



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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Dear Educator,

Enclosed is information on my office's Organ/Tissue Donor Awareness Student Poster Contest.

My office hosts this contest every two years to increase awareness about organ and tissue donation in Illinois. This contest also educates our youth about the state's organ and tissue donor registry to enable them to make an informed decision when they become eligible to register at age 16-17. We are asking for support by encouraging students to participate in the contest and by submitting their artwork for consideration.

The contest is open to all Illinois students in grades K through 12. Entries should be postmarked by January 31, 2024, to the postal address provided on the entry form. Entries will be divided into four categories (grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12) and judged by a committee designated by Secretary of State staff. The winner from each category will be notified by email or mail at the school email or postal address provided on the entry form. Winners will be invited to attend a ceremony at the Capitol in Springfield and have their art prominently displayed on [LifeGoesOn.com](https://www.lifeGOESon.com) and in Secretary of State DMVs, public libraries, and hospitals throughout Illinois.

I sincerely hope your school will participate. Additional details about the contest rules can be found on the enclosed entry form or at [LifeGoesOn.com](https://www.lifeGOESon.com). If you have any questions, please contact Life Goes On Office Manager Lauren Gilbert at LGilbert@ilsos.gov or 217-558-1322.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alexi Giannoulis".

Alexi Giannoulis
Illinois Secretary of State