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CELEBRATING 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ADA WITH A “CHALK WALK”

Council Bluffs, IA The Council Bluffs Civil Rights Commission and the Bluffs Arts Council are celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) with a “**CHALK WALK**” on Friday, July 16th. Certain Bayliss Park sidewalks will be set aside for students (Grades K-12) to demonstrate their artistic abilities by creating visual art using only the colored chalk provided.

- Individuals will be given a 4' by 4' area and groups an 4' by 8' area to draw their artwork.
- Students will have from 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM to complete their individual or group projects with judging from 7:00 PM until 8:00 PM. The public will be invited to view the artists while they work.
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd place recognitions will be awarded in three individual categories: Grades K-4; 5-8; 9-12
- Groups from schools, churches, scout troupes, clubs, teams, or neighborhoods will be divided into grades K-4; 5-8; 9-12. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place recognitions will be given in each of the three group categories.
- The central theme of all artwork is the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Face painting available for all kids while they wait for judging!
- Free showing of Astro Boy following the art contest, courtesy of Bluffs Arts Council's Movies in the Park series!

The Americans with Disabilities Act makes it illegal to discriminate against people with disabilities. The Act covers the areas of employment, government programs, public accommodations, commercial facilities, transportation, and telecommunications.

We encourage all children to participate in this contest. If you need accommodation to participate, please contact Sarah Marfisi at the Council Bluffs Civil Rights Commission at 328-4618 or at smarfisi@councilbluffs-ia.gov.

