

# Principles of Ocean Literacy

## 2009 SOEST Open House Poster Contest

The ocean is not only a beautiful and fun place to play, but it is also extremely important to our planet in many ways. Plants, animals, and even people would not be able to live on Earth without the ocean and all that it provides for us. The principles of ocean literacy describe just how valuable the ocean is to all of us. This year's contest focuses on three of these principles:

1. The ocean is a major influence on weather and climate
2. The ocean supports a great diversity of life and ecosystems
3. The ocean is largely unexplored

Your contest entry must include:

1. A picture of yourself teaching one of the principles, or a symbolic representation of why the principle is important
2. A description of how you would teach this principle to others

To help you create your poster, imagine that you are a scientist at the School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology (SOEST). For example, your poster can be about global warming, plants and animals that you might see and study, or how you would explore the ocean and what you might find.

### Contest Goal

To give Hawaii's children the opportunity to teach others about the ocean and its significance, and to encourage them to consider careers in science.



### Contest Rules

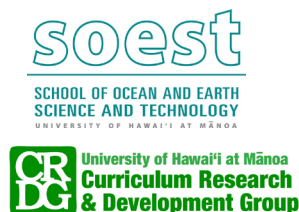
1. There are 3 grade categories for entries: K-3, 4-6, and 7-8.
2. Posters shall not exceed 11" x 17" (matting included); please no frames, glass or folds.
3. Only water soluble paint, colored markers, colored pencils, or crayons should be used.
4. Posters in languages other than English are welcome, but please include/attach an English translation.
5. All posters must have a copy of the entry form attached to the backside of each entry.
6. Limit of one entry per student.
7. The categories for prizes are subject to change depending on the number of entries received.
8. Rules are subject to modification at any time by the Open House committee.

Entries **MUST** be received by 4:30pm on **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1st, 2009.**  
No late entries will be considered.

### PLEASE SEND ENTRIES TO:

Tara Hicks  
Room 135, HIG Building  
SOEST, University of Hawaii  
2525 Correa Road  
Honolulu, HI 96822

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**PRIZES:** One winner from each category will be announced at Open House on October 16, 2009. Winners will receive a Maui Jim prize package plus a pizza party (\$100 limit) for their class. The teacher of each winning student will also win a pair of Maui Jim Sunglasses.

**NOTE TO TEACHERS:** If you need assistance explaining the poster theme, please contact Kanesa Duncan (Phone: 956-4439, or Email: kanesa@hawaii.edu) or Tara Hicks (Phone: 956-3151, or Email: hickst@hawaii.edu).

Please attach this entry form to the back of each entry to be eligible for judging. Some posters may be used after Open House for promotional purposes. We therefore require that entries be accompanied by this waiver.

## SOEST / University of Hawaii at Manoa 2009 SOEST Open House Poster Contest Entry Form

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Category *(circle one)*:

K-3

4-6

7-8

Principle Category *(circle one)*:

1. The ocean is a major influence on weather & climate
2. The ocean supports a great diversity of life & ecosystems
3. The ocean is largely unexplored

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher / Class: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **WAIVER:**

*I agree to allow my child's name, photograph and/or artwork to be used to promote SOEST Open House and the poster contest sponsors: Maui Jim Sunglasses, The UH Sea Grant Center for Marine Science Education, and the UH Curriculum Research and Development Group.*

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail or deliver entries to:** SOEST Poster Contest, c/o Tara Hicks, HIG 135, SOEST, University of Hawaii at Manoa, 2525 Correa Road, Honolulu, HI 96822