

INVITATION TO THE 34th ASAHIKAWA CHILDREN'S ENVIRONMENTAL MAP CONTEST

The map contest is held annually at Asahikawa City, Japan, in order to enhance environmental awareness of school children, and to improve their skills of out-door observation, map-making and map-use. The works are evaluated by specialists of geography and environmental and map education, as well as experienced teachers. Distinguished works are commended and displayed in the exhibition. Application is open to all school children of primary and secondary school levels (6 to 18 years old) throughout the world.

Organiser The Society for Environmental Map Education (SEME)

Co-Organiser Asahikawa Science Center

Sponsors

Geospatial Information Authority of Japan, Hokkaido Prefectural Government, Asahikawa City Government, Hokkaido University of Education, Hokkaido Education Authority, Asahikawa Education Board, Asahikawa Junior High School Principals Association, Asahikawa Primary School Principals Association, Association of Japanese Geographers (AJG), Japan Cartographers Association, IGU Commission on Land Use/Cover Change (IGU-LUCC), IGU Commission on Geography Education (IGU-CGE), IGU Commission on Hazard and Risk (IGU-CHR), Hokkaido Geographical Society, National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES), Japan Map Centre, Japan Geographic Data Center, Mapping Enterprises Association Japan, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Hokkaido, Hokkaido Senior High School Geography Education Society, Hokkaido Map Education Society Asahikawa, The Association of Geography Educators of Japan, Asahikawa Education Society Social Studies Division, Hokkaido Shimbun Press, Asahi Shimbun Asahikawa, Yomiuri Shimbun Asahikawa, NHK Asahikawa, HBC Asahikawa

Application

- The maps must be based on the applicants' observations of their environments. The applicants can choose either "free theme" or "specified theme". This year, the specified theme is "**Diversity**" in one's environment.
- The maximum size of the map is 1091mm x 788mm. 3D model is unacceptable.
- The following information should be clearly stated on a separate sheet: student's name & age, teacher's name, school name, school address, tel. & fax. number, e-mail address (if any), title of work, short note about the work.
- The works should be received by the organizer no later than **20 September 2024**.

Exhibition

The exhibition of distinguished works is held at Asahikawa Science Center during **16-17 November 2024**
The ceremony of awarding an honour is held on **17 November**.

Poster

The organizer is willing to send a poster containing information on application etc. as well as some of last year's distinguished works on request.

Website <http://www.environmentalmap.org/>

Submission of maps

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