

**TRI-COUNTY EMC**  
**Design our Annual Meeting Bag**  
**Contest**

**Entry Form**

(Please Print)

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

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

School Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

*Entries become the property of Tri-County EMC. Winners agree to allow us to use their names, likenesses, photos, and biographical information in connection with promotion and public information. Prizes are non-transferable. The top four winners will receive a \$100 prize in addition to getting their artwork printed on Tri-County EMC Annual Meeting Bag. Six non-finalist winners will received a \$25 prize.*

## OFFICIAL RULES

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### TRI-COUNTY EMC DESIGN OUR BAG CONTEST

NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. YOU MUST BE A STUDENT IN GRADES PRE-K-12 TO PARTICIPATE. (You must ask your parent or guardian permission before entering this contest.) THE CONTEST IS LIMITED TO TRI-COUNTY EMC MEMBERS OR STUDENTS ATTENDING SCHOOL IN TRI-COUNTY EMC SERVICE AREA. A MEMBER IS ANY PERSON WHO LIVES IN A PRIMARY RESIDENCE LOCATED IN THE TRI-COUNTY EMC SERVICE AREA. ONLY LEGAL UNITED STATES RESIDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO ENTER. VOID WHERE PROHIBITED. SEE ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS BELOW.

**GENERAL TERMS:** By participating in the Tri-County EMC Bag Contest, contestants warrant and represent that none of the material submitted or posted infringes upon or otherwise violates the copyright, trademark, privacy, publicity or other intellectual or proprietary rights of any person or entity, and that they have fully complied with the Official Rules. Prize acceptance constitutes permission (except where prohibited by law) to use winner's name, likeness and entry materials (in whole or in part) for publicity purposes in all forms of media including without limitation the worldwide Internet without additional compensation, notification or permission. CONTESTANTS AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THE OFFICIAL RULES AND THE DECISIONS OF THE JUDGES AND TO RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS TRI-COUNTY EMC, AFFILIATES, ADVERTISING, PROMOTION, JUDGING AGENCIES, DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, PRIZE SUPPLIERS, EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS FROM AND AGAINST ANY LIABILITY WHATSOEVER FOR ANY CLAIMS, COSTS, INJURIES, LOSSES OR DAMAGES OF ANY KIND ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH PARTICIPATION IN THE CONTEST, OR THE DOWNLOADING, ACCESSING OR SUBMISSION OF ENTRY MATERIALS. By participating in the Contest, contestants agree that Tri-County EMC shall have the right to use all personal information provided to Tri-County EMC. Contestants, by participating in the Contest, hereby waive and release, and agree to hold harmless Tri-County EMC, its affiliates, advertising and promotion agencies, and all of their respective officers, directors, employees, representatives and agents, from and against any and all rights, claims and causes of action whatsoever that they may have, or which may arise, against any of them for any liability for any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, including without limitation any injury, loss, damage, whether direct, compensatory, incidental or consequential, to person or property, including death, arising in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, from their acceptance, possession, use or misuse of a prize in the Contest, or their participation in the Contest, or their participation in any Contest or prize related activity, or any travel related to the Contest, or any travel for any prize related activity. Tri-County EMC reserves the right to disqualify any contestant found to be disrupting the operation of the Contest or its website.

**CONTEST PERIOD:** The Contest runs from April 4, 2022 and ends May 13, 2022 at 5:00 pm EST (“Contest Period”). The Contest will have two (2) phases: (1) the submission phase; and (2) the voting phase. The submission phase will run throughout the Contest Period. The voting phase will begin on May 9, 2022 and end on May 13, 2022 at 12:00 pm EST. Winners will be notified and the winner will be announced on Tri-County EMC Facebook page.

**GUIDELINES:**

- All entries must be received during the Contest Period. Finalists will be announced via the Tri-County EMC Facebook page.
- The design must be your own original, unpublished work and must not include any third-party logos or copyrighted material; by entering the competition, you agree that your submission is your own work. All copyright laws must be followed in the creation of the design.
- Tri-County EMC reserves the right to reproduce the design.
- Tri-County EMC reserves the right to reject any design which we, in our sole and absolute discretion, deem offensive, violates law or is unsuitable in any other manner.
- Design should appeal to the majority of Tri-County EMC members
- Design may include line art, text, but no photographs
- Submissions will be screened for merit and feasibility, and we reserve the right to make modifications, including but not limited to image size, ink or bag color before printing.

