



The **National Missing Children's Day Poster Contest** is conducted every year by the U.S. Department of Justice to commemorate **National Missing Children's Day (May 25th)**. This year, the award ceremony will take place in Washington D.C. on May 22, 2019 with the theme “**Bring Our Missing Children Home**” at which time the national poster contest winner will be recognized.

Each participating State will submit one poster created by a 5th grader in that State. Accordingly, the Hawaii Department of the Attorney General's Missing Child Center-Hawaii is conducting a state-wide competition to select a poster for entry in the national contest. The national winner, his/her teacher (or designee from selected school), and parents/guardians (typically two people) will be invited to Washington, D.C. to participate in the award ceremony. Transportation and lodging will be provided. The national winner will also receive a national award certificate and a professional print of his/her poster.

We would like to invite every 5th grader to enter the poster contest. First, second, and third place winners for this year's state-wide competition will receive a certificate and gift card. Attached to this email you will find the Poster Contest Packet, which includes contest rules/fact sheet, application, and a flyer you may use to promote the contest. Please encourage your 5th grade students to participate in this worthwhile national event to promote child safety and reuniting missing children with their families.

Each poster must accompany a completed contest application along with a signed parent/guardian release and consent form (pages 6-8). Please submit all entries to:

**Department of the Attorney General
Missing Child Center-Hawaii
235 S. Beretania Street
Suite 401
Honolulu, HI 96813**

Deadline for submission is **no later than January 31, 2019**. Submitted posters will not be returned to applicants.

Mahalo for your participation!

Missing Child Center – Hawaii
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