Fairfax County Council PTA

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WELCOME TO

FAIRFAX COUNTY COUNCIL PTA 2023-2024 REFLECTIONS KICKOFF AND TRAINING

We Can Do This – and, Keep it Simple and Manageable

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Fairfax County
Council PTA
Reflections Honors
2022-2023

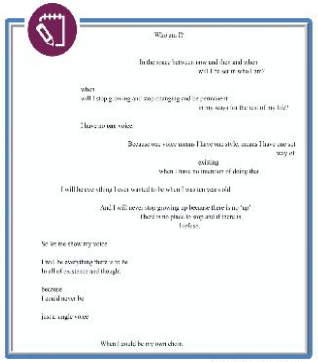
Richard DiMassimo

2022-2023 FCCPTA Reflections Honorees
Outstanding Interpretation Award (1st, nominated to VAPTA)

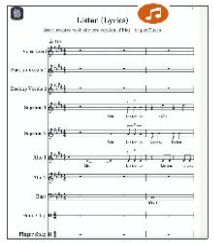
Dance Choreography - Anaya Oberoi, McNair ES PTA; Sophia Truong, Oakton ES PTA; Lillian Frazier, Baileys ES PTA; Melina Turnage, McLean HS PTSA;
Film Production - Rae Wang, Canterbury Woods ES PTA; Aiden Gower, Hayfield SS PTSA; Cole Ballagh, Wolftrap ES PTA; Jude Caldwell, TJHSST PTSA; Aiden Riley, Edison HS PTSA
Literature - Makda Bekele, McLean HS PTSA; Stephanie Groves, Lake Braddock SS PTSA; Naomi Rosner, Wolftrap ES PTA; Sophia Chang, Churchill Road ES PTA; Isabel Mallory, Great Falls ES PTA
Music Composition - Juliet Auten, Lake Braddock SS PTSA; Luke Caldwell, Luther Jackson MS PTA; Krishnav Baliga, Churchill Road ES PTA; Caleb Nielsen, Armstrong ES PTA
Photography - Ela Patel, Mantua ES PTA; Aiden Riley, Edison HS PTSA; Vikram Singh, McNair ES PTA; Aimee Djac, Hayfield SS PTSA; Aryana Molaiy, Langley HS PTSA
Visual Arts - Enzo Gastaldi, Laurel Ridge ES PTA; Nishita Shah, Mantua ES PTA; David Cadullo, Fairfax County SEPTA; Aiden Zhang, Churchill Road ES PTA; Richard DiMassimo, Hayfield SS PTSA

Aimee Djac

Jude Caldwell



Stephanie Groves



Juliet Auten

Julia Lee

Aiden Zhang

MUSIC COMPOSITION
HIGH SCHOOL

2022-23 Outstanding Interpretation

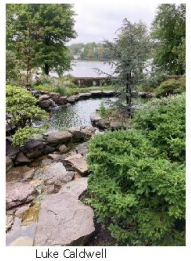
FCCPTA, VAPTA, and National PTA

Juliet Auten

Lake Braddock Secondary School PTSA

A Capella production using entirely own voice, with Soundtrap and Flat.io sound studio SW.

Santino Pan Mabanglo



Luke Caldwell

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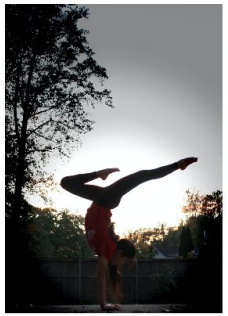
2022-2023 Reflections
Photography
Award of Excellence

