



Dear Second-grade Teacher,

In recognition of March as **Parenting Awareness Month**, the Child Abuse Prevention and Education Council is sponsoring its annual drawing contest for area second grade students. We hope you participate this year! The winners will be selected from all entrants. The topic of the drawing is, **“WHAT MAKES YOUR FAMILY STRONG?”** Please refer to the Great Start Collaborative’s website, www.WhatMakesYourFamilyStrong.org, or our flyer for ideas on how families stay strong.

PARENTING AWARENESS MONTH DRAWING CONTEST GUIDELINES

- 1) **The contest is open to second-grade students (or equivalent) in Charlevoix and Emmet counties.**
- 2) **The drawing should be on one 8.5 x 11” page and can be drawn with pencil, crayon, marker, paint, or any other art medium that will fit in a document frame.**
- 3) **The topic must be “What Makes Your Family Strong?”**
- 4) **These should be sent together as a class no later than February 1st. Please be sure each child’s name (or identifier) is on the back of the drawing. Include *one* copy of the submission form per class that lists the classroom/art teacher’s name, school, address, phone number, and email.**

The drawings must be returned by **February 1st**. You may mail entries to the CAPE Council at P.O. Box 414, Petoskey, MI 49770. If you have any questions concerning the contest, contact us at 231-753-8510 or director@upnorthchildabusecouncil.org.

Please visit www.UpNorthChildAbuseCouncil.org (go to the *program* tab) to find:

- Submission Form: required for all teachers, one per classroom
- Photo Release Form: only required if your students’ drawings are a winner or honorable mention. A parent or guardian must sign the release form.

All students will receive a participation certificate. (Bonus! If you email an excel list of your students’ names, I will complete the certificates for you!) Winners, honorable mentions, and their families will receive an invitation to an award ceremony on **March 21st**.

Thank you in advance for your participation. We look forward to seeing the original pieces your students create!