



K-5 Students!

Geography Awareness Poster Contest

GEOGRAPHY OF FOOD

If you are what you eat, then where are you?



Geography Awareness Week is coming! You have the opportunity to investigate geography and design a poster to show what you've learned.

This year's GeoWeek theme explores how we are connected through food. Each piece of food we eat is the sum of many resources: labor, land, water, sunlight, and transport. It connects us to places and people both near and far. Even our food waste finds its way back into the food web that supports us. This year, we explore the **geography of food** and how what we eat connects us to many different places and people.

As you create your poster, think about the following questions:

- If I am what I eat, then where am I?
- How does what you eat connect you to different places and people?
- Where does your food come from?
- What do you eat that other people don't?
- Why do you eat your food in the way you do?

Map your explorations and personal adventures in various food webs and traditions that extend across your neighborhood, city, state, country, and beyond.

For links and resources visit: <http://www.geo.txstate.edu/tage/> (Click on the "GeoWeek Mini Poster Contest" link)

Rules and Instructions

1. In an effort to be more eco-friendly, posters must be created on letter-sized manila folders. Illustrations will be on the inside of the folder with the category (**K-2 or 3-5**) on the tab; submission forms on the front of the folder (see rule #4); and citations on the back cover. A sample is posted on the Geography Awareness website. <http://www.geo.txstate.edu/tage/events/geo-week/winners.html>

2. Colored pens, pencils, crayons, paints, or a combination may be used. Collages and computer-assisted designs are acceptable, but must be your own idea. Photos may be used, if you site the copyright source. All sources must be cited
3. The following heading **MUST** be included on the **inside** of the folder:

Geography of Food
Geography Awareness Week
November 16-22, 2014
4. Poster Submission Form: The following information must be printed on the **front cover** of the folder. You may cut this template out and paste it on the folder:

Student's First Name:	Student's Last Name:
Student's Grade Level:	School Name:
Teacher's Name:	Teacher's Email:
Principal's Name:	Principal's Email:
Contest Coordinator's Name	Contest Coordinator's Email:

5. Posters are due to your teacher by: **October 17, 2014**
 (Spelling and the date must be correct on the front of the poster to be eligible for the contest.)
6. Each school will choose one winning poster per category: K-2 and 3-5 to send to the state poster contest. Statewide winners are awarded prizes from TAGE and poster contest sponsors. Prizes are awarded to the 1st-3rd place winners in each category.
7. All posters submitted to the Texas Alliance for Geographic Education become the property of the organization and will not be returned. Take pictures of your poster.