Alyssa Kang



Eloise Shirley

Penny Kaminer

Sasha Fallen

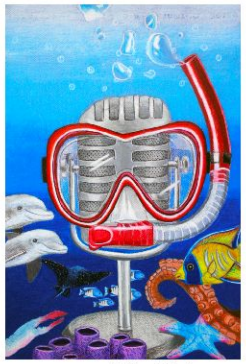
Aahvaan Tyagi

Fairfax County Council PTA
2022-2023 Reflections
PHOTOGRAPHY
Award of Excellence

Mateo Monterroso

Charles Nguyen

Richard DiMassimo



Esther Whaley

Fairfax County Council PTA
2022-2023 Reflections
VISUAL ARTS
Award of Excellence

Adeline Kong

Callum Chang

Tristan Pileri

2020-2021
VISUAL ARTS
MIDDLE SCHOOL

FCC PTA,
NOVA DISTRICT PTA, VA PTA &
NATIONAL PTA
OUTSTANDING INTERPRETATION (1ST)
AWARD

Claire Moon

Rachel Carson MS PTA

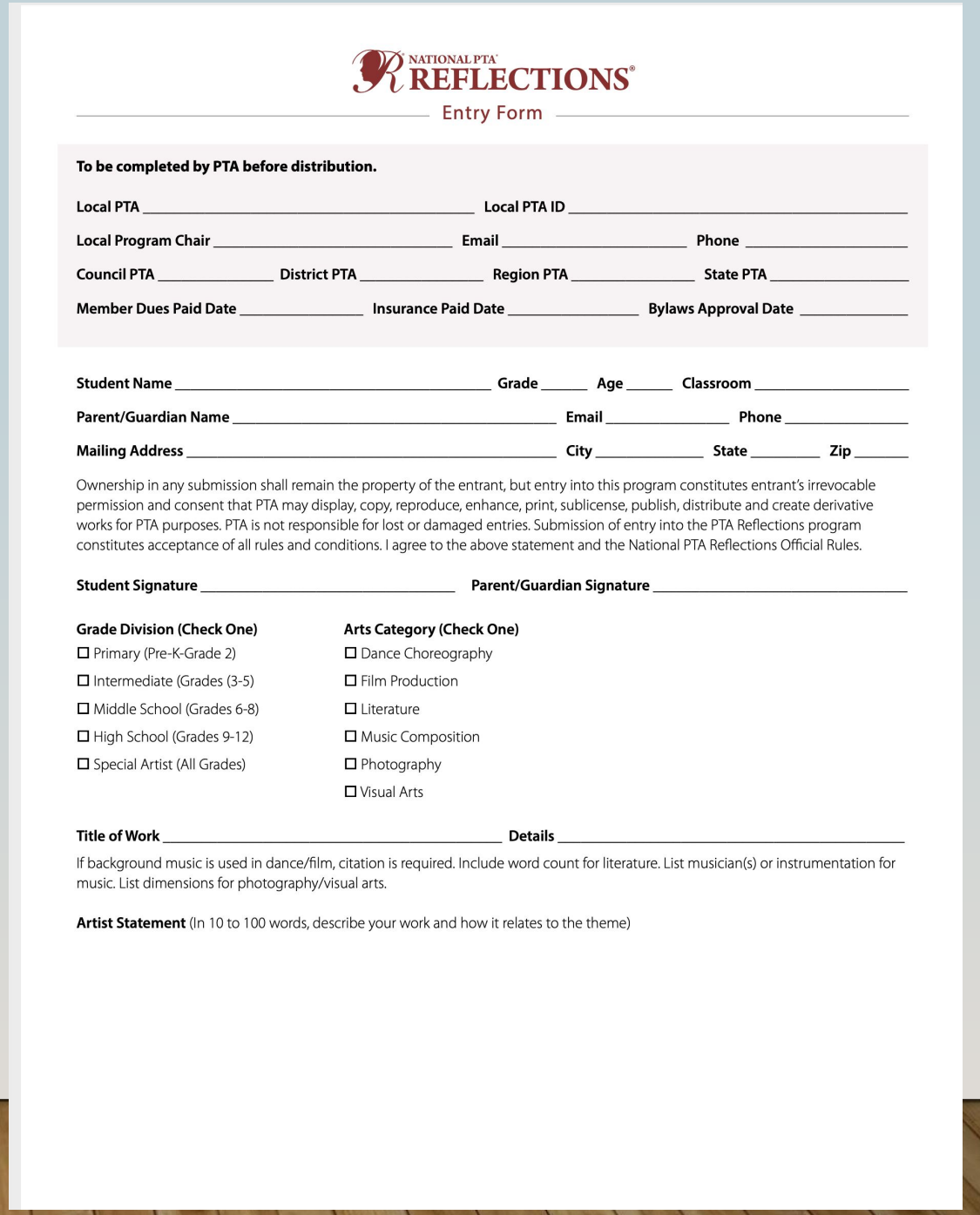
"*My Pieces of Quilt*"

WE ENCOURAGE LOCAL UNITS TO PROVIDE PTA'S REFLECTIONS PROGRAM TO YOUR SCHOOL'S STUDENTS.

