



PRINT VERSION: GENERAL RELEASE 2018-2019
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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child (print first and last name), _____, in grade _____ has been invited to participate in a program offered by the University of Massachusetts through its Lowell and Boston Campuses, titled, "Cool Science" and hosted by Professors Jill Lohmeier and Robert Chen. As part of the program your child may create artwork that will be turned in to the University of Massachusetts. The artwork may be used, copied, distributed and displayed in any manner, including in public venues inside and outside the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, such as public buildings and public transportation, over the Internet, in publications or any other media. The art work may also be placed on items such as coffee mugs and t-shirts which will then be sold to raise funds to continue the program. The artwork may also be used alongside logos of sponsoring organizations, businesses, and/or individuals. Information provided here and the artwork may also be used for educational research purposes, although any findings reported would not include any children's names or identifying information.

Please sign below to indicate that you give permission to the University of Massachusetts to copy, distribute, display and other wise use the art work. You agree that your child's first name and grade level (but not his/her last name) may be used to acknowledge his/her authorship of the art work.

You understand that the art work will not be returned to you or your child. You further understand that University of Massachusetts is in no way obligated to use the art work and that neither your child nor you will receive any compensation for the rights granted in this release. You understand that your child has the right to not participate in this competition even if you have given him/her permission.

Signature of Authorized Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

Please Print Clearly

Suggested Title for Artwork: _____

Prompt Addressed in Artwork (check one):

- _____ 1. The "Greenhouse Effect" warms the surface of the Earth. Greenhouse gases absorb heat energy that would otherwise leave the surface of the Earth. Burning of fossil fuels enhances this effect by increasing Greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere leading to increasing surface temperatures. Create an image that explains how the Greenhouse Effect works.
- _____ 2. Fossil fuels such as coal, natural gas, and oil all produce carbon dioxide when they are burned to produce energy. What energy sources lead to fewer carbon dioxide emissions than fossil fuels?
- _____ 3. Hurricanes are generated over warm oceans and travel towards land. When they hit land (the East Coast of the US for example), they can cause destruction of homes, flooding, and disruption of everyday life. How can your community prepare for more frequent and/or more intense hurricanes?

Artist's Gender: Male Female

Artist's Hometown: _____ Artist's Hometown Paper: _____

Parent/Guardian First Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Last Name: _____

Email: @ _____

Telephone: _____

Teacher 1's Name: _____ Teacher 1's Email: _____

Teacher 2's Name: _____ Teacher 2's Email: _____

School Name: _____ Or Check here if student is home schooled _____

Is the artwork presented the work of the student identified above? (circle) YES or NO Was

the artwork completed as part of a classroom project? (circle) YES or NO

If yes, what was the subject of the class? (circle) Art, Science, History, Math, Other: _____

(If submitting through the mail, please tape this completed Release Form to the back of the student's artwork.)