

PTA “Reflections” Rules 2017-18

Dance Choreography:

- ✓ Must be an original choreographed dance recorded as an AVI, MOV, MP4, WMV, or FLV file
- ✓ Please store the video on a DVD or USB flash drive to attach to entry form
- ✓ Choreography must be the work of **one student** and must not exceed 5 minutes and 1 GB in file size
- ✓ Attach the Student Entry Form to the entry

Film Production:

- ✓ Must be an original work of fiction or nonfiction by **one student** relating to the current theme
- ✓ Films can be animation, narrative, documentary, or experimental (no PowerPoint presentations)
- ✓ May not exceed 5 minutes and 1 GB in file size
- ✓ The student submitting the entry must be the editor and camera person (or use a camera tripod)
- ✓ Please store the video on a DVD or USB flash drive as an AVI, MOV, WMV, MP4, or FLV file
- ✓ Attach the Student Entry Form to the entry

Literature:

- ✓ Must be an original work of fiction or nonfiction prose, poetry, or drama by **one student** relating to the current theme
- ✓ Paper size must not exceed 8 1/2 inches by 11 inches in size. Do not submit entries with text on both sides of the page
- ✓ Entries must not exceed 2,000 words
- ✓ Number all pages
- ✓ Entries may be handwritten or typed (students may have their entries typed by another person as long as the original work or a copy of the original work is attached)
- ✓ Entries are to reflect grade-appropriate grammar, punctuation, and spelling
- ✓ Students in Kindergarten or 1st grade may dictate to another person who may print or type the student’s words (transcribers should make every attempt to retain the same level of language and accuracy that is reflected in the student’s original work)
- ✓ Attach the Student Entry Form to the entry

Musical Composition:

- ✓ Must be an original work by **one student (no groups)** for voice, instrument, or a combination of voice and instrument
- ✓ Entries can not be “performances” of pieces the student has learned in music lessons
- ✓ The composition must not exceed 5 minutes and 1 GB in file size
- ✓ Entries must be submitted on a CD or a USB flash drive as an MP3, WMA, WAV, ACC (M4A), or FLAC file
- ✓ Students are not required to perform their own compositions
- ✓ A score of the musical notation is optional
- ✓ Attach the Student Entry Form to the entry

Photography:

- ✓ Must be an original black-and-white or color image or group of images from **one student** produced by a photographic process
- ✓ Graphics or lettering over the image are not acceptable
- ✓ The single print or collage may not exceed 11 inches by 14 inches, including a mat
- ✓ Entries must be two dimensional
- ✓ Mount all entries on cardboard, poster board, or some other sturdy material but do not use wood, metal, glass or plastic frames
- ✓ Framed entries, negatives or 3-dimensional pieces are not accepted
- ✓ Attach the Student Entry Form to the entry

Visual Arts:

- ✓ Must be an original print, drawing, painting, collage, photographic collage, metal etching or punch work, fiber work, or computer-generated artwork by **one student** that relates to the current theme
- ✓ No glitter, please!
- ✓ All art must be flat and may not be more than 3/8 inch thick (including all 2D materials such as string or fabric)
- ✓ Nothing 3D (noodles, beans, beads, etc.) may extend off the surface of a work
- ✓ No art may exceed 24 inches by 30 inches, including a mat
- ✓ Entries may be submitted on paper (mounted on cardboard), canvas board, or cardboard (no wood, metal, plastic, or glass frames)
- ✓ Attach the Student Entry Form to the entry