2022 California Academic Decathlon Annual Artwork Design Contest

The California Academic Decathlon needs your help designing artwork for the 2022 competition season. We are seeking creative, innovative, and professional artwork designs to help promote the 2022 Academic Decathlon theme: Water. The rest is up to you! This contest is open to current high school students only. Please read below for details regarding artwork design, contest rules and submission requirements.

Artwork Dimension Requirements
The contest is divided into three separate parts: a T-shirt design, a Facebook cover photo design, and a themed button design. Contestants are welcome to participate in one, two, or all three parts of the contest.

- **T-Shirt Design:** the artwork must fit well on the front and/or back of a typical T-shirt.
- **Facebook Cover Photo Design:** the artwork must have the correct dimensions (820px by 360px) to display properly on both mobile and desktop. Click here to see how to create the perfect Facebook cover photo.
- **Themed Button Design:** the artwork must be circular and fit on our 2-inch diameter buttons.

Artwork Quality Requirements
- **Professional:** The artwork may be featured on our website, social media platforms and other mediums (collateral materials, t-shirts, etc.) Thus, the artwork should be eye-catching, yet must still be legible.
- **Theme:** Artwork must promote the 2022 Academic Decathlon theme: Water. See the USAD curriculum outlines here for more details on the theme.
- **Color:** There are no limitations on colors used. However, artwork must look good either in color (if any) or in greyscale.
- **Integrity:** Artworks cannot contain copyrighted material, except the CAD logo, must be created and edited by the contestant(s), may not include images or licensed images that have been previously published, and must be easily reproducible and scalable for large and small formatting.

Rules for Submission
Submissions will be accepted through **December 31, 2021.** All entries must be:

- Submitted by emailing contest@academicdecathlon.org with “2022 CAD Artwork Contest” in the subject line
- Submitted in their original source file (.AI, .PSD, etc.) **AND**
- Submitted as a high resolution .pdf or .jpg with 300 dpi or higher.

Announcing a Winner
Winners will be selected by CAD. The winner(s) will be contacted via email. The winning design(s) will be announced on the CAD website and social media. CAD reserves the right not to select a winner if, in its sole discretion, no suitable entries are received.

Contest Details
Contestants agree that CAD may publish their artwork and name(s) and may use both for advertising campaigns and/or marketing materials in the future. Contestants assign all ownership rights, including all intellectual property rights to the artwork, to CAD. Additionally, CAD may alter, modify or revise the artwork as needed to achieve the goals of the competition.

Intellectual Property
- Entrants affirm their submissions are their own original work, have not been copied from others or from previous designs, including their own, and do not violate the intellectual property rights of any other person or entity.
- Submissions become the sole property of CAD and may be used for any CAD purposes, including, but not limited to, display on websites, promotional materials, programs, social media, etc.
- CAD shall have the right to adapt, edit, modify, or otherwise use the winning submission in part or in its entirety in whatever manner it deems appropriate.
- CAD reserves the right to choose not to use the winning entry as described in these contest guidelines.
- If the winner is determined to have violated any rules, the entry will be disqualified.