**Event name:** Concurs “The World of Karst and Caves” of the Bashkortostan Republic among schoolchildren.

**Event description:** The results of the Bashkortostan Republican competition “The World of Karst and Caves” have been summed up. The organizer of the Competition was the state budgetary institution of additional education “Republican Children's Health and Education Center for Tourism, Local History and Excursions” with the support of the Institute of Geology of the Ufa Federal Research Center of the Russian Academy of Sciences, “Geopark Yangan-Tau”, “Geopark Toratau”, Regional public organization for the support and development of the Geological Society in the Republic of Bashkortostan. This Concurs was created in 2021 by the scientific researcher of the Institute of Geology – Yury Sokolov.

The competition was held with the aim of popularizing knowledge of karst studies and speleology as a natural heritage of the native land and the implementation of educational programs to familiarize schoolchildren with the Yangan-Tau and Toratau geoparks. This concurs was timed to coincide with the International Year of Karst and Caves. It also was focused on solving the problems of improving the organization and methodology school local lore, techniques and methods of educational and research activities of children of educational organizations and institutions of additional education of the Republic of Bashkortostan.

Special label of the Concurs was created.

The competition was attended by 9 municipal districts (Khaibulla, Baimak, Ilisho, Ishimbay, Mechetlinsky, Salavat, Alsheev, Tuimazy, Meleuz), 5 urban districts of the Republic of Bashkortostan (Sibay, Sterlitamak, Salavat, Ufa, Oktyabrsky).

The competition received 146 works in 5 nominations: “Karst-speleological drawing”, "Photo of a karst object”, "Didactic materials for the study of karst and caves”, “Karst-speleological symbols”, “Research works on karst and caves”.

The results of the Competition were evaluated in three age groups (the youngest is 7-11 years old, the middle one is 12-15 years old, the older one is 16-18 years old).

Children works you can see in the social net VKontakte.

Nomination “Рисунки” [https://vk.com/album143900516_283577656](https://vk.com/album143900516_283577656)

Nomination “Photographs on karst/cave thematic” [https://vk.com/album143900516_283577719](https://vk.com/album143900516_283577719)

Nomination “Didactic materials for education” [https://vk.com/album143900516_283577917](https://vk.com/album143900516_283577917)

Nomination “Speleological symbols and souvenirs” [https://vk.com/album143900516_283577704](https://vk.com/album143900516_283577704)

Nomination “Research works” [https://vk.com/album143900516_283578058](https://vk.com/album143900516_283578058)

The jury of the concurs highly appreciated the participation of children in all nominations.

Protocol of the Concurs is published on the website of the Touristic center of Bashkortostan Republic [https://bashrdct.ru/news/itogi/598-itogi-provedeniya-respublikanskogo-konkursa-mir-karsta-i-peshcher.html?fbclid=IwAR2MDrMzZMB5k8ceS9aJQH9gUjdVE1TeFS3TmpVRt0dr3r7rbZM MVfojRKI](https://bashrdct.ru/news/itogi/598-itogi-provedeniya-respublikanskogo-konkursa-mir-karsta-i-peshcher.html?fbclid=IwAR2MDrMzZMB5k8ceS9aJQH9gUjdVE1TeFS3TmpVRt0dr3r7rbZM MVfojRKI)

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