

# National “Be Ready. Be Buckled.” Kids’ Art Contest

## Rules & Entry Form

The annual Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) Safety Belt Partnership ([www.fmcsa.dot.gov/safetybelt](http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/safetybelt)) “Be Ready. Be Buckled.” Children’s art contest runs through **Tuesday, March 1, 2016!**

Children in kindergarten through sixth grade (ages 5-12) who have a relative who works in the bus or truck industries or who are sponsored by an organization in these industries are eligible. The contest focuses on urging truck, bus, and all drivers to buckle up to save lives and reduce injuries.

The winning artwork will best illustrate “the importance of commercial motor vehicle drivers buckling up”, with the message “Safety Belts Save Lives.”

### In creating artwork, children should think about these questions:

- Why is it important for truck and bus drivers to buckle up every time?
- Bus and truck drivers can spend many hours a day on the road. Why is the motto “Safety Belts Save Lives” really important to them?
- Do you see big trucks and buses on the road? Why is it important for those drivers to buckle up and be safe?
- What would happen if a truck or bus driver did not buckle up while on the job?

Artwork will be judged for original design, clear theme message, and artistic merit. Contest results will be decided by **April 1, 2016.**



### CMV Safety Belt Partnership Associations

American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA); American Bus Association (ABA); American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE); American Trucking Associations (ATA); Associated General Contractors (AGC); Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA); Commercial Vehicle Training Association (CVTA); DRIVE SMART Virginia; Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA); First Student, Inc.; Great West Casualty Company; International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP); International Registration Plan, Inc. (IRP); Krueger Ergonomics Consultants; Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE); National Association for Pupil Transportation (NAPT); National Association of Public Funded Truck Driving Schools (NAPFTDS); National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services (NASDPTS); National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA); National Private Truck Council (NPTC); National Safety Council (NSC); National Tank Truck Carriers, Inc. (NTTC); National Association of Truckstop Operators (NATSO, Inc.); Network of Employers for Traffic Safety (NETS); Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association (OOIDA); Professional Truck Driver Institute, Inc.; Property Casualty Insurers Association of America; REI Safety Services; School Transportation Florida Department of Education; Truck & Engine Manufacturers Association (EMA); Truckload Carriers Association; United Motorcoach Association (UMA).

### Participation:

Entrants are divided into two categories by grade:

- **Category A** - kindergarten through second grades, as of September 1, 2016
- **Category B** - third through sixth grades, as of September 1, 2016

### Prizes:

The CMV Safety Belt Partnership will award one Grand Prize and five additional awards for each category. Grand Prize Winners will receive a cash prize and a framed copy of their artwork. All winners will be invited to an awards ceremony at the U.S. Department of Transportation Headquarters and a special program at the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum. All awardees will also receive a certificate of appreciation, and their artwork will be featured in a 2017 calendar.

### Entry Requirements:

1. Only one entry per child.
2. Artwork must be 100% produced by the child.
3. The child must be related to someone working in the bus or truck industry, or be sponsored by a member of the CMV Safety Belt Partnership or a business or driver in the bus or truck industry.
4. Artwork can be a painting, drawing, collage, or other two-dimensional work no larger than 11” x 17”.
5. For contact purposes only, students must include their name, address, phone number, school, and grade on the back of their artwork.
6. The CMV Safety Belt Partnership reserves the right to copy and modify any entry for reproduction. Entries will not be returned and may be used for future promotional opportunities.
7. All entries must be postmarked no later than **Tuesday, March 1, 2016.**

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Artist’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Artist’s Age/Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Artist’s Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist’s Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you related to a person that works with trucks and buses? Are you sponsored? If so, who is the sponsor?

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How did you learn about the contest? \_\_\_\_\_

By entering the contest, each contestant and his or her parents, guardians, and/or legal representatives warrant and represent that submissions are the contestant’s sole and original work. In addition, they consent to the use of the contestant’s first and last name, artwork, grade, and age on the 2017 CMV Safety Belt Planner and other related promotions, without further permission, compensation, or approval. Further, contestants and their parents, guardians, and/or legal representatives release, discharge, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless the CMV Safety Belt Partnership and its members, and representatives from all claims, damages, demands, obligations, or losses of any kind related to this contest.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian Address: *(if different from Artist)* \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **\*PLEASE CHECK THE INFORMATION YOU HAVE ENTERED ABOVE\***

*All communications regarding this contest, including the announcement of winners, will be sent to the artists’ parents. Please provide the most current contact information, including the home address, and telephone number.*

**Rules and Regulations:** Original artwork submitted with the contest entry form becomes the property of the CMV Safety Belt Partnership and its members. Art cannot be returned and may be reproduced by the CMV Safety Belt Partnership and member agencies. Winners assign all copyright, trademarks, and other intellectual property rights related to their winning entries to CMV Safety Belt Partnership. Prizes awarded may constitute income under applicable federal, state, and local tax laws, and winners shall be solely responsible for payment of any and all taxes that may be due with respect to acceptance of prizes. Prizes are subject to availability and change. No purchase necessary. Void where prohibited by law.

## **Mail Artwork To:**

CMV Safety Belt Partnership c/o CVSA  
Attn: Nicole Leandro  
6303 Ivy Lane, Suite 310 Greenbelt, MD 20770

**For more information, please visit:** [www.fmcsa.dot.gov/safetybelt](http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/safetybelt)