SILC Language Fair 2021 Online Poster Contest Theme: Holidays & Celebrations

Since we have had so many participants doing posters in Spanish, we continue to have a separate Spanish set of competitions for the poster contest.

We are adding a middle school category this year.

There are FOUR categories for the Poster contest:

- 1. Spanish language—middle school
- 2. Spanish language—high school
- 3. Non-Spanish language—middle school
- 4. Non-Spanish language—high school

General Rules.

- All posters must be presented by the student(s) in a 5-minute video (instructions below on how to accomplish that)
- All videos must include a close-up view of the poster for 15 seconds at the beginning of the video (be sure that the poster is readable by the judges!)
- All presentations must be delivered in the target language
- students may work individually or in groups of up to four to create their entry
- Students may use any materials, costumes, and/or props they wish to create posters this year (since we assume they are making it at home!)

Tips for the video presentation of your poster.

- Test your equipment and the quality of the recording to be sure you can be heard and seen well enough on the video
- Don't go over 5 minutes! The judges will be viewing lots of presentations and will have to stop watching after 5 minutes
- Students are highly encouraged to be creative: costumes, props, etc are highly encouraged in your presentations. Judges will be particularly impressed if the costumes and props are referred to or discussed as part of the presentation (not just decorative!)
- Have someone in your group (or a parent/teacher) help with the video so that the judges can have close-ups, etc of whatever you think is important in your video

Instructions for creating a YouTube link to your poster video:

- Record your presentation on your phone or using whatever technology/video software you like.
- Be sure to include a close-up of the poster itself for 15 seconds at the beginning of your presentation. Make sure this is readable for the judges!
- Create a YouTube account if you don't have one (they are free)
- Upload the video to your YouTube account so that you can share the link
- Pay attention to the privacy setting in YouTube!
 - o Be sure to choose either unlisted or public for the privacy setting

- Unlisted means the video can only be seen by people with the link and will not show up in YouTube's search results.
- o Public means anybody can see it and find it in the search results
- Submit the YouTube Link for your presentation on the Entry form

Instructions for submitting your poster video online

Each group or individual entering the contest MUST:

- 1. Fill out an entry form located here: PLEASE ADD LINK FOR ENTRY FORM
- 2. Completely fill out the entry form, including the link to your poster video.
- 3. No winner's certificates can be given or entries accepted without a completed entry form!
- 4. Send completed entry form to PLEASE ADD LINK OR EMAIL FOR SUBMISSIONS
- 5. Poster contest entries can be submitted starting on JANUARY 17, 2021 and not later than JANUARY 20, 2021
- 6. If you don't have a teacher because you are homeschooling or for some other reason, please include some additional details on the entry form:
 - a. Instead of the name of your teacher, please provide the name of your homeschool network, or ID number, or responsible party
 - b. Instead of the email address of your teacher, the email address of the homeschool network, responsible party, or parent/guardian.

Adjudication

Posters and presentations will be judged on:

- overall appearance & implementation of the theme on the poster
- accuracy of the information included on the poster
- creativity & implementation of the theme in the presentation
- use of the target language in the presentation

Judging will take place before and during the Fair. Winners will be announced on January 29, 2021 and links to the winning poster videos will be provided on the Fair website so that everybody can view them!