

Dorchester Soil & Water Conservation District

2021 Photo Contest



The Photo Contest is open to all Students attending:
public, private or home school
in Dorchester County; grades 9 thru 12

**Deadline
for the 2021
Photo Contest is
Friday November 5th,
2021**

You may choose from the following Categories:

- 1. CONSERVATION PRACTICES**
- 2. CLOSE UP CONSERVATION**
- 3. CONSERVATION IN ACTION**
- 4. AGRICULTURE AND CONSERVATION ACROSS AMERICA**

Before taking your photos or submitting them for the contest, please review the following examples of the photo categories. These are just a few examples below.

CONSERVATION PRACTICES

Cover Crops	Contour Buffer Strips	Pasture Planting	Wetland Restoration
Field Borders	Contour Farming & Strip Cropping	Pest Management	Livestock Management
Nutrient Management	Critical Area Planting	Tree Planting	Water and Sediment Control Basin
Crop Residue Management	Crop Rotation	Diversions	Grade Stabilization Structures (dam/embankment)
Grass Waterways	Manure Storage & Runoff Control	Riparian Buffer	Rotational Grazing
Stream Bank & Shoreline Stabilization	Terraces	Upland Wildlife Habitat	Well Abandonment
Wildlife Food Plots	Woodlot Management	Windberaks	

CLOSE UP CONSERVATION

Aquatic Insects	Water	Crops
Plants	Soil	Sediment
Farm Animals	Irrigation	Flowers
Worms	Roots	Compost

CONSERVATION IN ACTION

Conservation Districts In Action	Conservation Planning	District Events	Farmers or Landowners
Interaction With Landowners	Irrigating Crops	Watering Flowers	Supervisors or Board Members At Meetings
Technical Staff At Work	School Programs (Conservation Related)		

AGRICULTURE AND CONSERVATION ACROSS AMERICA

Barns	Crops	Farm Practices	Farmers/Landowners
Fence Rows	Grazing	Implements & Tools	Livestock
Pasture	Ponds	Ranching	Tree Farm

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2021 Photo Contest Rules

- **The photo can be a black and white print, color print or print from a digital camera.**
- **The student who is participating must take the photo.**
- **The size of the photo must be between 4 x 6 and 8 x 10.**
- **Photos may not be mounted on any material.**
- **All photos should have a 3 x 5 index card attached to the back containing: student's name and home number, title of photo, date photo was taken, grade, and school.**
- **The student must attend school in Dorchester County, South Carolina.**
- **The student can only enter one photo per category for this contest.**
- **Must have completed entry form and photo release form for each photo you submit along with the photos you wish to submit**
- **If you are submitting a photo in which a models face is recognizable, you must also complete and attach the subject and model release form with your photos**
- **Minor digital enhancements for cropping, red-eye removal, filters and corrective functions are permitted; however, an image judged to be significantly altered may be disqualified**
- **Contestants are not permitted to place borders, frames or backgrounds around their images**
- **Contestants are not permitted to place watermarks, dates, signatures or copyright images onto photos**
- **Previously published photos are not eligible**

The Project will be Judged On:

Category understanding
Imagination and creativity
Originality
Technical Merit

Awards:

A 1st Place and 2nd Place winner from each of the four categories will be chosen. The 4 First-Place winners will receive a cash award of \$50.00 each and their photo will be sent to the NACD National Contest. The 4 Second-Place Winners will receive a cash award of \$25.00 each.

Due Dates:

The Dorchester Soil and Water Conservation District will start accepting the entry forms and photos in September of 2021 end acceptance at 4:00 pm Friday November 5th 2021. The office hours are Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00p.m.

Drop Off Location:

You can bring in the entry forms and photos to our office which is located at 5809 W. Jim Bilton Blvd. in St. George, SC. or call to schedule a pick up.

**Please call the office at (843) 563-3218 ext. 3003
to make sure someone is at the office before you stop by with the contest information.**

**Judges reserve the right to determine if a photograph is appropriately categorized
and change a photograph's category accordingly.**

2021 Photo Contest Entry Form

Dorchester Conservation District Photo Contest

Entry form must be delivered with photo before photo is eligible for judging.

