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## **Air Quality Poster Contest Awards Presented**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – The 2012 Air Quality Poster Contest awards were presented to the winning students from Cumberland County and Fort Bragg elementary schools on May 17 at Sustainable Sandhills. The 12 winning posters will be featured in the 2013 Air Quality Calendar.

The winners of the contest are listed below in age categories:

### **Kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Hunter Savell, New Century Elementary

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jazlyn Jones, Warrenwood Elementary

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Abigail Duncan, Honeycutt Elementary

Honorable Mentions: Kyle Holliday, Long Hill Elementary  
Kiarra Nieder, Mary McArthur Elementary  
Elena Renshaw, Long Hill Elementary

### **3<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Lydia Loffert, Long Hill Elementary

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Fiona Thompson, Long Hill Elementary

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Cameron Anderson, Long Hill Elementary

Honorable Mentions: Madison Devericks, Honeycutt Elementary  
Ryan Hebl, Honeycutt Elementary  
Hunter Miller, Honeycutt Elementary

The 12 winning poster designs were picked from 816 entries. Mark Nottingham, Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization transportation planner, said the contest has grown every year and the entries have become more sophisticated.

“This is the ninth year we have had the contest and every year we get a strong response,” Nottingham said. “Each year, they get more complex and incorporate more technical knowledge about air quality.”

The calendar contest, which is co-sponsored by the North Carolina Division of Environment and Natural Resources, is a way for children to learn about air quality. The first-place winners received \$100, second-place winners received \$75 and third-place winners received \$50.

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The 2012 Air Quality Calendar Contest winners are (front row from left) Kiarra Niedler, Abigail Duncan, Ryan Hebl, Hunter Savell and Elena Renshaw. Second row, from left, are Cameron Anderson, Hunter Miller, Jazlyn Jones, Kyle Holliday, Lydia Loffert and Fiona Thompson. (Not pictured, Madison Devericks). Back row are Carolyn Hinson of Fayetteville Public Works Commission; Fayetteville Councilman Keith Bates Sr.; and Jon Parsons, Chairman of the Cumberland County Air Quality Stakeholders.