

SPEAK Proudly Presents...

6TH ANNUAL ABILITIES AWARENESS WEEK

POSTER CONTEST



In an effort to promote awareness of people living with disabilities, SPEAK is sponsoring a poster contest for students attending the Voorhees Township Elementary and Middle Schools.

The theme of the poster contest is **“Learning through Differences**. Each of us has the opportunity to learn from those who are different than ourselves. Abilities awareness goes beyond simply being aware to opening our minds and hearts to those with learning differences, and having a chance to think of new ways to learn from one another.

- Any media may be used (i.e., paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, stickers, etc.) on regular posters
- Poster size must be 8 1/2"x 14" or larger
- **Please bring your poster to school by Wednesday April 22nd, 2015**
- Please include your name, grade and teacher and school on the back of your poster
- The theme can be represented and expressed by using drawings or words, or a combination of both. Use your imagination and have fun!

Each elementary school will pick one individual finalist from the kindergarten to second grade category and one from the third to fifth grade category, and one K-5 classroom finalist to represent the school, as well as one honorable achievement finalist. (Signal Hill will also select a Pre-school finalist). The middle school will select a finalist from each grade level, as well as one honorable achievement. All finalist posters will be displayed at the SPEAK 5k at Eastern High School on Saturday April 25th. The winning posters will be based on the representation of this year's theme, as well as visual effectiveness and originality. **An overall individual winner as well as one classroom winner will be selected from these finalists.**

- The school with the winning poster will be presented with the SPEAK Blue Star Award to be displayed until a new winner is chosen in 2016.
- The first prize individual winner will be awarded a Certificate of Recognition, a \$20 gift card to Target and will have his/her poster displayed in his/her school, and the classroom winner will receive a Pizza Party.
- All individual finalists will be awarded a \$5 gift card to Dunkin Donuts, and the classroom finalists will receive a \$10 gift card to Dunkin Donuts.

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