REFLECTIONS BASICS

Theme
- What is your Story?

Art Categories:
- Dance Choreography
- Film Production
- Literature
- Music
- Photography
- Visual Arts

Grade Divisions:
- Primary (Pk-2)
- Intermediate (3-5)
- Middle School (6-8)
- High School (9-12)
- Special Artist
REFLECTIONS CHAIR RESPONSIBILITIES

• **Promote Reflections**

• **Collect Artwork**
  ▪ Identify entries ineligible for advancement

• **Judge Artwork**

• **Advance Artwork (Submit to Region/State)**
  ▪ Student entry form (in envelope or page protector)
  ▪ Original artwork
  ▪ Packing list

• **Use Online System**
  ▪ Register students advancing to region level

• **Celebrate Students**
REFLECTIONS CHAIR CHECKLIST

Step 1. Start the Arts

Step 2. Organize and Plan Your Program

Step 3. Promote Reflections

Step 4. Organize Artwork for Judging

Step 5. Celebrate and Recognize Your Participants

Step 6. Wrap Up

Catherine Park
Unity
Langley High School PTSA, Virginia
Register your PTA at PTA.org/Reflections.

Confirm that your local PTA is in good standing with the state PTA and eligible to participate.

Make sure the Reflections program is included in your PTA’s program budget for the school year.

Visit your state PTA website for program registration information and materials.
ORGANIZE AND PLAN YOUR PROGRAM

- Recruit your committee/volunteers and engage school personnel and community members for additional support.
- Recruit creative professionals to judge student artwork.
- Determine which arts categories and grade divisions your PTA will offer. New program leaders may consider getting started with one or more arts category and division.
- Establish a timeline for the following activities

Hana Ichikawa
Together We Can Make Peace
Thornton Creek PTA, Michigan
PROMOTE REFLECTIONS

- Distribute program rules and student entry form.
- Promote artwork submission deadline and instructions.

Maria Elana Tovar
The World Would be a Better Place if More People Cared about Each Other
Monte Sano Elementary PTA, Alabama
ORGANIZE ARTWORK FOR JUDGING

Alexis Ebanks  
Unity  
Washington Drive Primary School PTA, New York

- Collect and organize artwork by category and division. Check entries for qualification.
- Facilitate judging and support judges as needed.
- Collect judges’ scores and rank entries. Assign awards and prepare artwork for exhibition.
CELEBRATE AND RECOGNIZE YOUR PARTICIPANTS

- Announce awardees to the whole school community.
- Host a Reflections Celebration Event to showcase student work and distribute certificates/awards.
- Offer state and national opportunities for student recognition by sending your finalists to the next judging round. See State PTA’s Leader Guide for details.

Jennifer Kim An
Beautiful
George Jackson PTA, New York
WRAP UP

- Return non-advancing student artwork.
- Recognize volunteers and evaluate your program to consider future improvements.
- Report student participation totals and program success at PTA.org/Reflections.

Natalie Upholz
*Hands Across the World*
Ridge Middle School PTA, Ohio
ADVANCING ENTREPRENEURSHIP USING ONLINE SYSTEMS
NEW YORK STATE REFLECTIONS

Local PTA

Region PTA

State PTA

National PTA
PREPARE TO ADVANCE ENTRIES

Contact Region Reflections Chair (RRC)
- Deadline for advancement
- Drop-off requirements

Entries qualify and conform to the rules

Complete online process

NOTE: Advance only 2 entries per division per arts category
Local PTA Unit

1. Complete PTA Profile & Update Participation using Online System
2. Complete Student Entry forms
3. Drop-off Student Artwork and forms to your Region PTA

Region PTA

1. Complete PTA Profile & Update Participation using Online System
2. Complete Student Entry Forms using Online System!
3. Advance Student Entries using Online System
4. Ship/Deliver Student Artwork and forms to NYS PTA Office
A LOCAL PTA UNIT MAY SUBMIT TWO ENTRIES PER DIVISION FOR EACH ARTS CATEGORY TO THE REGION LEVEL

EXAMPLE:
www.pta.org/reflections

Register Now

Reflections Arts Program: What is Your Story?

PTA Reflections is a nationally acclaimed student recognition program to encourage artistic creativity in the classroom and at home. Students of all grades and abilities may participate and explore the arts based on the 2016-2017 theme: What Is Your Story?

To participate, contact your Local/State PTA for official program rules and deadlines.
KNOW YOUR RESOURCES

- Reflections
  - Chairs
  - Region & State

- Websites

- Rules & Guides

- Training
  - Workshops
  - Guides
  - Webinars