



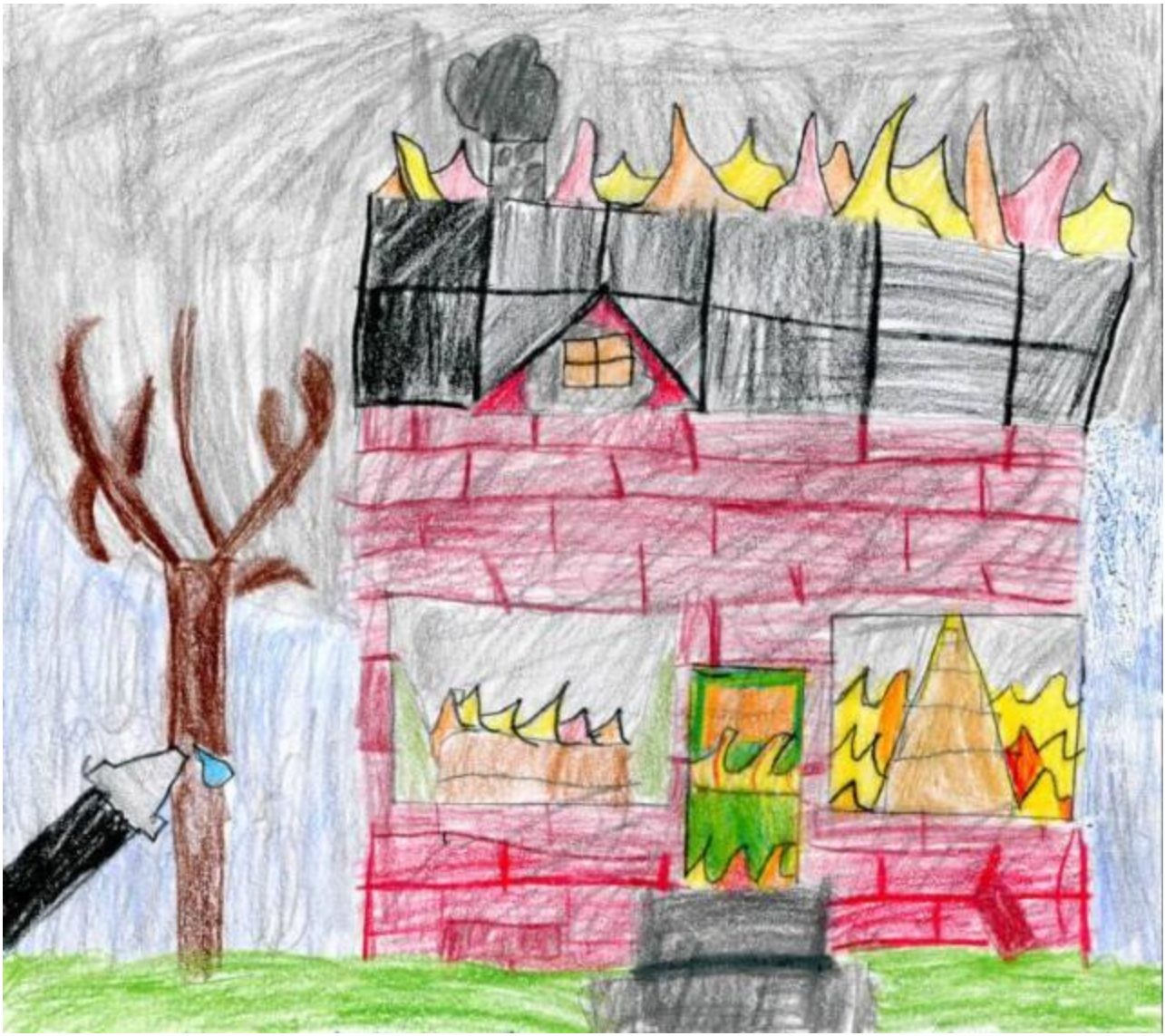
# Local students win Illinois American Water “Imagine a Day Without Water” art contest

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**BELLEVILLE** – This October, **Illinois American Water** invited 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms within the Company’s service area to participate in an “Imagine a Day Without Water” Art Contest. The contest was held in conjunction with the Value of Water Coalition’s national event to raise awareness about the value of water service.

“It’s hard to imagine even just one day without water. We need water to make a cup of coffee, grow fruits and vegetables, and manufacture nearly every product we use in our daily lives. While essential, few people understand the fundamental value of water and the systems that bring water to and from homes and businesses all day, every day,” said Bruce Hauk, president of Illinois American Water.

Artwork was received from across the state and winners include:







The day before After

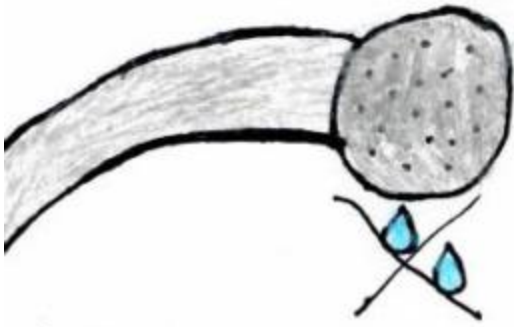




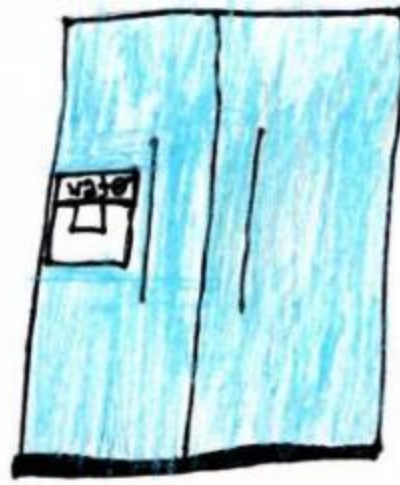








No water for showers



No drinking water.



We can't wash our hands.



No watering plants.



# A Day without water means...



The winning artwork can be viewed on Illinois American Water's Facebook page and will be featured in a future bill inserts. The winning students also won their classroom a \$100 donation.

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