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## Art and Brawn: Students Get in On the Action

*Student logo artwork on display at Dulles International Airport and at 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Plane Pull benefiting Special Olympics Virginia*

Although they may not be big enough to pull a plane, don't count them out yet. Elementary and Middle School Students from Virginia submitted 20 pieces of artwork for consideration for a Dulles Day Student Logo Contest. The winning artwork will be placed on t-shirts and given to all kids who participate at the Kids Bus Pull event—where teams of children play tug-of-war against a big yellow school bus. This event is part of The Dulles Day Family Festival and Plane Pull which takes place Saturday, September 6th at Dulles International Airport from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"We will display all of the artwork in the Dulles Main Terminal before the Plane Pull takes place," said Danielle Morgan, Tour and Education Programs Coordinator for the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA). All 20 pieces of colorful art are now on display in the Main Terminal lower level near Baggage Claim 8 and will be posted online at [www.planepull.com](http://www.planepull.com).

The art will be on display for one month. In addition, Dulles Day athletes and guests will have the opportunity to peruse the exhibit on September 6<sup>th</sup> while waiting for their chance at pulling the giant jet.

In 1992, the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Police Department created the Dulles Plane Pull, a big game of "tug-of-war" with a FedEx cargo jet, to support Special Olympics Virginia. Since the first event, the organizations have raised \$1,500,000 for athletes with disabilities throughout the state and also started a worldwide plane-pulling phenomenon. The Dulles Day Student Logo Contest allows young students in the area the opportunity to do their part in support of Special Olympics athletes.

For more information about the art contest or Dulles Day Plane Pull event, contact MWAA office of Public Affairs at 703-248-8370, Holly Claytor, Special Olympics Virginia, at 804-346-5544 or visit [www.planepull.com](http://www.planepull.com).

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