



2016 Alexandria Earth Day

"Choose to Reuse -- Your Choices Matter"

Trashin' Fashion Show Competition

Call for Entries:

The City of Alexandria's Earth Day celebration will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2016 from 10 am to 2 pm on the Lenny Harris Memorial Fields at Braddock Park, adjacent to GW Middle School, 1005 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301. The Earth Day Planning Committee is excited to offer this contest that aims to increase students' knowledge of textiles, garment construction, and repurposing while providing opportunities to express fashion trends and personal creativity.

Theme:

The theme of Earth Day 2016 is "Choose to Reuse – Your Choices Matter." Team leaders should encourage their students to create fashion items by using their creativity to promote this Earth Day theme from their own understanding of what it means to choose to reuse (repurpose) an article of clothing, or create a fashion accessory from discarded items.

Guidelines:

- Each school may submit a "Trashin' Fashion Show Entry Form" form for a *maximum of three (3)* "ready to wear" garments and/or accessories.
- Students should wear their garments and/or accessories and be ready to model.
- Students should bring a change of clothing so judges may examine the garment or accessory off the model.
- A written one (1) minute or less narrative should be prepared for each garment and/or accessory using the "Trashin' Fashion Show Commentary Worksheet," to be read while student is modeling garment and/or accessory which describes the link between the fashion and the Earth Day theme.

Judging:

- Each entry will be judged using the "Trashin' Fashion Show Score Sheet."
- The Danish awards system will be used to score this contest: Blue ribbons will be awarded to competitors earning 90-100 points; red ribbons awarded to competitors earning 75-89 points; white ribbons awarded to competitors earning 74 points or less.

Deadline:

Entry forms must be **received** through email by Reggie Morris (rbsmorris@vt.edu) or Lee Ann Tardieu (lee.ann.tardieu@acps.k12.va.us) no later than Friday, April 8, 2016. Questions? Please either email or phone Reggie at 703-746-5547 (office) or 571-481-7202 (cell), and Lee Ann at 541-761-8110 (cell).



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Trashin' Fashion Show Commentary Worksheet

School/Organization Name: _____

*Fashion Show participants must write their own commentaries which will be read by a narrator during the modeling portion of the competition; thus, the length of the commentary should match the length of time the model is on the stage (one (1) minute per garment and/or accessory). Students should use creativity when modeling while their commentaries are read: intersperse turns appropriately throughout, and use appropriate gestures as the details of the garment and/or accessory are described. This worksheet may be used to help write your commentary. **One (1) written commentary per item should be submitted for judging at the same time as the garment and/or accessory; the worksheets need not be submitted.***

Commentary Writing: Catch the judges'/audiences' attention with the first sentence. Write in a light and lively manner, but be informative and use active verbs and descriptive terms -- use an updated fashion vocabulary by looking through fashion magazines for recent fashion terms to describe the garment and/or accessory. Try to follow a sequence: describe the top of the garment first, then the skirt or pants, then all of the front and then the back.

Description of garment and/or accessory: _____

Garment/Accessory Details: Provide economic information which compares the cost of purchasing a new garment and/or accessory compared to the cost of the repurposed product. State the content of the items/fabrics used to create the garment and/or accessory, and any special care that might be required. Explain the different ways the garment and/or accessory can be used; the more versatile the garment/accessory, the more useful it is in the wardrobe since it could be worn for many occasions.

Items used or repurposed; cost involved: _____

Care of the item: _____

Where and when you plan to wear the item: _____

Interesting Facts: Select the most interesting facts about yourself, your model and the garment and/or accessory. Include the team leader's name, the school or organization, and all the student members that assisted with the project, including their background, special interests and talents. State the reason(s) for the team's participation in the show.

Interests, hobbies, activities: _____

Reason for participating: _____



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Each school/organization may submit up to a maximum of three (3) "ready-to-wear" garments and/or accessories.

School/Organization Name: _____

Student Name(s): _____

Leader Name & Email Address: _____

Grade/Age Group: Elementary (Grades 1-5) ____ Middle (Grades 6-8) ____ High School (Grades 9-12) ____

Brief Description of Garment or Accessory #1: _____

Brief Description of Garment or Accessory #2: _____

Brief Description of Garment or Accessory #3: _____

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