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DIG IT! The Secrets of Soil Poster Contest

DIG IT! The Secrets of Soil is the theme for the 2009 Conservation Poster Contest sponsored by the Ocean County Soil Conservation District and the NJ Association of Conservation Districts.

Students in 2nd - 12th grades in Ocean County are encouraged to learn about the importance of soil. Almost all of the minerals and nutrients we need for life and to keep us healthy come from fields, gardens, trees and pastures. Every fruit or vegetable we eat gets its nutrients from the soil in which it grows. By creating a poster students can highlight their artistic talents while exploring their connections to the natural world.

Local prizes include \$100, \$75 and \$50 cash awards. All first place district level posters will be submitted to the state level competition where one Grand Champion poster will be chosen and reproduced onto a pocket-folder and distributed State wide.

Entry forms are available on the Ocean County Soil Conservation District website at www.ocscd.org, by calling 609-971-7002 or by emailing info@ocscd.org. The entry deadline is March 6, 2009.

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