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To: All Delaware Principals and Charter School Administrators
From: Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC)
Date: October 4, 2010
Re: Disability History and Awareness Month Poster Contest

Greetings Schools Administrators:

School districts across Delaware will be observing Disability History and Awareness Month this October. With this in mind, we are pleased to invite your school district to participate in the first annual Disability History and Awareness Month Poster Contest. Last year, Beverly Walker and two of her classmates at Delcastle High School created a poster that was sent out to every district in the State.

Enclosed for your information and use are copies of the guidelines for the contest. Please read the Poster Specification and Rules carefully. This information will also be available on the GACEC website at www.gacec.delaware.gov.

Posters should be mailed to the GACEC and must be postmarked by October 22, 2010. After receiving the entries, the GACEC will select a winning poster for each of the three divisions (elementary, middle school, high school). The winners will be notified on October 25, 2010. The students who submit the winning posters will be invited to a luncheon with Lt. Governor Matt Denn. There will be individual prizes, as well as a gift for the student's homeroom class.

Your support in this important Disability History and Awareness Month activity is greatly appreciated. Please send this information out to all of your staff so they can share it with their students. We know we have a lot of artistic talent in the State. If you have any questions regarding the poster contest, please contact Kathie Cherry, GACEC Administrative Assistant at 302-739-4553 or kcherry@gacec.k12.de.us.

Sincerely,

Wendy S. Strauss, Executive Administrator

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DISABILITY HISTORY AND AWARENESS MONTH

POSTER CONTEST

Who May Enter:

Students in each public and charter school may submit posters. The divisions are:

Division 1: Grades K - 5, Division 2: Grades 6 - 8, Division 3: Grades 9-12

Deadline Date:

Completed poster designs must be postmarked before midnight, October 22, 2010. All entries become the property of the Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC) and will not be returned.

Poster Specifications and Contest Rules:

- ❖ Completed poster size may be 8.5x11, 11x17 or 12x18. Posters may be illustrated on the vertical or horizontal axis.
- ❖ The Disability History and Awareness Month Poster Contest entry blank, or a reasonable facsimile, with information typed or printed clearly should be securely glued to the back of the poster. Please print clearly.
- ❖ Designs should be submitted on quality paper or poster board. Construction paper may be used; however, entries must be mounted on quality paper. Lamination is not permitted and will disqualify the poster.
- ❖ Cut paper/stencils (freehand or pre-drawn stick-on stencils) are not permitted and will disqualify the poster. Computer drawn posters are not permitted and will be disqualified.
- ❖ There is no limitation on the use and number of colors.
- ❖ There is no limitation on the type of media - such as print, crayon, felt pen, etc. - that can be used on the poster design. However, wood, plastic, glass or metal cannot be part of the poster. Collage materials cannot be used. Glued on pieces will disqualify the poster.
- ❖ Posters will be judged on originality, clarity of message and quality of artwork. The decision of the judges will be final.
- ❖ All posters and slogans must harmonize with the theme of Disability History and Awareness Month.
- ❖ There may be multiple entries per classroom but only one entry per student.
- ❖ Posters will not be returned; if you wish to have a copy of your work, take a photo or make a copy before sending it.
- ❖ Entrants agree to give the GACEC ownership of their artwork with the right to reproduce it should it be selected a winner.
- ❖ Winners will be notified by phone, mail and/or e-mail.

POSTER ENTRY FORM

Please Print

Student Name: _____ Age: _____

Division Entering (Circle One) Elementary Middle School High School

School Name: _____ Student's Grade: _____

School Address: _____

Principal's Name: _____ Teacher's Name: _____

Teacher's E-Mail Address: _____ School Phone: _____

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Student Name: _____ Age: _____

Division Entering (Circle One) Elementary Middle School High School

School Name: _____ Student's Grade: _____

School Address: _____

Principal's Name: _____ Teacher's Name: _____

Teacher's E-Mail Address: _____ School Phone: _____

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Student Name: _____ Age: _____

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School Name: _____ Student's Grade: _____

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