



## Metro-North Railroad 2019 Rail Safety Week Poster Contest

National Rail Safety Week (RSW) will be observed September 22-28, 2019. The goal of RSW is to raise awareness across the United States of the need for rail safety education and empower the general public to keep themselves safe near railroad grade crossings and railroad rights-of-way and tracks.

For 2019 Rail Safety Week, the Metro-North Railroad TRACKS (Together Railroads and Communities Keeping Safe) program will be holding its second annual Rail Safety Poster Contest. All students (Pre-K through 12) who live or attend schools within the Metro-North territory (throughout CT and NY) are eligible to enter. Students will be asked to illustrate what they know and believe are most important about Rail Safety.

### Poster Guidelines

All students are encouraged to incorporate the MNR TRACKS slogan "Learn the Facts, Stay Off the Tracks!", along with hashtags #MNRTracks #USRailSafetyWeek on their posters. Poster themes can include, but are not limited to the following:

- Train Passenger Safety
- Pedestrian Safety
- Grade Crossing Safety
- Trespassing on Railroad Property
- Gap Safety
- Emergency Preparedness

One winning poster will be chosen for each of the following grade levels:

- **Pre-K**
- **Grades K-3**
- **Grades 4-8**
- **Grades 9-12**

Students may use any art medium they choose to for their drawing. Students may also choose to create a digital entry (using computer programs such as Adobe Suite, etc.). Please ensure all artwork is original and not copyrighted.

## Winning Posters

The winning posters will be featured in Metro-North Railroad TRACKS presentations for the 2020 calendar year. The winning posters will also be displayed on Metro-North Railroad informational screens and monitors throughout MNR stations and in Grand Central Terminal- the winning artists will have the honor of their artwork representing the rail safety campaign across the entire Metro-North territory. In addition, the winning artists will receive a certificate of recognition from the Vice President of System Safety and the President of Metro-North Railroad and a special TRACKS token to acknowledge the achievement.

*\*The 2018 Rail Safety Poster Contest winning posters can be viewed on the TRACKS website under the "2018 Rail Safety Week Poster Contest Winners" tab at [mta.info/mnr/tracks](http://mta.info/mnr/tracks)*

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. The program will open on **Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019** in line with Rail Safety Week. Please send an email to [MNRTacks@mnr.org](mailto:MNRTacks@mnr.org) by **Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019** to express your intent of participation in the contest.
2. All posters must be completed and submitted **with the completed Poster Entry Form** (see attached) no later than **Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. Posters received after this date will not be eligible for the contest. Posters can be emailed to [MNRTacks@mnr.org](mailto:MNRTacks@mnr.org) (if digital) or mailed in to:

Metro-North Railroad  
Office of System Safety  
Attn: Deidre Mitchell  
525 North Broadway  
White Plains, NY 10603

3. One poster will be selected from each grade level group (Pre-K, K-3, 4-8, and 9-12), and the artist will be recognized as a contest winner. The winners will be decided and revealed on **Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020**. All winners and participants will be notified on this day.
4. Contest winners will be recognized at a Metro-North Railroad Office of System Safety Staff Meeting and will be contacted with further details.

**Questions?** Please call 914-461-0459 or email [MNRTacks@mnr.org](mailto:MNRTacks@mnr.org)  
We appreciate your participation, and hope you have fun in this Rail Safety Week effort!

# Have Fun and Good Luck!



## 2019 Metro-North Railroad Rail Safety Week Poster Contest

### Poster Entry Form

*Please submit this **completed** form with poster entry by  
**November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019.***

#### Contact Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

School  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone  
Number \_\_\_\_\_

Student Grade Level (*circle one*)      Pre-K      K-3      4-8      9-12