

CONCERNED CITIZENS OF ALLEGANY COUNTY PRESENT



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A STUDENT WRITING CONTEST

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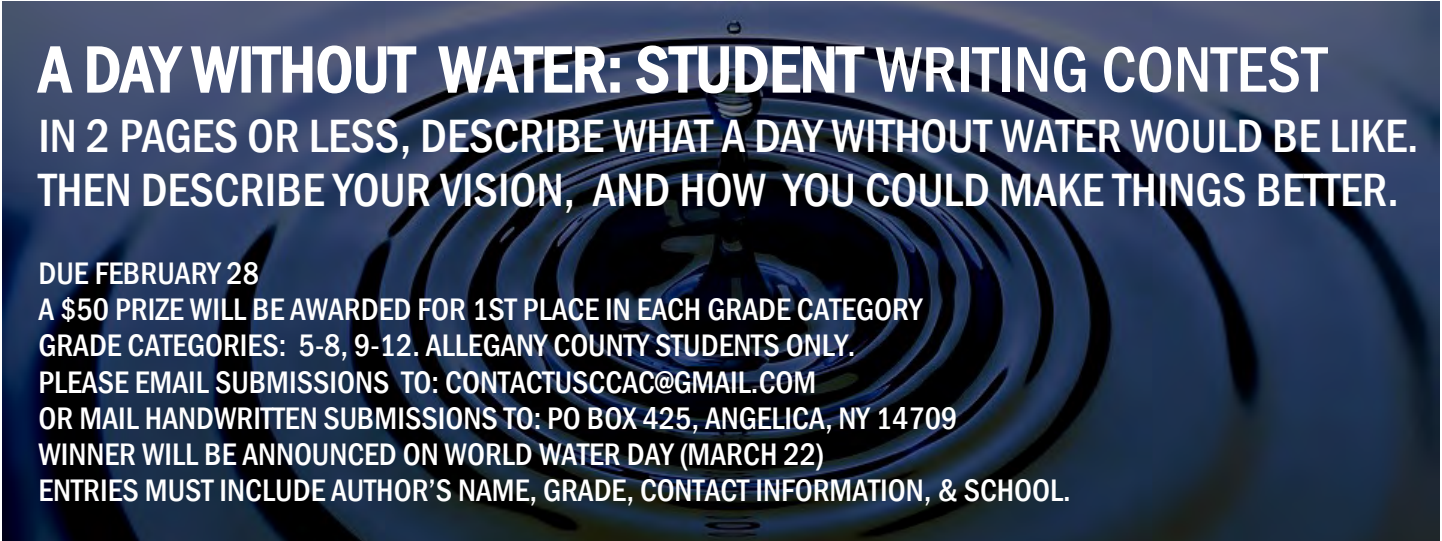
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WORLD WATER DAY

World Water Day was established by the United Nations in 1993. On March 22nd every year, this day is used to focus attention on the importance of water. There aren't many qualities that are true of all life on Earth, but the need for water is one of them. Only about 3.5 percent of Earth's water is fresh, and most of this is locked up in ice and glaciers! Clean fresh water is water that is not contaminated and can be consumed without boiling.

Almost all Earth's water is in the oceans — A whopping 96.5 percent of water on Earth is in our oceans, covering 71 percent of the surface of our planet. And at any given time, about 0.001 percent is floating above us in the atmosphere. If all of that water fell as rain at once, the whole planet would get about 1 inch of rain.

Our bodies are mostly water — A newborn baby is 78 percent water. Adults are 55-60 percent water. Water is involved in just about everything our body does. It's a big part of the blood that brings nutrients to all our cells. We use it to get rid of wastes. It helps us regulate our body temperature. It acts as a shock absorber for our brain and spinal cord. We are very dependent on water.

FOR MORE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES ON WATER, VISIT:

WaterUseItWisely.com, ClimateKids.NASA.gov, FreshWaterLive.org, TheWaterProject.org, Tech2o.org

ABOUT CONCERNED CITIZENS OF ALLEGANY COUNTY

OUR HISTORY:

Faced in 1989 with the prospect of hosting a large low-level radioactive waste dump, Allegany County residents mobilized quickly in protest. A coordinated resistance by united community members ended on March 30, 1992 when the US Supreme Court ruled it unconstitutional to force a project of this type on any community, culminating in an environmental 'win' for the residents of Allegany County.

OUR MISSION:

- To maintain and improve the quality of the land, water and air in Allegany County
- To inform residents of and advocate on behalf of environmental issues

OUR ACTIONS:

- We work to stop the expansion of fossil fuel usage and infrastructure.
- We work to prevent hazardous waste from impacting Allegany County natural resources and public health.
- We work to educate the public on these and other threats to our health and natural resources.