

# **Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder "I Voted" Student Sticker Contest**

The Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder's Office Elections Division invites all County middle and high school students to submit their designs for a new "I Voted" sticker for the 2023 and 2024 elections.

The contest will be divided into two categories:

# Middle School/Junior High Students (Grades 6-8)

### **High School Students (Grades 9-12)**

The winning design in each category will be used to create two versions of the "I Voted" stickers included in mail ballot packets sent to all active registered voters in the County for the 2023 and 2024 coordinated, primary and general elections.

Creators of the winning designs will be featured in a County-issued press release and possible media coverage, and the department or class submitting the winning student's design will receive a \$100 gift card (home schooled students are not eligible for the classroom prize, but will be featured in the press release and media coverage).

Please review all rules and entry details below, and please see your school representative or contact Communications Business Partner Tom Skelley at <a href="mailto:tskelley@arapahoegov.com">tskelley@arapahoegov.com</a> to submit your entry or ask any questions about the contest.

Whether you're an aspiring artist or graphic designer, or you just love to express your creativity through drawing or illustration, we welcome your submission and we look forward to seeing what you'll create!

#### Rules

- All entrants must be a student enrolled in an Arapahoe County school or home school
- All artwork submitted must be your own original work; no stock images or "borrowed" images may be used
- > Artwork must be nonpartisan
- Entries must include the words "I Voted"; additional text is optional (see example of 2021's winning design above)
- Entries may (but are not required to) include visual elements or language that are representative of Arapahoe County, but space is limited, so focus on making a compelling design rather than trying to include a lot of text
- > Entries may be hand drawn or digitally designed (specifications below)



- Entries may be used for social media and other marketing materials for Arapahoe County
- All entries must be received by Friday, March 31

# **Entry Details**

- Be sure to save a copy of your original work; artwork will be submitted for judging as a scanned digital file, but we will need the winner's original artwork to create the stickers
- ➤ The attached release must be signed (by students 18 and over, or a parent/guardian for students under 18) and submitted with your artwork
- > Hand drawn entries must use the attached template
- Digitally created entries must be created using InDesign, Photoshop or Adobe Illustrator and must be sized according to the specifications below
- Return your template or digital file to the school representative (the teacher or administrator who gave you this packet) for submission, or send to tskelley@arapahoegov.com as a pdf file
- Digital submission specifications:
  - Must be 300 dpi resolution or higher
  - Must use CMYK color
  - Save your file so you can later export with crop and bleed marks and color information
  - Must have at least a 1/8" bleed

Winners will be determined by popular vote in a democratic process within the Elections Division of our Office.

Thank you for your participation!

Joan Lopez

Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder



### **Arapahoe County Student Sticker Contest Submission Release Form**

Thank you for submitting your artwork for the Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder's Office "I Voted" or "Future Voter" sticker contest. All entries must include this signed release form to be considered. If the entrant is under 18 years of age, a parent/guardian must sign the form.

# **Entrants agree that:**

In exchange for good and valuable consideration, I consent to the display and/or use of my original artwork submission or images thereof by the Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder's Office/Arapahoe County. This consent applies to all forms known now or in the future, in all media and all manners, including, but not limited to: advertising, art, social media, editorial content, and exhibition.

I hereby release Arapahoe County, its affiliates and respective directors, officers, agents, employees, and guests from any and all claims of any kind on account of any such use. I understand that if my artwork is selected as the contest winner it will be printed and used in future elections and promoted on social media, County websites, as well as other potential mediums including local journalism platforms, and that the artwork will be returned to me at the end of that period in its then current condition.

#### **Entrant Contact Information:**

Name (printed):
Address:
Phone:
Email:
Entrant signature:
Date signed:
☐ Check here if entrant is under 18 years of age.  Parent/Guardian name:
Parent/Guardian signature:
Relationship to entrant:
Date signed:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: **Your Design Important!**  Keep all words a 1/2 inch from the edge of the circle • Extend the background design to the edge of the circle **Actual Size of Sticker**