



The Coffee County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) in partnership with the Coffee County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is sponsoring the 6th annual Emergency Preparedness Fair and Safety Saturday on September 9th from 10 AM until 2 PM at our new location, the Enterprise Civic Center,



As part of the festivities, CC EMA and CC CERT are sponsoring a poster contest open to all children in grades 1-6 who live in the Wiregrass. The theme for this year is “Disasters Don’t Plan Ahead but You Can!” We should all take action to prepare! We are all able to help first responders in our community by training how to respond during an emergency and what to do when disaster strikes — where we live, work, and visit. The goal of National Preparedness Month is to increase the overall number of individuals, families, and communities that engage in preparedness actions at home, work, business, school, and place of worship.

Put together a plan by discussing these 4 questions with your family, friends, or household to start your emergency plan.

1. How will I receive emergency alerts and warnings?
2. What is my shelter plan?
3. What is my evacuation route?
4. What is my family/household communication plan?

Wiregrass-area school-age children grades 1-6 are encouraged to participate in the contest sending their posters to the Coffee County EMA office to arrive no later than September 8th, 2017. This contest is open to public, private, and home schooled students.

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All posters submitted by individuals and schools will be displayed at the Poster Contest Booth at the Preparedness Fair and one poster from each grade will be selected as the Coffee County Preparedness Poster of the Year. Prizes for those selected as Poster of the Year will be awarded at the Fair. All children selected to represent their grade from each school will receive a 1st place medal (sponsored by CERT and presented by the school) and all children who create a poster will receive a certificate from FEMA (presented by the school).

The following rules concerning the posters must be followed:

- **Posters can be NO LARGER than 11 x 14**
- Posters should be submitted on quality poster illustration board or heavy paper
- Entries must use crayons, magic markers, or colored pencils only. Posters with stencils, computer-generated or traced letters or images, or commercial stick on letters or images will not be accepted.
- Posters must have the following clearly printed or attached to the back:
 - Contestant’s name
 - Age
 - Grade Level
 - School name and address
 - Parent/guardian names, address, and telephone number

Tom Dreilinger
Poster Contest Chair
Coffee County CERT