Photographer's Information

Photographer's Name _____		(_____) _____ Phone #
Home Mailing Address _____		Grade _____ Age _____
City _____	State _____	Zip _____
Email address _____		

School Information

(Public, Private or Home School) <i>Circle One</i> <input type="radio"/>	School Represented _____	(_____) _____ Phone #
Mr. Ms. or Mrs. <i>Circle One</i> <input type="radio"/>	Teacher's Name _____	Email address _____
Mr. Ms. or Mrs. <i>Circle One</i> <input type="radio"/>	Principal's Name _____	Email address _____
Address _____		
City _____	State _____	Zip _____

Photo Information

Photo Title: _____ Date Taken _____

Photo Location: City _____ State _____ County (if known) _____

Description of Photo: _____

How does the photo relate to the category you chose?

Photo Entry & Release Form

(Year)

(Photographer's Name)

**Dorchester Conservation District &
SC Association of Conservation District's (SCACD) Photo Contest**

Entry form and photo release form (s) must be delivered with photo before photo is eligible for judging.

**Required Signatures for:
Photographer and Subjects in photos**

Photographers Name: _____

County _____ State _____ Phone Number: (____) _____

Signed Photo/Media and Information Release of photos and subjects in photo

Minors (under the age of 18) who appear in photographs must have a parent/legal guardian sign their release; subjects 18 years and older can sign their own release form.

I hereby grant the Dorchester Soil & Water Conservation District (DSWCD) & the SC Association of Conservation District (SCACD) permission to use my likeness, name or images I have photographed in any and all publications: including web site entries, without payment or any other consideration in perpetuity. I understand and agree that these materials will become the property of the Dorchester Soil & Water Conservation District (DSWCD) and will not be returned.

My photos can also be used for my personal or professional use. I hereby irrevocably authorize the DSWCD & SCACD to edit, alter, copy, exhibit, publish or distribute this photo for purposes of publicizing DSWCD & SCACD's programs or for any other lawful purpose. In addition, I waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product, including written or electronic copy, wherein my likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of the photograph. I hereby hold harmless and release and forever discharge DSWCD & SCACD from all claims, demands, and causes of action which I, my heirs, representatives, executors, administrators, or any other persons acting on my behalf or on behalf of my estate have or may have by reason of this authorization.

I am 18 years of age or older and am competent to contract in my own name. I have read this release before signing below and I fully understand the contents, meaning, and impact of this release. If under the age of 18 will have consent signed by parent or guardian.

Signature of photographer *Date*

Signature of Parent/legal guardian if a photographer is a minor under age of 18 *Date*

Mr. Ms. or Mrs. _____

Circle One *Printed name of parent/legal guardian if a minor under age of 18*

Contact DSWCD staff: 843-563-3218 ext. 3003 with any questions.



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Subjects in photos:

Please follow entry requirements for submission of photos for the DSWCD & NACD photo contest. Use the information on page 4 for the model or subject release form. Send completed form below with signed entry if applies to photo being submitted. To be used if any of the subjects faces are recognizable in your submitted photos.

Please carry this form with you when taking photos.

Photographer's Name _____ County & State _____

Subjects in photos release: By signing this release I have read and understand the DSWCD & SCACD Photo Release Information on page 4

Subject #1

Mr. Ms. or Mrs. _____

Circle One Name of person photographed (PLEASE PRINT) _____ Age (if minor) _____

Address _____ () _____ Phone # _____

City, State, and Zip Code _____

Signature of person photographed or signature of parent/legal guardian if a minor under age of 18 _____ Date _____

Mr. Ms. or

Mrs _____

Circle One Printed name of parent/legal guardian if a minor under age of 18 _____

Subject #2

Mr. Ms. or Mrs. _____

Circle One Name of person photographed (PLEASE PRINT) _____ Age (if minor) _____

Address _____ () _____ Phone # _____

City, State, and Zip Code _____

Signature of person photographed or signature of parent/legal guardian if a minor under age of 18 _____ Date _____

Mr. Ms. or Mrs. _____

Circle One Printed name of parent/legal guardian if a minor under age of 18 _____

You may copy this page & fill it out with more subjects' information if you have more recognizable subjects in your photo

Pages 3, 4, & 5 must accompany your photo when it is turned in for judging

All programs of the Dorchester SWCD are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status or handicap.

Thank you for participating in the Dorchester Soil & Water Conservation District & SCACD's Photo Contest