

## The Partnership For A Drug-Free New Jersey

In Cooperation with the Governor's Council on Alcoholism  
& Drug Abuse and the NJ Dept. of Human Services

Dear 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Educators:

Thank you for your interest in the Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey's Fourth Grade Folder initiative, which features creative artwork and impactful peer-to-peer messages to help your students understand the importance of living a healthy, drug-free life.

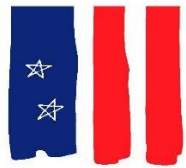
Your fourth grade students are invited to submit their artwork to design next year's folder. All entries must be postmarked by **December 7, 2020**. Students are asked to create a substance use prevention message with artwork relating to the topic, "Fun Things to Do Instead of Drugs." The contest is open to all fourth grade students in New Jersey, and two grand prize winners will have their artwork featured on the folders that will be distributed to fourth grade students throughout New Jersey in Fall, 2021. Please see the participation rules, criteria and classroom contact sheet or visit <http://drugfreenj.org/4thgraderules/> to download participation forms. A certificate of achievement will be awarded to each student artist.

If you have any questions, please contact Diane Higgins, at 973-467-2100, x19, or [Diane@DrugFreeNJ.org](mailto:Diane@DrugFreeNJ.org). I look forward to your students' entries as we work together to provide a safe, healthy and drug-free environment for your students.

Sincerely,

Angelo M. Valente  
Executive Director

**DrugFreeNJ.Org**



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## **RULES AND CRITERIA FOR THE 2020/2021 DESIGN A FOURTH GRADE FOLDER CONTEST**

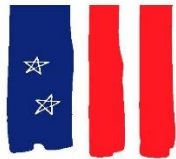
1. Entries must be based on the theme ***“Fun Things to do Instead of Doing Drugs”***.
2. Students must work independently on their submission. Only one submission per student will be accepted.
3. On the back of each artwork entry, include: student's first and last name, school name, school address and phone number and teacher's name. **Submissions lacking this information will be disqualified.** (Some teachers find it easiest to print labels).
4. To meet folder printing standards, artwork submissions must meet the following criteria:
  - Only white, 8 1/2" x 11" copy paper may be used. Do not use construction or colored paper.
  - Design must be in portrait format only, not landscape.
  - Use crayons, pens, markers, and pencils. Any color is acceptable.
  - Please do not use glitter, “sparkle” glue, collages or other media. (They don't reproduce well.)
5. No copyrighted characters, images, corporate or otherwise (i.e., Nike, McDonalds) or celebrities may be used or inferred. This is very important. A simple way to explain this is to note that if they have seen it on television or in the movies, it cannot be used (i.e.—Pokemon, Disney characters, wrestlers, athletes, etc.). Any entry that uses a copyrighted character, image or celebrity will need to be disqualified.
6. We recommend limiting text to a simple drug-prevention slogan or saying. Too much writing can clutter the picture. The focus of the submission should be the artwork.
7. **TEACHERS MUST INCLUDE THE ARTWORK SUBMISSION FORM WHEN SUBMITTING YOUR STUDENTS' ARTWORK ENTRIES.**

Within these guidelines, students should rely on their own imaginations and be as creative and original as possible. We hope that this will be a positive learning experience for all involved and we look forward to seeing all of the submissions. **Submissions must be mailed by December 7, 2020 to:**

**PDFNJ Fourth Grade Folder Contest  
155 Millburn Ave  
Millburn, New Jersey 07041**

For more information, contact Diane Higgins at (973)467-2100 x19, or [Diane@DrugFreeNJ.org](mailto:Diane@DrugFreeNJ.org).

**Please note that submissions will not be returned.**



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**Artwork Submission Form**  
**Fourth Grade Folder Contest**  
(Please mail this form with your students' artwork)

**Postmark Deadline December 7, 2020**

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

NJ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Total No. of **Participating**  
**Classrooms:** \_\_\_\_\_

Total No. of **Student**  
**Participants** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail this completed form with your students' artwork to:**

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**155 Millburn Avenue**  
**Millburn, NJ 07041**

**\*Each artwork entry must be labeled on the back with:**

- Student's first and last name
- School name, address and phone number
- Teacher's name.