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Students urged to show Nebraska spirit in art contest

LINCOLN – Nebraska Secretary of State John Gale and Nebraska.gov, the state's official Web portal, are sponsoring an art contest for elementary school students to promote Nebraska to the Internet community.

The winners from each grade (kindergarten through fifth grade) in the Nebraska Spirit Art Contest will have their work featured on a downloadable screen saver for one year.

The winners also will be invited to a day of activities in Lincoln on June 8, including a ceremony at the State Capitol with Gov. Dave Heineman, a luncheon at the Governor's Mansion and an outing at the zoo.

Entire classes are encouraged to participate in the contest. Entries must be postmarked by April 30.

Students, teachers and parents may visit the contest Web site (www.nebraska.gov/contest) for entry details.

Finalists in each grade will have their artwork posted in May on Nebraska.gov, and the public will have an opportunity to vote and select the winners.

"We want our school children to use their creativity to promote our great state to the world," Gale said. "I am excited to see what our talented students will produce."

Inquires regarding the contest may be made by contacting Nebraska.gov at contest@nebraska.gov, (800) 747-8177 or (402) 471-7810.

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