Digital Photography Competition

**December 13, 2024**

**SWWC Service Cooperative**

**1420 East College Dr., Marshall**

* Students in grades 9-12 may submit one 8 x 10 photo from one of the following categories.
* **People**
* **Nature and Landscapes**-pictures could include landscapes, outdoor scenes, sunsets, seascapes, cityscapes, farms, animals, etc.
* **Elements of Design**- photos that showcase line, shape, form, texture, etc.
* There will be two Divisions- DSLR/Mirrorless and Cell Phone
* Photos may be in color or black and white.
* PhotoShop or a similar photo editing software may be used to enhance pictures. All elements in the photo must be photographed or created by the student. Elements found on the internet or created by someone else are not acceptable. Editing is not required.
* Students using editing software must print and display a 4x6 “before editing” photo along with their 8x10 “after editing” image.
* Matting for the 8 x 10 photo will be provided for display purposes. No matting will be necessary for the 4 x 6 photo.
* After registering, schools will receive a link to submit entries in a Google Slides Folder with subfolders for each photo category. Photos will be submitted for judging and for use in the student presentations. Slides should include the student’s name. A “before editing” photo should be included on the slide when appropriate so awards can be given for best “Digital Editing.”
* On the day of the competition, students will give a brief verbal explanation of their photo to the audience. Possible information to include: school, name, what type of camera was used, where was the photo taken, the story behind the photo, what was edited, etc. The presentation is not judged.
* Awards will be given to the top three places in each category, a Digital Editing Award, and a “People’s Choice” voted on by the students.

**\*\*\* Students will also participate in a skill session with an industry professional.\*\*\***

 **Registration Deadline:** November 26, 2024

 **Registration Fee:** $20/student. Lunch will be provided.

Judging criteria and registration information can be found at [www.swwc.org/photography](http://www.swwc.org/photography%20)

**Questions may be directed to:** Gail Polejewski, gail.polejewski@swwc.org or 507-537-2273

Contest entrants will retain copyright of all submitted work but grant the SWWC Service Cooperative unlimited permission to display submitted images on website or additional promotional materials.