

PHOTOGRAPHY RULES AND GUIDELINES

Theme: "Together We Can"

Deadline: _____

Review or download complete rules at www.wastatepta.org/Programs/Reflections

GENERAL RULES:

Theme: Only new pieces of artwork inspired by the theme are acceptable.

Artwork: All artwork must be the original work of ONE student only. An adult may not alter student's work or its creative integrity.

Eligibility: Students must participate in the Reflections Program through a PTA/PTSA in good standing.

Grade Divisions: Students must enter the Reflections Program in the appropriate grade or age division as indicated on the entry form.

Children With Disabilities: There is no special division for children with disabilities. Each local unit and council may establish guidelines for placing a child's artwork in the grade/age division that best matches the child's developmental age. Direct additional questions to the Reflections Chair at your school.

Number of Entries: Each local unit and council may limit the number of entries a student may submit. Direct additional questions to the Reflections Chair at your school.

Judging: All entries are judged on artistic merit, creativity, and interpretation of the theme.

Return of Artwork: Visual Arts and Photography entries will be returned to students. Literature, Dance Choreography, Music Composition and Film Production entries are not returned – please keep a copy.

Copyrighted Material: Use of copyrighted material is prohibited, including cartoon characters and other such material.

Plagiarism: Plagiarism is defined as taking and using another person's ideas, writings or inventions as one's own. Plagiarized entries will be disqualified.

Entry Form: All entries require a completed entry form signed by the entrant and parent/guardian, unless entrant is 18 years or older. Entry form must be on WHITE paper and completely filled out. Write legibly with BLACK or BLUE ink only. Use only WSPTA approved entry form (available at www.wastatepta.org/Programs/Reflections or from your local PTA).

Parent/Guardian Consent Form: All entries require a completed and signed Parent/Guardian Consent form for EACH person under the age of 18 years who appears, performs, or whose name appears in a Reflections entry, whether or not that person is the entrant. Consent form must be on WHITE paper.

PHOTOGRAPHY:

Acceptable forms of photography: An original black-and-white or color image, or group of images, produced by a photographic process. Entry may incorporate such techniques as montage, multiple exposure, negative sandwiches, and photograms. Images may be manipulated conventionally or digitally. Images should demonstrate the student's proper use of photographic techniques such as depth of field and exposure. The images may be created using various lenses, filters, and light sources.

Works not accepted: Works with added graphics over the image, including lettering. Original film (negatives or transparencies). Multidimensional pieces.

PRESENTATION CHECKLIST:

- _____ A single print or collage may not exceed 11" X 14", including a mat.
- _____ Entry may not exceed 3/8" thickness.
- _____ Entry printed on paper or other two-dimensional material.
- _____ Entry must be mounted on sturdy cardboard backing (not to exceed 3/8" thickness). If entry can be easily rolled, bent or folded it will be disqualified. No metal, wood, plastic or glass frames are acceptable.
- _____ Protect artwork with transparent cellophane wrap or sleeve designed for artwork (optional). **DO NOT LAMINATE.** Shrinkwrap is not recommended. **DO NOT USE PLASTIC FOOD WRAP.**
- _____ Entry form completely filled out:
 - ___ Grade, Age, Grade Division, Arts Area
 - ___ Artist Statement (required)
 - ___ Name, Address, Phone, Parent's E-mail
 - ___ Both student and parent must sign entry form, unless student is 18 years or older.
 - ___ PTA Information completed by PTA Reflections Chair
 - ___ Reflections Parent/Guardian Consent Form filled out and signed.
 - ___ Title of Work
 - ___ Dimensions of Artwork, including mat (Length, Width)
- _____ Place entry and consent forms in a clear plastic sheet protector (required)
- _____ Use masking tape to attach clear plastic sheet protector to back of artwork on TOP of protective cellophane. Leave sheet protector open on one end for easy removal of entry form.
- _____ Turn entry in to Reflections Chair no later than deadline.