Kiser Middle School

Explore the Arts and Express Yourself!

National PTA Reflections Contest - Sponsored by the Kiser PTA

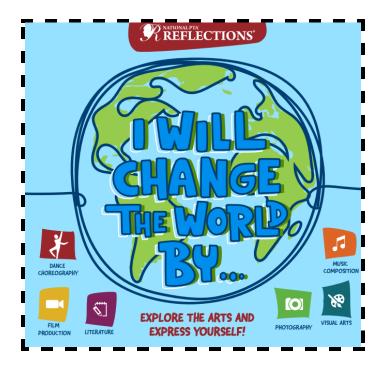
Submission Deadline - Monday, November 1, 2021 at 4:00 PM

Do you have a child who likes to...

- Invent Dance Choreography
- Make Videos
- Write Creative Stories
- Compose Music
- Take Interesting Photos
- Create Visual Art

Then, encourage them to join over 300,00 students from across the country to create an original work in response to the theme,

"I Will Change the World By..."



What is the PTA Reflections Contest?

• Every fall, PTAs throughout the country organize an arts contest around a unifying theme. Any student can submit an entry. It's a great way to get creative outside of the classroom! The submissions of up to six students from Kiser Middle School will be promoted for judging at the county level. The top submissions at the county level will then be submitted to the state level before a few select finalists will be promoted to the national level. There is one "competition" for children in grades 6 to 8.

Submission Guidelines:

- <u>Dance Choreography</u> 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.
 <u>Video File must not exceed 5 minutes in length</u> and 1,000 MB (1,000 megabyte) in file size and be in <u>MP4 or AVI format</u>. <u>MORE INFO</u>
 - (Español)
- <u>Film Production</u> 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 or AVI format. - MORE INFO

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- **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 ½x11" paper, PDF file. - MORE INFO
 - o (Español)
- 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. Audio recording 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). - MORE INFO
 - o (Español)
- **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. - MORE INFO
 - o (Español)
- 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. - MORE INFO

- o (Español)
- <u>Special Artist</u> 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. - <u>MORE INFO</u>
 - o (Español)

Entry Requirements:

- 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.

Can my child submit an entry in more than one category?

YES!

If my child is interested in participating, what should I do next?

• Complete this form to express interest. - **INTEREST FORM**

How do I submit my child's submission?

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1. Read the official rules. - RULES

- 2. Download and fill out the Entry Form ENTRY FORM
 - a. Typed signatures are fine.
- 3. Email the completed Entry Form and student submission to the Lindley PTA Reflections Chair at Kiser.Reflections@gmail.com

Want to get inspired?

- Reflections Gallery of North Carolina State-Level Winners for 2020-21 Contest, "I Matter Because..."
 - o **LINK**
- Reflections Gallery of North Carolina State-Level Winners for 2019-20 Contest, "Look Within..."
 - o LINK

Additional questions about this year's PTA Reflections Contest?

- Reach out to the Kiser PTA Reflections Chair, Patrick Lilja, at:
 - o Kiser.Reflections@gmail.com
 - o 336-517-7563