**HOW TO ENTER:** During the Contest Period, contestants may mail in entries, to PO BOX 130 Dudley, NC 28333. By entering, contestants warrant that each submission is their own original creation and that no entry infringes on another contestant or person’s rights. Any use of any photo, drawing, images or elements created by any other person, except for use of the Tri-County EMC provided and designated logos and slogans outlined within these Official Rules, is strictly prohibited and will result in disqualification. Contestants’ right to use Tri-County EMC’s logos or trademarks owned by Tri-County EMC is limited only to this Contest and Tri-County EMC’s logos or trademarks may not be used for any other purpose.

Designs that are considered, in Tri-County EMC’s sole discretion, offensive or defamatory or in violation of any person’s right to privacy or other personal rights are not welcome. Entries that are incomplete, illegible or corrupted are void and will not be accepted. Examples of prohibited content include, but are not limited to, the following: a) profanity, nudity or inappropriate or offensive material; (b) false or defamatory statements about any person or any third party; (c) third party trademarks which suggest affiliation with any trademark owner without permission of such owner or that dilute the value of any trademark; (d) obscene, indecent, violent, sexually explicit, abusive, discriminatory, racially inflammatory or other morally or legally objectionable depictions of material,. If an entry includes any prohibited material, the entry will be disqualified, along with the contestant who submitted it. Entries must be appropriate to the Tri-County EMC brand image. Tri-County EMC, in its sole and absolute discretion, reserves the right to modify or reject any entry that does not meet the criteria provided herein. Once submitted, an entry cannot be modified. **BY SUBMITTING AN ENTRY, CONTESTANT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT HIS/HER ENTRY MAY BE POSTED ON Tri-County EMC’S WEBSITES AND EDITED IN Tri-County EMC’S SOLE DISCRETION.**

**OWNERSHIP:** Tri-County EMC has EXCLUSIVE rights to reproduce and use any and all materials submitted in connection to the Contest. All entries become the property of Tri-County EMC and none will be returned or acknowledged except as provided herein. Submission of an entry grants Tri-County EMC and its agents an unlimited, worldwide, perpetual, royalty-free license and right to publish, use, edit, adapt, modify and/or publicly perform the entry in any way, in commerce and in any and all media worldwide now known or hereinafter developed, without limitation and without notice or consideration of the contestant. By submitting an entry, each contestant in the Contest further agrees that his/her entry constitutes an assignment of all rights, including but not limited to intellectual property rights, and title in and to such entry and the photograph therein to Tri-County EMC. Tri-County EMC may require contestants to execute documents to confirm this transfer of rights. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from the Contest. Upon submission, you agree to forfeit any ownership and are prohibited from the independent reproduction or sale of any images submitted to Tri-County EMC. By virtue of the non-exclusive, worldwide, royalty-free, perpetual license for the designs granted by all contestants, Tri-County EMC shall have the right to edit, adapt, print (as on apparel) and publish any or all of the finalists' designs, and may use them in any media and/or the promotion of Tri-County EMC without compensation to the contestant, his or her successors or assigns, or any other entity. Tri-County EMC maintains the rights to receive all proceeds from the sale of any merchandise using the submitted artwork, without fee or other form of compensation due at any time to the contestant. Designs will be credited to the artists on Tri-County EMC's website. In the event that ownership of any design submitted is challenged in any manner by any person, Tri-County EMC may disqualify that design and discontinue use of such design.

**PRIZE:** Four Winners will be selected and awarded a \$100.00 cash prize, in addition to the display of the winning designs at Tri-County EMC Annual Meeting, and Recognition of the winner on Tri-County EMC marketing collateral such as Carolina Country Magazine, social media and its website. Non-finalists will receive a \$25 cash prize. No prize substitution is permitted. Prizes will be awarded provided a sufficient number of eligible entries are received. No prize substitutions, except in Tri-County EMC's sole discretion. Prize is not transferable.

**WINNER SELECTION:** All entries will be judged by a panel of judges comprised of creative professionals based on the following criteria: a) originality (25%), b) creativity of activity (25%), c) appropriateness to Contest Theme of "INSPIRED BY TRI-COUNTY EMC" (20%), and d) public appeal as determined by public comments received (30%). In the event of a tie, an additional judge will be added to the panel. Decisions of the judges shall be final in all matters related to this Contest. Tri-County EMC will choose ten (10) Finalists from all designs submitted, and post the designs on the Tri-County EMC Facebook page for public voting.