



2016 Poster Contest Entry Requirements

Abre puertas con el español – Abra portas com o português

Please follow these requirements carefully, as there are changes for 2016:

Teachers should contact their AATSP Chapter for Contest deadlines and other submission information. See www.aatsp.org for Chapter contact information. ONLY if your AATSP Chapter does not offer the Poster Contest, may posters be submitted directly to the National Contest Coordinator (see address below). Individual entries that bypass an AATSP Chapter Contest will NOT be considered. *See the information entitled *Organizing an AATSP Chapter Poster Contest* to coordinate a Contest within your local Chapter.

***All posters become the property of AATSP and will not be returned. Permission to use poster or poster image and the name of the school and of the student is granted with submission of the entry.**

TRADITIONAL HAND-DRAWN POSTER RULES:

1. Sponsoring teachers must be AATSP members with dues paid for 2016.
2. The current theme must be written on the poster.
3. Each poster must be the original work of one student; no group entries.
4. **Posters should measure *about* 12 X 18 inches (must be NO LARGER than ½ posterboard size).
5. Any art materials may be used such as watercolor, pen and ink, crayon, chalk, or markers. Winning posters will be reproduced and reprinted; Clear artwork and easy to read messages are best. Markers or paint are preferred for best color.
6. **Primary captions and the majority of poster dialogue, text, or writing MUST BE in Spanish, or Portuguese, and artwork should represent the Hispanic and/or Luso-Brazilian cultures (and Spanish and/or Portuguese languages) in a prominent way.
7. All posters must be the student's original, creative artwork, including illustrations, images, or quotations. Depictions of cartoon, video game, movie, television, or theme characters, or recreations of past poster designs, do not constitute creativity and originality. ABSOLUTELY NO COPYRIGHTED images, figures, or wording are to be used. AATSP holds no liability for copyright infringement.
8. LIMIT: A teacher may submit a maximum of **THREE (3)** posters per category depending on grades taught: The four hand-drawn categories are: (1) K—3rd, (2) 4th—5th, (3) 6th—8th, and (4) 9th—12th grades.
9. JUDGING CRITERIA: Posters will be judged on their visual impact, over-all appealing effect, applicability to the theme, neatness, creativity, and originality.
10. Each poster must be accompanied by the *Student Information Form*; Please TAPE form to the back of the poster.
11. Package posters flat (a full-sized folded posterboard works great; please *do not* roll or fold posters). Mail posters first class to your local AATSP Chapter Poster Contest Coordinator.

***ONLY** if your AATSP Chapter does not offer the Contest, mail posters directly to:

Crystal Vicente, Coordinator, AATSP Poster Contest, 2810 Clayton Drive, Valdosta, GA 31602. Individual entries that bypass an AATSP Chapter Contest will NOT be considered.

Posters must be RECEIVED by the AATSP National Coordinator by **April 1, 2016**. Teachers of winning students will be notified by the end of May 2016.

12. Winning posters will be displayed on the AATSP Website, showcased at the annual conference, and reprinted as necessary.

DIGITAL POSTER RULES (9th –12th grades only)

1. Sponsoring teachers must be AATSP members with dues paid for 2016.

2. The current theme must be written on the poster.

3. Each poster must be the original work of one student; no group entries.

4. ** Primary captions and the majority of poster dialogue, text, or writing **MUST BE** in Spanish or Portuguese, and artwork should represent the Hispanic and/or Luso-Brazilian cultures (and Spanish and/or Portuguese languages) in a prominent way.

5. Winning posters will be reproduced and reprinted. Clear artwork and easy to read messages are best.

6. All posters must be the student's original, creative artwork, including illustrations, images, or quotations. Depictions of cartoon, video game, movie, television, or theme characters, or recreations of past poster designs do not constitute creativity and originality. **ABSOLUTELY NO COPYRIGHTED** images, figures, or wording are to be used. AATSP holds no liability for copyright infringement.

7. Posters may be in the form of graphic designs, digital illustrations, or photographs. Students may use any available design applications/programs.

8. **Save the design into a *high resolution .jpg format* as ChapterName_StudentFirstname_Lastname.

9. **LIMIT:** A teacher may submit a maximum of **THREE (3)** posters for the 9th—12th Digital Category entry.

10. **JUDGING CRITERIA:** Posters will be judged on their visual impact, over all appealing effect, applicability to the theme, neatness, creativity, and originality.

11. Each entry must be accompanied by the *Student Information Form*. Email the .jpg image and *the Student Information Form* **TOGETHER** to the AATSP Chapter Poster Coordinator.

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12. Winning posters will be displayed on the AATSP Website, showcased at the annual conference, and reprinted as necessary.

PRIZES are awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in each of the five following categories. All other participants will receive a participation prize and ribbon.

- Category grades K—3
- Category grades 4—5
- Category grades 6—8
- Category grades 9—12 Hand-drawn
- Category grades 9—12 Digital

For additional information, email Crystal Vicente: postercontest@aatsp.org **Please include your AATSP Chapter name in the subject line.