

Students learn about their watersheds



Heidi Dittus

More than 633 Wake County fifth graders learned that “We All Live in a Watershed” by entering the annual poster contest sponsored by Wake Soil & Water Conservation District and Novozymes North America, Inc.

Students researched and illustrated their school’s local watershed and major river basin and conveyed how people’s actions can harm the watershed, and how we can individually and collectively protect the watershed we share. Posters with the best balance of accurate science and original artwork won top honors for 10 Wake County students. The top three posters winners were

Heidi Dittus from Hunter Elementary, **Aahana Mukherjee** from Green Hope Elementary, and **Kaden Stevenson** from Hunter Elementary.

Heidi’s winning poster will compete for additional prizes at the regional level with 10 other counties.

Poster winners, their teachers and families have been invited to a special spring watershed paddle with the River Guardian Foundation.