

Senator Klein Announces Launch of 5th Annual Earth Day Poster Contest

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**BRONX, NY– Senator Jeff Klein (D-Bronx/Westchester)** today announced the launch of the New York State Senate's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Earth Day Poster Contest to celebrate and honor Earth Day. Kindergarten through sixth grade students from across the Bronx and Westchester are encouraged to participate in this statewide competition.

Senator Klein (D-Bronx/Westchester) said: "By adopting simple, everyday 'green' habits we can work to preserve our environment and keep it clean, healthy and safe for future generations. The Earth Day poster contest is a fun way to raise awareness and teach our children about the importance of recycling and other environmentally-friendly actions we can take to protect our planet."

The theme of this year's Earth Day celebration is "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle." The winning posters will be displayed on Senator Klein's official website and social media sites.

Participants will also receive a certificate acknowledging their participation. **Students wishing to participate in this year's event must submit their entry online at www.klein.nysenate.gov by April 6, 2015.** 

Since the first Earth Day was celebrated in 1970, over 20 million Americans have participated, helping to improve the quality of air we breathe and the water we drink. In addition,

landmark legislation has been passed to help support this effort, such as the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act and the Endangered Species Act.