

Daniel J. Panico, Supervisor

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Jessica Schmettan, Superintendent Port Jefferson Union Free School District 550 Scraggy Hill Road, Port Jefferson, NY 11777

Dear Superintendent Schmettan,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to present an opportunity to engage Brookhaven's youth with issues that are more pertinent now than ever: the protection of our environment through increased recycling, waste reduction, and litter prevention.

To encourage student participation in these issues, the Town of Brookhaven is launching its inaugural Recycling Poster Contest this fall. We will select winners in several age groups, and their posters will be featured in Town publications. Additionally, they will be invited to the November 19<sup>th</sup> Town Board Meeting to celebrate their artwork.

We are calling upon students to create a letter-sized poster based on one of two themes:

- 1) Recycle Every Day, or
- 2) Stop Litter.

Posters must be the original work of the student and must be submitted electronically by Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm. Full details and the electronic submission form are found at BrookhavenNY.gov/Poster.

Enclosed is a flyer for this contest which I ask you to share with all principals and teachers within your school district. Should faculty or students have any questions, they can reach out to Brookhaven Town's Recycling Educator, Zachary Sicardi, at zsicardi@brookhavenny.gov or 631-451-6255.

Thank you for taking the time to foster the positive impacts we know this opportunity can have both for the students and for Brookhaven Town at large. I look forward to seeing the creative talents that the Port Jefferson School District has to offer.

Sincerely.

Daniel J. Panico Town Supervisor



# RECYCLING POSTER CONTEST

The Town of Brookhaven invites you to participate in the inaugural Brookhaven Recycles
Poster Contest! The contest is open to students grades K-12. Show us your best artwork
that will inspire others to reduce, reuse, recycle, and take better care of our planet.

### **PICK A THEME!**

# THEME IS RECYCLE EVERY DAY!

Items we use every day belong in the recycling bin.
That may be your water bottle, soda can, or cardboard boxes.
Think of the things you use every day that can be recycled and use them as inspiration for your poster!

# THEME 2: STOP LITTER!

No one likes to see trash on the road or in our parks.

It can clog or travel through the storm-water drains or flow to the road ends and make its way into the creeks, rivers and bays.

Litter can harm wildlife. Create a poster that motivates people to be more careful about how they discard their trash.

#### How to Enter

All posters must be submitted electronically. Please upload your artwork to the Town website at:

BrookhavenNY.gov/poster as a JPEG, PNG, or PDF file.

The deadline to submit your poster is Tuesday, Oct 29th at 8 pm.



#### **SCAN FOR CONTEST DETAILS!**

For more information please contact Brookhaven's Department of Recycling & Sustainable Materials Management by calling 631-451-TOWN or emailing us at wastemanagement@brookhavenny.gov