PLEASE CONTACT DENISE BOLTON, REFLECTIONS@FCCPTA.ORG FOR INFORMATION AND TO PROVIDE A LOCAL UNIT POC/REFLECTIONS CHAIR CONTACT INFORMATION.

FCCPTA IS READY TO SUPPORT, INCLUDING PROVIDING INFORMATION, TRAINING, AND DROPBOX FOLDERS FOR LOCAL UNITS TO COLLECT STUDENT ENTRIES. RECOMMEND LOCAL UNITS START PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION/ANNOUNCE TO STUDENTS NOT LATER THAN OCT 1, 2023.

MORE INFO:
HTTPS://VAPTA.ORG/PROGRAMS/STUDENT-PROGRAMS/REFLECTIONS
&
HTTPS://WWW.PTA.ORG/HOME/PROGRAMS/REFLECTIONS



NATIONAL PTA® REFLECTIONS®

Entry Form

To be completed by PTA before distribution.

Local PTA _____ **Local PTA ID** _____

Local Program Chair _____ **Email** _____ **Phone** _____

Council PTA _____ **District PTA** _____ **Region PTA** _____ **State PTA** _____

Member Dues Paid Date _____ **Insurance Paid Date** _____ **Bylaws Approval Date** _____

Student Name _____ **Grade** _____ **Age** _____ **Classroom** _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____ **Email** _____ **Phone** _____

Mailing Address _____ **City** _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

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. I agree to the above statement and the National PTA Reflections Official Rules.

Student Signature _____ **Parent/Guardian Signature** _____

Grade Division (Check One)
- ☐ Primary (Pre-K-Grade 2)
- ☐ Intermediate (Grades (3-5)
- ☐ Middle School (Grades 6-8)
- ☐ High School (Grades 9-12)
- ☐ Special Artist (All Grades)

Arts Category (Check One)
- ☐ Dance Choreography
- ☐ Film Production
- ☐ Literature
- ☐ Music Composition
- ☐ Photography
- ☐ Visual Arts

Title of Work _____ **Details** _____

If background music is used in dance/film, citation is required. Include word count for literature. List musician(s) or instrumentation for music. List dimensions for photography/visual arts.

Artist Statement (In 10 to 100 words, describe your work and how it relates to the theme)

START your PTA Reflections program today!

Pre-Kindergarten through grade 12 students are encouraged to submit original works of art in one or more of the following categories:

Students who identify as having a disability may enter in the Special Artist Division or grade division most closely aligned to their functional abilities. Check with your state PTA for program guidelines, submission deadlines and recognition opportunities. Learn more and get involved!

Students participate in the appropriate division for their grade: Primary (Pre-K - Grade 2), Intermediate (Grades 3-5), Middle School (Grades 6-8), High School (Grades 9-12), Special Artist (All grades welcome).*

**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.*

- PTA.org and VAPTA.org
  - Programs, then Reflections in dropdown menus
    - Information, forms, rules, local leader guidebook, posters, judging rubrics, etc.

HOW IT WORKS

Students submit their work of art, with entry form including artist statement, to their local school PTA's Reflections contest in the Fall.

Local PTAs celebrate winners at the school level, and forward one 1st place winning entry in each age division and art category to their County Council PTA.

Council PTAs select winning entries and submit one 1st place entry doe each age division and art category to Virginia PTA. Council PTA's hold Student Awards Celebrations in late winter/early spring.

Virginia PTA selects and submits state winning entries to National PTA to compete against students from across the United States, and holds a Student Awards Celebration in April.

National PTA selects and announces winners of the national-level contest in May.

