EARTH DAY ART PROJECT: Teacher Instructions – Take Home

Hello! Thank you for participating in the Flathead Lake Biological Station's Earth Day Art Project, an online Earth Day event!

We know there were many, in-person events scheduled all over our valley for Earth Day, but were canceled due to Covid-19 and the need to practice social distancing. So, still wanting to bring people and students together to think about our Earth and Earth Day, on Earth Day's 50th anniversary, we bring to you the Earth Day Art Project!

Teacher Instructions:

1.) Print the following documents for each student:
   a. EarthDayArtProject_TakeHome_StudentDirections.pdf
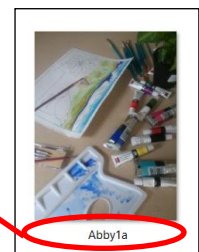   b. EarthDayArtProject_TakeHome_SubmissionForm.pdf

2.) Assign each student a project number and write it on their submission form.
   a. Number each student 1 through the highest number in your class or classes (if you have multiple classes of the same or different grades).
      i. Ex: Class One: Jane #1, Jimmy #2, … Tommy #25
      ii. Ex. Class Two: Josh #26, Emily #27, etc.

   b. This will be VERY important when students are submitting their projects.

   c. Along with their name, they MUST attach this student project number to the photo of their Earth Day Art Project.

EARTH DAY ART PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM:

Name: Abby   Student Project # 1a

Abby 1a

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3.) Give the printed student directions and submission forms to your students.

4.) Students use the provided
Project Prompt and Project
Description to complete their art
project.
   a. They can recruit other
   family members to help
   them with their project if
   they need or want to.

> **GET CREATIVE. EVERYDAY ACTIONS. EARTH DAY.**
>
> Join EVERYONE this Earth Day to create an Earth Day inspired art piece using
> <u>ANY MATERIALS YOU HAVE.</u>
>
> **Project Prompt** — *What actions can you take to make your everyday life more Earth-friendly?*
>
> **Project Description** — Visually represent an everyday action that you can take, or adapt, around your home, community, or the Flathead Watershed to make the Earth healthier!
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> **Project Examples**
> - a photo of you using cloth rags instead of paper products to clean surfaces at home
> - a picture chart of things you can recycle at home
> - a painting of a native species to Montana that you want to protect (Ex. Westslope Cutthroat Trout)
> - creating a map of all the recycle centers in town
> - a poem about your favorite outdoor place in the Flathead Watershed and the ways we can protect it
> - a model of a local town with a new design to make it more eco-friendly (Ex. Bike Paths)
> - … or *ANYTHING YOU CAN THINK OF!*

5.) If students need more inspiration to create their Earth Day Art Project, they can use the Earthday.org's Daily Earth Day Challenges (plus a few ideas of our own) that are listed on the back of their project directions.

> <u>Need Inspiration?</u> Try one of Earthday.org's Daily Earth Day Challenges
> We have adapted a few of the challenges in the table below for you to use offline! Get a chance to connect to the internet? Visit earthday.org to view more challenges!
>
> *Not all of Earthday.org's Daily Earth Day Challenges are adaptable for offline, so we have added a few of our own!*
>
> | Do a plastic audit | Plant-based for a day | Fix and DIY – Don't buy |
> |---|---|---|
> | Monitor the plastic items you use on a daily basis. Can you substitute | Plants require less water and energy to grow! Try and eat plant- | Do you already have the supplies in your house to make something |

6.) When finished, the students must return the following items to you:
   a. An <u>EARTH DAY ART PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM</u> with
      i. Their name and Student Project #
      ii. A creative project title
      iii. A brief project description at least 1–2 sentences long
   b. A <u>PHOTO OF THEIR EARTH DAY ART</u> PROJECT with
      i. Their name and Student Project #

NOTE: They can either submit hardcopies to you in person or email photos of both items to you.

7.) Turning in your class' Earth Day Art Projects
   a. When you've received all of your class' submission forms and project photos please put them in a Google Folder.
   b. THE MOST IMPORTANT STEP…Please make sure the file names of the submission forms and project photos are LABELED WITH THE MATCHING STUDENT FIRST NAMES AND PROJECT #s!
   c. Share the folder with the following email: flbsedoutreach@gmail.com

8.) Last day to submit is 05.06.2020
   a. There is a space on the Submission Form to add your own due date if you would like the students to return it to you before May 6th.
   b. Questions, need help with submission, or need a few more days to submit?
   c. Contact: abigail.schmeichel@flbs.umt.edu

9.) Two things will happen upon submission of an Earth Day Art Project
   a. Every project will be uploaded into a virtual gallery with the project title and description; the projects will also be credited with student first name and grade.
   b. Every project will also be submitted into a raffle to be selected for a prize!

<u>The virtual gallery and the raffle winner will be announced on 05.13.2020!</u>