

Elks Drug Awareness Program

National Video Contest

2025-2026: Drugs are a Grave Mistake



Winners Announcement & Awards Distribution:

Winners will be announced at the Grand Lodge Convention. Award Certificate and gift card will be mailed to each State Chairperson for presentation to the winners.

Submission Requirements

Video Contest

The Elks Drug Awareness Program Video Contest has two divisions:

- High School Division: Grades 9–12
- Junior Division: Grades K–8

- States can submit 1 entry for each division
- Videos must be original student work.
- Participants can be an individual or group. Group participants must all be in the same division.
- Maximum length: 2 - 5 minutes.
- Accepted formats: MP4, MOV, or AVI (send your best quality!).
- Videos may be submitted on a USB drive or link [must be downloadable]

State Chairperson: Mail Video Entries by April 1 to:

Edward Comarzan
325 Armistead Rd
Rockwell, NC 28138

Digital submissions are encouraged!

Email a PDF of entry forms and parental consent along with accessible link for videos.

Email to: edward@metasismedia.com

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Video Contest Entry From



Title of Entry

Running Time

Submission Format

ONLY a flash drive or YouTube/Vimeo/Dropbox link that allows downloading of the video, will be accepted.

Entrant Information

Contact Name

School

Grade

Address

Phone

Email Address

Lodge Name & #

Parent(s) Name(s)

Mother

Father

Or Legal Guardian(s)

Name of Individual(s) or Group to appear on certificate and credits:

In the event your video is a winner, who will receive the gift card ?

The person receiving the card is expected to divide it between those who were involved in making the video.

Please provide a brief one-paragraph synopsis (50 - 200 words) of the entry

Please check each to confirm the following:

- ☐ Entry is age and language appropriate.
- ☐ Entry is an original; it is not a copycat or previously entered entry.
- ☐ Entry should contain an anti-abuse message between 1 and 5 minutes long.
- ☐ No ChatGPT/GPT, LLM, or any other forms of Artificial Intelligence or Machine Learning is allowed. The video produced must be created entirely by the contestant(s) on the entry form.
- ☐ Entry should be based on the theme. If not, please provide a reason below:

All minors in the video (anyone under 18 years old), must have permission from their parents. Parents must consent and agree to the use of the individual’s name, photo, and entry in all Elks materials such as the Elks Drug Awareness Coloring Book, *The Elks Magazine* or other Elks’ publications, websites or other digital or print mediums.

Name of Student	Parent Name & Signature
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For additional minors featured in the video, please make copies of this page, and attach with the entry form.

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National Essay, Poster & Video Contest

Parental Consent Form



My child _____ has my permission to submit an entry to the Elks Drug Awareness Program's Poster, Essay, and/or Video Contest.

I hereby give consent to the use of his/her name, photo, Video, Poster, and/or Essay in the Elks Drug Awareness Coloring Book, The Elks Magazine, or other Elks' publications, or websites (including all forms of media) in furthering the programs and works of charity for the Order of Elks.

I further consent and agree that the Essay/Poster/Video shall become the property of the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks of the United States of America.

Date

Parent Name

Witness Name

Parent Signature

Witness Signature

This document is required to be signed and dated by the parent/guardian for any person under the age of 18.