Illinois American Water Announces 2024 "Water Keeps Life Flowing" Art Contest

Contest raises awareness of the role high-quality water plays in students' daily lives

Belleville, Ill. (Sept. 25, 2024) — Illinois American Water encourages students to showcase their creativity by submitting artwork to the company's "Water Keeps Life Flowing" art contest. Entries from 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students will capture what high-quality water service means to them. Artwork will be accepted through Thursday, Oct. 24, 2024. Up to ten winners will earn their classroom a \$100 donation to be used for school supplies or a classroom celebration.

"This art contest encourages our young students in the communities we serve to learn and understand and illustrate the importance of water service in a creative way, by bringing together both art and science. We are excited to see the students' interpretations on how water plays a critical role in their lives," says Rebecca Losli, president of Illinois American Water.

Art entries are due Oct. 24, 2024, just one week after the annual observance of the <u>U.S. Water Alliance's Imagine a Day Without Water</u> on Oct. 17, which asks individuals to consider the devastating consequences of a single day without access to clean water.

Losli added, "Water is used to grow flourishing gardens and manufacture new products. We also need water to fight fires and to support public health across our communities. Illinois American Water plays a vital role in the daily lives of customers and communities by providing water service that supports a multitude of activities and jobs."

The winning artwork will be featured in future Illinois American Water customer communications and on social media. Past winning artwork can be found on the company's Facebook page: @ilamwater.

Additional contest rules and guidelines can be found on <u>Illinois American Water's</u> website under the News & Community tab.

About American Water

American Water (NYSE: AWK) is the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the United States. With a history dating back to 1886, We Keep Life Flowing® by providing safe, clean, reliable and affordable drinking water and wastewater services to more than 14 million people with regulated operations in 14 states and on 18 military installations. American Water's 6,500 talented professionals

leverage their significant expertise and the company's national size and scale to achieve excellent outcomes for the benefit of customers, employees, investors and other stakeholders.

For more information, visit <u>amwater.com</u> and join American Water on <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>X</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

About Illinois American Water

Illinois American Water, a subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), is the largest regulated water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water and wastewater services to approximately 1.4 million people. American Water also operates a quality control and research laboratory in Belleville.

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