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SCARECROW FESTIVAL



Dear Friends,

Andover Coalition for Education (ACE) invites your organization to create a scarecrow for **ACE's 13th Annual Scarecrow Festival**. The community event will begin on Saturday, October 18th and we hope you can join us!

Theme **Every Scarecrow Has a Story**
Cost **\$50** (fee goes directly to support Andover Public Schools)
Contact **Natasha Groden**, Director for ACE • 229.379.6874

This year's theme celebrates what makes us unique – our traditions, talents, values, cultures and dreams, while reminding us that together, we make up a vibrant, inclusive community.

Whether it's a scarecrow inspired by your heritage, your favorite hobby, a fictional hero or a cause you care about, we encourage participants to create scarecrows that reflect who they are and what matters to them. We hope your group will enjoy the opportunity to construct your very own scarecrow!!

ACE welcomes our neighbors to view the scarecrows and celebrate our schools and community. A self guided scarecrow scavenger hunt will begin during the kick-off event on **Saturday, October 18th** in front of Old Town Hall.

Participation Information:

- Wood frames are provided in September. Please use plastic bags filled with paper, newspapers and other recyclable material to stuff their scarecrows.
- Scarecrows must be sturdy, weather-proof and wind-proof.
 - Paper items need to be laminated to withstand all weather elements
 - Design must allow scarecrow to be attached to light pole using the plastic zip ties provided by ACE
 - Duct tape is NOT allowed per order of the Town of Andover
- Light pole assignments will be shared by **Wednesday, October 15th**.
 - Each scarecrow will be assigned to a light pole on Main Street
- Install your scarecrow on **Thursday, October 16th** or **Friday, October 17th**
 - Scarecrows must be placed on poles before 9:00 am on Saturday, October 18th
 - ACE representatives will be available to assist on install dates (times TBD)
- Each group shall design and/or create the clothing for its scarecrow to express a theme.
 - ACE encourages groups to reuse and recycle materials on their scarecrow.
 - Please attach a laminated sign (5"x7") with your organization's name (see attached form).
- Take down your scarecrow by **noon on Sunday, November 2nd**. If you are unable to meet the November 2nd deadline, please contact us at the email listed below.
- **All scarecrows must embody positive community values.** ACE reserves the right to remove any scarecrow that does not meet this objective.

Contact **Natasha Groden** at andover.coalition.education@gmail.com with the following information:

1. Name of your organization, contact person, email address and phone
2. Share the date and place that you wish to receive your scarecrow materials
3. \$50 check payable to ACE/ECCF - Mail to: ACE, P.O. Box 1521, Andover, MA 01810
OR Pay Online by [CLICKING HERE](#) - write "Community Group Fee + Organization" in comments