



Hastings Parks and Recreation Coloring Contest Rules and Regulations

ENTRY: The Hastings Parks and Recreation Coloring contest will be open to anyone ages 4-12 years old within Adams County. There will be 3 age divisions to be eligible in: 4-5 year old division, 6-8 year old division and 9-12 year old division. This contest is free to enter. The Hastings Parks and Recreation Department will provide the template and distribute it out to daycares, on our website & Facebook page. When coloring of the template is completed, it needs to be turned in to the office or put in the drop box located outside of the office, which is located at 2015 W 3rd Street, Hastings, NE 68901. Deadline for turning in template will be on **Thursday, November 17**. Check our social media pages for updates on Facebook (Hastings Parks & Recreation) and Twitter (@HastingsRec19).

JUDGING: Each Drawing will be evaluated and scored based on the following "Criteria": (1) **artistic merit** - drawing skills and use of color; (2) **creativity and originality** - and the unique and novel approach to the drawing; and (3) **Theme Spirit**- Displaying a good use of the "theme spirit" while coloring the drawing. Using the above Criteria, there will be two levels to the judging process, which are discussed below. **Level One:** All eligible drawings will be narrowed to "Top 2" in each division selected by staff to advance forward in the contest. **Final Level Winners:** Number of Winners Selected at this Level: 1 winner from each of the divisions. The judging at this level will be comprised of likes comments & shares via Facebook. The public will vote on the drawings [likes(1), comments(2) & shares(3)]. Online public voting will be announced on our Facebook page. The top 2 pictures in each division will be posted, and we encourage the public to like, comment & share their favorite picture in each age division. The most voted on drawing in each age division will then be declared the winner!

PRIZES: Each division winner will receive a bag of goodies put together by the Hastings Parks and Recreation staff. The winning picture of each age division will be posted on its social media pages with a congratulatory message. Winner of each age division will be notified by the Parks and Rec staff that their prize is eligible to be picked up.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Hastings Parks and Recreation Department at (402) 461-2324 or visit our website for more information. For copies of the template, you can download them off our website or from our Facebook page. **We will only accept pictures in 8.5" x 11" portrait layout.** Good Luck!!