

# BEAR MANAGEMENT COOPERATOR PATCH CONTEST



Help design next year's patch. MBHA is holding a design contest to create the 2026 Bear Management Cooperator Patch.

**Contest Entry Deadline: December 31, 2026**

Eligibility: K-12 students attending public, private or home schools in Michigan are eligible to enter.

First, Second and Third Place winners will receive \$100, \$50, and \$25 awards respectively and be invited to the MBHA Convention.

**Mail entries to:**

**Michigan Bear Patch Contest  
10510 Fairgrieve Road  
Johannesburg, MI 49751**

Design requirements: Design should be simple and unique, and easily reproduced as a patch.

Theme: The design should include the Black Bear or components of the Bear (ie. tracks).

Medium: Drawing may be any medium (pencil, oil, pen and ink, chalk, crayon, etc.) and may be color or black and white.

Shape: The patch shape (border) is an integral part of the design. Make sure to include the border in the design. Patches can be any shape, not limited to standard geometric shapes.

Artwork Size: All entries must be submitted on 8.5 x 11-inch paper, and submitted without mat, glass, frame, or coversheet (spray chalk with fixative).

Lettering: The following text must be included in the patch design:

"Bear Management Cooperator"

"2027"

"www.michigan.gov/bear"

Entry Information: On a separate piece of paper, type or print legibly the following information:

Student's name, home mailing address, home phone number, grade level, school or club affiliation and teacher/club leaders' name (if submitted through school or a club).

**GLUE** this information on the back of the entry.

One entry per student.

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## APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School/Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher/ Club leader Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_