

VISUAL ARTS

Architecture, carpentry, ceramics, collages, photographic collages, computer-generated image, crafts, design, dioramas, drawing, fiber work, jewelry, kites, metal etching/punch work, mobiles, painting, printmaking, sculpture, and windchimes

Dimensions of 2D works not to exceed 24 x30 including matting, no frames

Mount 2D artwork on a sturdy backing

3D works must include three photos for each 3D entry

PHOTOGRAPHY

Color, Black and White

Single photo, panoramic, photomontage, a multiple exposure, negative sandwich or photogram

No smaller than 3x5, No larger than 8x10 (11x14 with matting).

No frames

No 3-D entries

No slides or transparencies No collages or multiple photo

DANCE

CHOREOGRAPHY

Original work of one student

Not to exceed 5 minutes

Credit music used

FORMAT

Video: AVI, MP4

Maximum Upload File Size: 1,000 MB

SPECIAL ARTIST

Disability as defined by Americans with Disability Act (ADA)

May enter in any category See guidelines in the Student Packet

Student Entry Form must be signed by parent/guardian regardless of age

REFLECTIONS At A GLANCE

Olmsted Falls Council of PTA's

See www.ohiopta.org for more info

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AGE CATEGORIES

Primary: Preschool – Grade 2

Intermediate: Grades 3-5

Middle: Grades 6 – 8

High School: Grades 9 – 12

All entries must be signed by student

and parent (unless over 18)

MUSICAL COMPOSITION

Original Composition Voice, instrument(s), or a combination of voice and instrument(s)

Not to exceed 5 minutes and 1000MB in file size

FORMAT

Audio Recording of Music Performance:
MP3, WAV

Record production on CD or flash drive

PDF of music notation is required for Middle and High School entries

LITERATURE

Fiction or non-fiction Prose, poetry, drama, reflective essay, narrative, short story

Do not exceed 2000 words

Grade appropriate grammar, punctuation and spelling

FORMAT

Single-sided handwritten or typed on 8 1/2 X11" paper

FILM/VIDEO PRODUCTION

Animation Narrative Documentary Experimental Media presentations

Original work of one student

Not to exceed 5 minutes Credit music used

FORMAT

Video: AVI, MP4
Maximum Upload File Size: 1,000 MB

Entries are due to your
PTA Unit
by November 29th, 2021.

Questions can be directed to your unit Reflections Chair or megdifilippo@gmail.com



Official Rules

By submitting an artwork to the “National PTA Reflections Program,” entrants accept and agree to be bound by the official rules for participation as well as the entry requirements for their specific arts category and division. Additional state program requirements may apply. Any violation of these rules may, at PTA’s discretion, result in disqualification. All decisions of the reviewers regarding this program are final and binding in all respects. (The “PTA” referred to in these rules include all PTAs reviewing the submission).

- 1. ELIGIBILITY.** Students must participate through a local PTA/PTSA. Each student’s eligibility is determined by the state and local PTA/PTSA. A student may develop an entry inside or outside of school.
- 2. ARTS CATEGORIES.** There are six arts categories—dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography and visual arts. Students may enter the National PTA Reflections Program in one or more arts categories. See each arts category rules for additional entry requirements.
- 3. GRADE DIVISIONS.** Students may enter in the appropriate division for their grade (Primary: Preschool-Grade 2; Intermediate: Grades 3-5; Middle School: Grades 6-8; High School: Grades 9-12; Special Artist: All grades welcome).
The Special Artist Division welcomes students from all grades and abilities and offers non-artistic accommodations (e.g. adaptive technology; transcribing; holding a camera) for students to participate fully in PTA Reflections. Assistants must refrain from being involved in the artistic process (e.g. developing an artist statement, choreography, music lyrics, storyboards, etc.) Student recognition and awards are announced as part of the Special Artist Division.
- 4. HOW TO ENTER.** Entrants must submit their artwork and student entry form to their local PTA/PTSA program according to local and state PTA procedures. Entrants must follow requirements and instructions specific to each arts category and division. Contact local PTA programs for deadlines and additional information.
- 5. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS.** (All participants must also follow arts category and if applicable, Special Artist Division rules)
 - Only new pieces of artwork inspired by the current year’s theme may be submitted.
 - Each entry must be the original work of one student only. An adult may not alter the creative integrity of a student’s work. Because the program is designed to encourage and recognize each student’s individual creativity, help from an adult or collaboration with other students is not allowed except in the Special Artist Division. Other individuals may appear in or perform a student’s work, but the work itself must be the creative product of one student only. Only one student may be recognized as the award recipient for each entry. *See the specific arts category rules and special artist division rules for details.*
 - Each entry must contain a title and all entries must include an artist statement. The artist statement communicates what inspired the work, how it relates to the theme, and the content of the work. The statement must include at least 10 words and not exceed 100 words.
 - Use of copyrighted material is prohibited, except for background music in dance choreography and film production entries. If used in dance choreography and film production entries, background music must be cited on the entry form. Plagiarized entries will be disqualified. Use of PowerPoint templates are prohibited.
- 6. FINALIST SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION.** Entries are reviewed at local, regional, state and national levels. Each PTA determines its own reviewers for the program. Entries will be reviewed primarily on how well the student uses their artistic vision to portray the theme, their originality and creativity. The National PTA Reflections® program makes no restrictions on content or subject matter in artwork submitted by the local, regional or state levels. National PTA reserves the right to use its sole discretion in selecting the submissions to be recognized at the national level. Under no condition may parents or students contact a reviewer to dispute the status/score of any entry. Each PTA in its sole discretion will select finalists for exhibition and provide awards/prizes. Awards are announced per local and state procedures. National awards and events are announced May 1, 2021 at PTA.org/Reflections.
- 7. OWNERSHIP AND LICENSE.** Ownership in any submission shall remain the property of the entrant, but entry into this program constitutes entrant’s irrevocable permission and consent that PTA may display, copy, reproduce, enhance, print, sublicense, publish, distribute and create derivative works for PTA purposes. PTA is not responsible for lost or damaged entries. Submission of entry into the PTA Reflections program constitutes acceptance of all rules and conditions.
- 8. PARTICIPATING ENTITIES.** This program is administered by the National Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and PTA affiliates. Parent groups not affiliated with National PTA are not eligible to sponsor this program.



