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## Less is More: Student Recycle Art Calendar Awardees Announced

SALEM, OR – Four students from Marion County will be honored at the Marion County Board of Commissioners meeting on Wednesday, December 14, 2016, and their artwork will be published in the Student Recycle Art Calendar Poster. In an effort to promote waste reduction and resource conservation in local schools, Marion County Public Works - Environmental Services and Mid-Valley Garbage & Recycling Association teamed up to create this year's Student Recycle Art Calendar Poster contest.

Beginning in April, students throughout Marion County began submitting illustrations that addressed this year's theme "Less is More." Students were encouraged to think of ways in which they can help prevent waste at school and home.

The committee selected the winners based not only on their artistic ability, but also on the content of their message. Four students will be awarded gift cards along with art sets. Students with winning entries will also receive certificates that will be presented to them by the board of commissioners. The 2016 art calendar award winners are:

<b>Student Name</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>School</b>
Sean Collier	11	Sprague High School
Victoria Canchola	9	Early College High School
Alexis Reeves	6	Howard Street Charter School
David González	1	Swegle Elementary School

This year we will also recognize Sprague High School's art teacher, Connie Toland. Her student will be awarded the grand prize, and their artwork will be featured on the cover of the calendar poster. We realize that teachers play a critical role in making this contest successful and we want to also recognize their hard work.

Poster calendars are free and available by visiting Marion County Public Works at 5155 Silverton Road NE, Salem, Oregon or by calling 503-365-3180, or by calling Mid-Valley Garbage & Recycling Association at 503-390-4000.

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