

Reflections Art Program Information

Calling all artists - it is time for Reflections. This year's theme is "I Matter Because..." SEL students share your stories through words, song, photos, drawings, or film and tell us why you matter. Each of you is special - we want to hear from you about YOU!!!

Reflections: It's All About the Arts

The Reflections Art Program has been bringing the arts to life for more than 10 million students since 1969. Ohio PTA and its members, families and kids are on the forefront of this amazing program, which increases community awareness of the importance of arts in education.

Reflections encourages students of all ages to:

- Unleash creative talents and be inspired
- Express themselves imaginatively in their artwork
- Experience the fun and joy of making art
- Tap into critical-thinking skills to create art inspired by the theme
- Receive positive recognition for their original works of art.

Participation is Easy, Exciting, and Empowering

The Reflections categories include:

- Dance Choreography
- Literature
- Photography
- Film Production
- Music Composition
- Visual Arts

The grade divisions include:

- Primary (PreK – Grade 2)
- Intermediate (Grades 3 – 5)
- Middle School (Grades 6-8)
- High School (Grades 9 – 12)

All Reflection entries must be an ORIGINAL WORK OF ART. Completed entries are submitted first to your local SEL PTAs/PTSAs unit where they are recognized and judged in their grade level divisions. The Special Artist division celebrates all student artists with special needs. PTAs then choose a selection of entries to be judged by local PTA units, which may then be sent on to councils or districts for consideration. The final Reflection entries submitted to Ohio PTA are then judged at the state level and are considered for Award of Excellence (1st), Award of Outstanding Achievement (2nd) and Award of Merit. (3rd). Award of Excellence (1st) entries are then sent on to National PTA to represent Ohio PTA in the final National PTA judging round.

Entries due to the home school by MONDAY NOVEMBER 30th - Judging will be completed by December 4th

All entries will be submitted to each home school and will be collected by SEL PTA Council Reps to be transported to the Board Office. We will set up all entries on tables in the gym so that we can bring in an impartial judge. After judging all items will be returned to each school. We are asking for each school to designate an area where the artwork can be displayed for the students to enjoy. Prior to break any projects that have been designated to go to the state competition will be picked by so that they can be packaged and shipped to Columbus. We will need help with displaying the items in the schools. SEL PTA Council will work with Charbel to create a virtual art show during the month of December that will be shared with the district admin as well as each school so it can be promoted and celebrated.

The logo features the National PTA logo on the left, followed by the word "REFLECTIONS" in a large, stylized red font. Below that, "CALL FOR ENTRIES!" is written in blue. The theme "I Matter Because..." is in green, and "2020-2021" is in blue at the bottom. A yellow and orange curved graphic element is on the right.

NATIONAL PTA
REFLECTIONS
CALL FOR ENTRIES!
I Matter
Because...
2020-2021

Share Why You Matter!

Projects Due:

MONDAY November 30th

Submit to your school office

Questions:

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NATIONAL PTA
REFLECTIONS

Explore the Arts and Express Yourself

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

DANCE

CHOREOGRAPHY

Original work of one student

Not to exceed 5 minutes

Credit music used

FORMAT

Video: AVI, MP4

Maximum Upload File Size: 1MB

SPECIAL ARTIST

Disability as defined by Americans with Disability Act (ADA)

May enter in any category
See guidelines for Student Packet

Student Entry Form must be signed by parent/guardian

REFLECTIONS at a GLANCE

**PTA DUES MUST BE PAID
TO OHIO PTA BY
NOVEMBER 30, 2020**

See www.ohiopta.org for more info

**Ohio
PTA**

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AGE CATEGORIES

Primary:

Preschool –

Grade 2

Intermediate:

Grades 3 – 5

Middle/Junior:

Grades 6 – 8

Senior:

Grades 9 –

12

DEADLINE:

Monday November 30

End of school day

Submit to your school office

Questions:

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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

1GB in size

Record production on CD or flash
drive

PDF of music notation is
required for Middle and High

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: 1MB

Record production on DVD/CD



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](https://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.