How To Enter

Use the arts to share your personal *Reflections* on this year's theme: "I Will Change The World By..."
Submissions are due to Ohio PTA Office by January 12, 2022 no later than 4:30 p.m.

Experienced artists will review your work for interpretation of theme, creativity and technique. We look forward to celebrating your artistry and achievement in the arts! Details for this year's Reflections Celebration will be announced at a later date.

Dance Choreography: Solo and ensemble works of all dance styles are accepted. Entrant must be the choreographer and may also be the performer, or one of the performers. If background music is used, cite it on the entry form. Video file must not exceed 5 minutes in length and 1,000 MB (1,000 megabyte) in file size and be in MP4, MOV, or AVI format.

Film Production: Accepted short film styles include: Animation, narrative, documentary, experimental or media presentation. Use of PowerPoint is prohibited. Entrant must be the screenwriter, cinematographer, editor and producer. If background music is used, cite it on the entry form. Video file must not exceed 5 minutes in length and 1,000 MB (1,000 megabyte) in file size and be in MP4, MOV, or AVI format.

Literature: Accepted forms of fiction and nonfiction include: Prose, poetry, reflective essay, screen play and play script, narrative, and short story. Entrants may write in their primary language as long as an interpretive English translation is also attached. Use of copyrighted material is prohibited. Writing must not exceed 2,000 words and may be handwritten or typed. Accepted formats: Single-sided print on 8 1/2x11" paper, PDF file.

Music Composition: All music styles and combinations of instrumentation are accepted. Entrant must be the composer and may also be the performer, or one of the performers. Use of copyrighted material is prohibited. An audio recording of the composition must be included and must not exceed 5 minutes in length and 1,000 MB (1,000 megabyte) in file size. Accepted audio file formats include: MP3 and WAV. Notation (score/tablature) in PDF format is only required for middle and high school divisions. In place of a notated score entrant may include a written reflective statement that provides a musically technical explanation of how you wrote the music (100 words or less).

Photography: Photo must be a single print/digital image. Collages and collections of photos are not accepted. Entrant must be the photographer and may use a variety of digital editing techniques including but not limited to, multiple exposure, negative sandwich and photogram. Use of copyrighted material is prohibited. Print image dimensions must be no smaller than 3x5 inches and no larger than 8x10 inches. Accepted print formats: Mounted on mat or poster board no larger than 11x14 inches. Framed prints are not accepted. Digital image dimensions must be at least 640x960 (pixels) and 300 dpi (resolution). Accepted file formats: JPEG, JPG, and PNG.

Visual Arts: Works of both fine and design arts are accepted, including but not limited to: architectural drawing and models, ceramics, collage, computer generated images and graphics, crafts, drawing, fashion clothes and jewelry, fiber work, mixed media, painting, printmaking and sculpture. Use of copyrighted material is prohibited. 2D artworks must be mounted on sturdy material and no larger than 24x30 inches with matting. Framed entries are not accepted. Include one digital image of artwork with your submission. 3D artwork submissions must contain 3 digital images of artwork at different angles. Image(s) are used for artwork identification, judging and exhibition purposes. Accepted file formats: JPEG, JPG, and PNG.

Special Artist: Students who identify as having a disability and may receive services under IDEA or ADA: Section 504 may enter in the Special Artist Division or grade division most closely aligned to their functional abilities. See Official Rules for details.

*Please turn in Reflections submissions in the big, yellow Reflections box in the office - or - email Angie Stokes at angielamstokes@gmail.com to arrange pick up or submit electronically.
Thanks and Good luck!!



Entry Form

Form must be filled out completely and signed to be accepted

To be completed by PTA before distribution.

LOCAL PTA Olmsted Falls Middle School PTA LOCAL PTA ID 0 0 0 1 8 0 1 2
 LOCAL PROGRAM CHAIR Angie Stokes EMAIL angelamstokes@gmail.com PHONE 216-536-0821
 COUNCIL PTA Olmsted Falls Council of PTA's DISTRICT PTA 1 REGION PTA _____ STATE PTA Ohio
 MEMBER DUES PAID DATE _____ INSURANCE PAID DATE 9-17-21 BYLAWS APPROVAL DATE 7-9-19

STUDENT NAME _____ GRADE _____ AGE _____ CLASSROOM _____
 PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME _____ EMAIL _____ PHONE _____
 MAILING ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

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STUDENT SIGNATURE _____ PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

GRADE DIVISION (Check One)

- PRIMARY (Pre-K-Grade 2)
- INTERMEDIATE (Grades 3-5)
- MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6-8)
- HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)
- SPECIAL ARTIST (All Grades)

ARTS CATEGORY (Check One)

- DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY
- FILM PRODUCTION
- LITERATURE
- MUSIC COMPOSITION
- PHOTOGRAPHY
- VISUAL ARTS

TITLE OF WORK _____ DETAILS _____

If background music is used in **dance/film**, citation is required. Include word count for **literature**. List musician(s) or instrumentation for **music**. List dimensions for **photography/visual arts**.

ARTIST STATEMENT (In 10 to 100 words, describe your work and how it relates to the theme)
