The Everglades Foundation invites K-12 students, in Florida, to submit designs for our 2024 Everglades Challenge Coin! The winner’s design will be featured on challenge coins presented to Everglades Champion Schools this year, and to distinguished individuals in our community.

This year’s theme is “Only One Everglades.” Based on that theme, you’re encouraged to design an original art piece that depicts one animal and/or plant found in the Everglades. Please avoid creating a design with a panther, spoonbill, manatee, otter, or mangroves as those were featured on previous coins.

**RULES:**

- All artwork must be original. Any submissions that are not original artwork will be disqualified (for ex., copyrighted images, graphics pulled from websites, etc.).
- Your design should include one animal and/or one plant native to the Everglades.
- No more than 7 colors can be used in the design.
- All colors must be solid; no shading or color gradients.
- Do not include any text or writing on your artwork.
- Artwork must fit inside the provided template; anything outside of the circle will be excluded from the design.
- Designs may be created with crayons, markers, or colored pencils, as well as original digital art designs.
- Designs must be submitted by a parent or guardian, or by teachers with parent or guardian approval.
- All submissions must be in the format of a PDF or JPG.
- All designs should be submitted by clicking the box below. Submissions that are emailed or mailed in will not be accepted.
- The K-12 artist must be a student in Florida.
- No more than 10 submissions per school.

All designs must be submitted by February 9, 2024

CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT

If you have any questions regarding this competition, please visit EvergladesLiteracy.org/Challenge-Coin
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Judging Criteria and Process

• A panel of judges will review all entries.

• One finalist will be selected for the coin design.

• The finalist will work with The Everglades Foundation’s Education and Communications teams to finalize the design.

• Artwork will be judged using the following criteria:
  • Creativity and originality of the depicted theme, “Only One Everglades”
  • Professional Quality (neatness and craft)
  • Aesthetic Quality (design, composition, color/tones)

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Participation in the contest constitutes permission for The Everglades Foundation to use, without notice, worldwide and in perpetuity, any eligible participant’s entry art, name, grade, and school in any and all media for any purpose, including without limitation, printed materials and promotional purposes, as well as in, on, or in connection with the website or the contest or other promotions.
I hereby give The Everglades Foundation, Inc. and its employees, agents, licensees, representatives or assigns, and those acting under its permission and upon its authority or those for whom The Everglades Foundation, Inc. is acting, the absolute right and permission to copyright and/or use and/or publish, exhibit, display, broadcast or print and portions of files, videotapes, kinescope, audiotapes, still pictures, slides, or any other type of recording, in which I may be included in whole or part, made through any media without inspection or approval of the finished product or use to which it may be applied.

I also grant the right to include my possessions and/or background objects that may appear in the final product.

I further release The Everglades Foundation, its representatives, assigns, agents, or licenses from any liability for what I or anyone claiming by, through, or under me might deem misrepresentation or in connection with use of any of the aforementioned items in which I may have appeared. I am 18 years of age or older and have read the above authorization and release prior to its execution. If under 18 years of age, the legal guardian indicated below has signed on my behalf.

Name (print): ______________________________________________________________________
Contact (e-mail or phone number): ______________________________________________________
Signature: ___________________________________________________________________________
Date: _________________________________

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE REQUIRED FOR MINORS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

Student Name (print): __________________________________________________________________
School Name: _________________________________________________________________________
Parent/Guardian Contact (e-mail or phone number): __________________________________________
Parent/Guardian Signature: ___________________________________________________________________
Date: ________________________________

All entries must include a signed media/photo release form!
Design the Everglades Challenge Coin!

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Be sure to take a clear and high quality photo or scan of your submission.

Do not add any design elements to the area that contains the words EVERGLADES CHAMPION 2024

DRAW YOUR DESIGN HERE!

EVERGLADES CHAMPION 2024

Coin design description: