

Farmers Electric Cooperative 2010 Calendar Contest

Stay Safe in 2010

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, about 2,400 children 10 years or younger suffer electrical injuries each year. Farmers EC does its best to educate students about electrical safety to help prevent these needless injuries. Last year we began a calendar contest to have students from kindergarten through senior high draw pictures of how to stay safe around electricity.

We would like to continue this tradition in 2010 and are getting an early start. This is a chance for students to be creative and learn an important lesson too. The winners will be broken down into three groups:

Group 1: Kindergarten – Fifth Grade (5 winners)

Group 2: Sixth – Eighth Grade (3 winners)

Group 3: Ninth – Twelfth Grade (4 winners)

Winners will receive a \$25 Wal-Mart gift card and get their work displayed in Farmers EC's 2010 calendar for all of our members to see.

Below are a few safety rules:

1. Never play with or try to put anything inside an electric outlet
2. Never fly kites or model airplanes around electric wires.
3. Never overload electrical outlets
4. Never plug anything in with wet hands.
5. Always keep electrical appliances away from bathtubs, sinks and pools.
6. Never climb trees near electric lines.
7. Stay away from places that have Danger: High Voltage signs
8. Stay away from fallen power lines – never touch them or try to move them.
9. Keep cords away from pets.

All entries must be submitted on the official contest sheets, by 5p.m. May 15th. These sheets can be picked up at area schools or at Farmers EC's offices in Sulphur Springs, Greenville and Wylie. For more information and all the contest rules, visit Farmers Electric's Website at www.farmerselectric.coop or you can contact Nancy Runge at nrunge@farmerselectric.coop

