

Bug Bowl K-12 Insect Art Contest

Pre-registration is required:

[Pre-registration form](#)

Once you've pre-registered, we'll send you additional information on where to drop off or mail artwork and how we'll return it.

The deadline for delivery of artwork to Purdue Campus, Smith Hall room 123 is March 31, 2023 at 5pm.



April 15, 2023

Bug Bowl Insect Art Contest Rules:

- Drawings may not be larger than 14" X 17".
- Drawings must be on flat paper. No stretcher frames, mats, fabric, wood, or protruding parts more than 1/2 inch off the surface of the artwork.

We *love* the creativity shown in the wide variety of submitted artwork, but we can't hang it on our walls with the extra weight that mats and other materials add.

- Only one artwork submission per student.
- Artists must be attending a K-12 school or homeschooled in the state of Indiana.
- Insects or arthropods (spiders, millipedes, etc.) must be central to the artwork
- Artwork must be original (not traced, not copyright protected images).
- The artist's name, grade, teacher name, and school must appear on the front of each drawing. We have adhesive labels that we will send to you for free, or you can print your own with Avery 5960.
 - [Get labels here](#)
- We do accept art from Home Schooled children; Parents must pre-register them; parent's name and city/state go on the ID card for the Teacher/School lines.

Questions?

Email bugbowl@purdue.edu

We judge artwork with this rubric:

Evaluation Rubric for the Bug Bowl K-12 Art Contest

Criteria	Excellent (5)	Very Good (4-3)	Good (2-1)	Needs work/missing criteria (0)
Visual Impact and Originality	Unique organization of art elements, content and execution create a striking impact. "Wows" the viewer.	Organization of art elements, content, and execution create a cohesive work. Creates an impact on the viewer.	Organization of art elements, content, and execution are addressed in the work. Work holds the viewer's attention.	Art elements and content have little or no impact on the viewer. Art is traced, or copied from an existing piece.
Interpretation and creativity within the theme of Insects and Arthropod Relatives	Design shows unique and creative interpretation of the theme. Effort beyond what was required.	Design shows unique understanding of the theme, and good creativity.	Design shows some creativity and follows the theme.	Design contains "evil" insects or arthropods (dripping blood from fangs, etc.) Insects not central to the overall work.
Degree of difficulty and effort (adjusted for age of child)	Exceeds expectations for artist's age and ability. Insects/other animals are accurately shown with correct anatomy.	Above average for artist's age and ability. Insects/other animals are accurately shown with (mostly) correct anatomy.	Design appropriate for artist's age and ability. Insects/other animals are not accurate (extra legs, etc).	Design not related to theme of insects and arthropods. Unable to read handwriting on the submission label.

*This rubric will be adjusted as age appropriate; we don't expect 1st graders to produce finely detailed line art 😊
It's ok if smaller children put "faces" on their insects; faces are developmentally important to PreK-3rd graders!*