



National PTA® Reflections

Official Rules



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

1. **ELIGIBILITY.** Students must participate through a local PTA/PTSA in good standing. Parent groups not affiliated with National PTA are not eligible to sponsor this program. It is the responsibility of the state and local PTA/PTSA to determine each student’s eligibility in the National PTA Reflections® Program. A student may develop an entry in or outside of school.
2. **ARTS CATEGORIES.** There are six National PTA arts categories – dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography and visual arts (2D and 3D). In Utah, the 2D and 3D categories are separate for a total of seven (7) categories. Students may enter the National PTA Reflections Program with one in one or more arts categories (up to seven [7] separate entries). 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. See Special Artist Division Rules for entry requirements.
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 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. Only one student may be recognized as the award recipient for each entry. Other individuals may appear in or perform a student’s work, but the work itself must be the creative product of one student only. *See the specific Arts Category Rules for details.*
 - Each student may enter one (1) entry in each arts category – up to seven (7) separate entries.
 - 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 ten words, but may not exceed 100 words.
 - Use of copyrighted material is prohibited, except for recorded music in dance choreography and film production entries. Music used in dance and film must be Plagiarized entries will be disqualified. Use of PowerPoint presentations are prohibited because most graphic elements are copyrighted.

Awards are announced according to local and state procedures. National award recipients are notified via email by National PTA in **May 1, 2017**. The PTA in its sole discretion will select finalists for exhibition and provide awards/prizes. Visit PTA.org/Reflections for more information on Exhibitions and awards.

6. **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.
7. **PARTICIPATING ENTITIES.** This program is administered by the National Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and PTA affiliates.
8. **STATE SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS.** Contact your State PTA for additional requirements.