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The FGUA and Pasco County Utilities Win FSAWWA Award

~~ Water Awareness Poster Contest program awarded “Best in Class” ~~

PASCO COUNTY – First Place, “Best in Class”, was awarded by the Florida Section of the American Water Works Association ([FSAWWA](#)) to [the FGUA](#) and [Pasco County Utilities](#). Recognizing the continued success of the 12th Annual Water Awareness Poster Contest, this program has educated and engaged more than 17,000 elementary age students about the importance of water conservation using science, technology, engineering, art, and math (STEAM) principles.

The FSAWWA’s annual award through the Water Use Efficiency Division emphasizes the innovative and outstanding achievements in water efficiency throughout Florida. “We could not be more thrilled to receive the Best in Class award,” said Caytee Hollingsworth, FGUA Community Services Supervisor. “Being the First-Place recipient for Florida, this award translates to more than just a plaque, it is a representation of Pasco County students’ passion for protecting our valuable water resources.”

The theme for the 12th Annual Water Awareness Poster Contest was “The Power of Water”. Students traveled alongside mascot Drippy learning where their water comes from, how water can transform states, the different ways in which water can be used, how water has the power to influence climate and landscaping, and the importance of water conservation. “Students are the future stewards of our clean water,” said Pasco County Utilities Customer Information & Services Director, Sandra Anderson. “The success of a program that has evolved to meet the needs of educators and the changes in learning platforms for students, is a testament to all participants involved in the annual implementation of this program.”

The FGUA and Pasco County Utilities would like to thank program partners and sponsors as our success would not be possible without their support: Pasco County School District Administration and Teachers, Pasco County Parents and Mentors, Chick-fil-A of Trinity, Clearwater Marine Aquarium, Cold Stone Creamery & Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory of Trinity, Lane Glo Family Centers, Stealth Mobile Laser Tag, The Lift Adventure Park, The Toy Jungle, and Urban Air Adventure Park.

Additional information and resources to participate in the upcoming 13th Annual Water Awareness Poster Contest is available at WaterContest.org.

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