



West Windsor Township Arbor Day K-8 Student Art Contest - 2026

2026 THEME: Revolutionary Roots

“Revolutionary Roots” reminds us that trees have always been part of our story—from the Liberty Trees of the American Revolution to the trees we plant today. Just as the roots of a tree help it grow tall and strong, the roots of our history help guide our future. Think about how trees connect the past, present, and future. Your artwork can show Liberty Trees, colonial farmers, the Princeton White Oak, or the trees that make West Windsor a wonderful place to live today. When we plant and care for trees, we are growing the next chapter of our community’s history. That is the true meaning of Revolutionary Roots.

CONTEST RULES

- Open to all WWP K-8 students and West Windsor students who are home-schooled or attending private school:
 - Elementary (K- 1st and 2nd-3rd grades)
 - Upper Elementary (4th- 5th grades)
 - Middle school (6th - 8th grades)
- Artwork must be original with the tree theme of: **“Revolutionary Roots”**.
- Artwork must be 2-dimensional; drawings, paintings, photographs/digital images. Maximum size 12” x 18.”
- West Windsor Township Shade Tree Commission and invited guests shall judge entries.
- All work must also include entry form securely taped to the back of artwork & be submitted to Guidance Counselor, Teacher or to the Township directly.
- Any artwork without contact information or a fully completed entry form will not be accepted.
- Artwork will be returned back through School or to the person who submitted it after judging.
- Winning Artwork will be displayed by the Township after Arbor Day and will be returned back through School or person who submitted it.
- Winners must attend Arbor Day celebration to collect their prizes.
- Prizes will be awarded at the West Windsor Arbor Day Celebration, Saturday, April 25th @ approximately 10 AM at the Ronald R. Rogers Arboretum (across from WWP HS South).
- Winners are asked to share their artistic inspiration with those viewing their artwork at the celebration.
- Submissions are due **Wednesday, April 8 @ 4 PM.**

Cash Prizes

GRADE LEVEL

	K-1	2-3	4-5	6-8
First Place	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$85
Second Place	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$45
Third Place	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$25

* RELEASE: By signing below the Parent / Guardian of the student artist hereby grants the Township of West Windsor permission and rights to post an image of the art work submitted herewith on the Township web page in association with this contest and also as a backdrop or side post on the web page.

CONTEST ORGANIZED BY THE WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Entry Form **Please fill in all information** *Entry Form* **Please attach to back of artwork** *Entry Form*

Name: _____ Age: _____
 (STUDENT ARTIST NAME - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY) (On April 8, 2026)

Address: _____

Parent’s Name & Phone number: _____ Parent/Guardian e-mail: _____
 (DAYTIME CONTACT NEEDED TO NOTIFY WINNERS)

*PARENT / GUARDIAN RELEASE TO POST IMAGE OF ARTWORK ON TOWNSHIP WEB PAGE: X _____
 (PARENT / GUARDIAN – SIGNATURE HERE)

School: _____ Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

_____ (Check here for West Windsor students who are home-schooled or are out-of-district students. Please drop off your artwork at the West Windsor Township Offices no later than 4 PM on April 8, 2026 at 271 Clarksville Road, West Windsor Township)

BLANK ENTRY FORMS are available at the Township Offices or via the Township web page – westwindsonj.org