

## NATIONAL PET WEEK POSTER CONTEST 2027

### CONTEST GUIDELINES

**POSTMARK DEADLINE: June 1, 2026**

The Auxiliary to the American Veterinary Medical Association (Auxiliary to the AVMA) is pleased to announce its annual artistic poster contest. This contest will be for the 2027 National Pet Week theme, "**Pet & Vet Power.**"

The poster contest is open to students in grades Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

The poster should:

- Be the artist's original work.
- Be previously unpublished.
- Center around the NPW theme
- Must include the NPW theme in the body of the poster (Note: Make sure to include the exact words from the theme.)
- Be colorful.
- Be reproducible poster quality.
- Be either portrait or landscape in layout.
- Be **11 inches by 17 inches in size** (Note: paper may be any appropriate type for the artist's media but must be this size.)
- Be accompanied by an entry form that has all pertinent information filled in.
- Media may be the artist's choice. Art can represent the following mediums: drawing and painting (i.e., pencil, charcoal, pastels, colored pencils, marker, crayon, oil paints, acrylics, water media, mixed media/collage) and original digital creations.
- Digital artwork will now be accepted but must be 11x17 when printed. Digital artwork must be submitted in .jpg or .png format.

To obtain an entry form, go to [avmaaux.org](http://avmaaux.org), and for questions, contact the Auxiliary to the AVMA at [avmaaux@gmail.com](mailto:avmaaux@gmail.com) or call Allegra Waldron at 419-946-8456.

Send the original poster with the entry form (which is attached to the rear of the poster somehow). If digital, please send artwork and entry to the email address:

Auxiliary to the AVMA  
NPW Poster Contest  
1931 N. Meacham Road, Suite 100  
Schaumburg, IL 60173  
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The national winner will receive a \$100.00 cash award. Judging will be based on originality, content, the use of the National Pet Week theme, and following these guidelines. Immediate or extended family members of the judges will not be eligible to participate.

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ENTRY FORM**

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Please print the following information.

Entrant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in School \_\_\_\_\_

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In entering any art or photo into this contest, I verify that this entry is my original work. I understand that entering someone else's work is against the law. By entering this contest, I agree with the above statement.

Signatures

Entrant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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