haas, Sydney Boelman **Moorsbridge Elementary:** Grace Fan, Olivia Green, Choloe Labian, Hailie Doyle, Josh Cummins, Lauren Dowdy, Zack Pollack, Darrian Chen **Woodland Elementary:** Tavishi Budagavi, Audrey Wells, Carter Wells, Irene Choi, Fiona Doyle, Maddison Sloniker, Alexandria Mooris, Sarah Boyle, Sooin Choi **North Middle School:** Justin Penny, Stephanie Truitte, Sierra Idzkowski, Nikki Dooley, Sajjon Lavoti, Tina Morgan, Jeremiah Stepp, EJ Yetter, Maya Allao, Kiara Hays, Logan Lewis, Devin Dumont, Raykhona A, Leeanna Scott, Emily Krieger, Alyssa Conley, Steward Sell, Andrew Dixon, Noah McCombs, Ashley Cook, Nathan Slocum. United Water thanks each student for taking the time to celebrate Water Week and share your thoughts, but most of all your creativity about water with us. United Water gave each winner different prizes and an award to show our appreciation of the hard work each student did. United Water thanks each student again and to remember "Keep the world's most precious resource 'Water' safe."

