

## City of McPherson

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Dear Fifth Grade Educator:

Since 1872, Arbor Day has been celebrated throughout the United States, and schools have always played an important role. Educators help children discover the social, environmental and economic benefits of trees in cities and towns. Lessons often encourage students to identify and plant trees in their own communities.

The City of McPherson supports continued efforts to educate children about community trees. As we prepare for **Arbor Day 2020**, all fifth grade students attending school in the City of McPherson are invited to participate in the **McPherson Arbor Day Poster Contest**. Please share the enclosed contest rules with your classroom and encourage students to engage in this creative opportunity.

All entries must be original artwork and must address the theme **"We All Need Kansas Trees for Resilient Ecosystems!"** The winner will receive a \$25 Chamber check, recognition at the April 20, 2020, City Commission meeting and submission in to the Kansas Arbor Day Poster Contest. The winning poster will also be framed and displayed at the City Offices along with past winners. **All entries must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Friday, January 10, 2020.**

Thank you for encouraging your students to celebrate **Arbor Day 2020** by participating in the McPherson Arbor Day Poster Contest. Please contact the McPherson Convention & Visitors Bureau at **620.241.3340** or **coordinator@visitmcperson.com** if you have questions.

Sincerely yours,

Anne M. Kirchner  
Community Information Coordinator

*P.S. – Enclosed you will find a detailed lesson plan to prepare the children for the poster design. The use of part or all of the activities is encouraged, but not mandatory, for participation in the McPherson Arbor Day Poster Contest.*

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