



# Attention 5th Graders



We welcome your participation in the  
U.S. Department of Justice's National  
Missing Children's Day Poster Contest

**You, your parents/guardians, and teacher  
could win a trip to Washington, D.C.!**

## Contest Rules

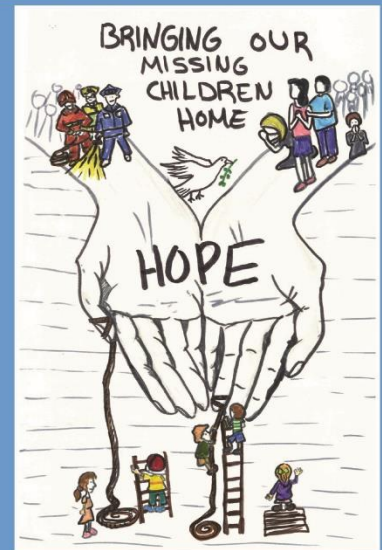
Students must create a poster that demonstrates the theme "Bringing Our Missing Children Home".

1. The finished poster must be 8 ½ x 14 inches.
2. The slogan "Bringing Our Missing Children Home" must appear somewhere on the poster.
3. Posters must be created by hand. Posters with printed images, collages, and stamping are not eligible.
4. Posters should be original in design. Be creative! Use acrylics, watercolor, pencil, charcoal, magic markers, spray paint, crayons, pastels, and etc.

To view previous artwork, visit the Featured Resources section on: [ncjtc.org/mcd](https://ncjtc.org/mcd)

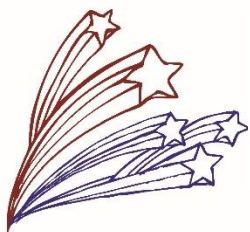
5. The poster must be submitted with a completed application, which includes a description of the poster and a brief biography of the artist.

**Posters must be submitted to your state contest manager for local judging by the submissions deadline.**



"Hope is the theme I chose for my picture. The drawing shows two hands with the word hope. On the right hand you have victims families and on the left you have rescue teams. Both are walking towards hope searching for their children. With hope, it allowed them to never give up and are getting closer to finding them. On the bottom, it represents the children who have hope, which has motivated them to get back to their families. The bird between the hands is a symbol of hope. A sign and comfort to the families to keep going."

**Ayoub A. | New York  
2023 Poster Contest Winner**



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