2023-2024 Reflections Due Dates for Virginia

NLT Sept 30: Local school PTAs announce Reflections call for entries

Sept 18th: Virginia PTA Reflections Webinar

Oct/Nov: Students submit entries to local school PTA based on time-line set by school PTA (recommend NLT 15 Nov)

Dec 7th: Local Unit first place submissions are to due to Fairfax County Council PTA

Jan 17th: Council winners due to Virginia PTA and announced (FCCPTA conducts awards ceremony in March)

Feb 20th: Virginia PTA winners announced

Apr 13th: VA PTA Student Awards Celebration (Richmond)

May 2024: National PTA Winners announced

Collection of Entries

- On-line
  - DROPBOX (preferred)
    - May need to validate your DROPBOX storage capacity/balance
    - Your school PTA google accounts (ex: reflections@waynewoodpta.com) may have more storage than personal
    - Personal dropbox plus is $10/month = 2 TB, plenty; request your PTA pay or reimburse
    - Collect student entries using "UPLOAD REQUEST" method, can use folder sharing method for organizing, providing to judges

  OR,

  - Google Drive and Google Form with upload question

  - In both, can copy links into your webpages, newsletters, emails, etc, for students to access (UPLOAD entries)

- Allow for students to submit hardcopy/original or USB drives if on-line submissions challenging for any

- On-line or hardcopy/USB drive must include:
  - Entry artwork hardcopy/file, including music notation hardcopy/file for Middle and High School music composition
  - Fillable .pdf Entry Form with parent signature
    - Even if you choose to create google form with all of the Entry Form data elements, I request copy of .pdf Entry Form with parent signature and legible responses

- File (on-line and even hardcopy, on back) naming convention:

1) for the actual entries files:

student last name.first name.school.category.age division."work of art"

ex: Smith.Linda.HayfieldSS.music composition.high school.work of art

Ex: Smith.Linda.Hayfield22.music composition.high school.music notation

2) for the student entry forms:

student last name.first name.school.category.age division.entry form

ex: Smith.Julie.Orange Hunt ES.literature.intermediate.entry form

- *At end of training can stay and walk thru using dropbox and google drive/forms*

Best Practices

- Use/read
  - Rules, resources, info at pta.org and vapta.org
  - Local Leader Handbook from pta.org and vapta.org (Denise's opinion - as a guideline v. hard rule; keep it a little more simple as necessary)
- Fillable .pdf entry form
- Naming conventions
- Recruit Judges – arts community orgs, dance schools, teachers, retired teachers, friends, neighbors, board members – don't underestimate arts appreciation v. Expert judges, especially at school level
- Provide Judging Rubric from Local Leader Handbook as a guideline to judges
- Google Search for help with DROPBOX, Google Forms and Google Drive tutorials
  - Ex: "DROPBOX Folder Sharing" and DROPBOX Request Files", "Google Drive", "How to make a google form with upload question", etc

Highlights for Students/Parents

- Each entry is creative work of of one student, and only the student
- Must be original creation
- Creativity, originality and Interpretation of the Theme are important judging criteria
- Entry forms very legible, signed, and attached, must include artist statement
- Entry form must have citation when copyrighted material is used, such as background music in dance choreography and film production videos.\
- Include details on art techniques used (ex: oil or watercolor painting, "stop action video", use of tripod, original choreography of national/ethnic type of dance

WHEN IN DOUBT, CONTACT ME; MORE HELP AND TRAINING IS AVAILABLE AND COMING SOON!
REFLECTIONS@FCCPTA.ORG

PTA Reflections- Medallion with Award Plate

Large 2.5" medallion with full color with full color 2023-24 PTA Reflections theme- "I AM HOPEFUL BECAUSE..." Backside has gold plate with individual Arts Category & Award Level.

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Hodgesbadges.com

CELEBRATE

NEXT (OPTIONAL):
SCREEN SHARE DEMONSTRATION

DROPBOX AND GOOGLE DRIVE

DROPBOX

Also try out folder creation, sharing, etc

DROPBOX STEPS

In Dropbox, open account
Go to Settings
Go to Plan
Look for Personal Dropbox Space ("using X GB of Y TB)

If only 2 GB, recommend PTA purchase or reimburse you 6 months or year of Dropbox plus ($10/month)

<u>DROPBOX FILE REQUEST (to collect student entries</u>
Use link from me to go to Dropbox folder or create your own Folder(s) (you will be owner)
Go to File Request
New Request
Title
Description
Share File request
Share a link instead
COPY
After folder first time creation, in your dropbox, click on the folder and COPY LINK into PTA webpage, email, news, etc

GOOGLE DRIVE

Also try out folder creation, sharing, etc

Google search "How to create Google forms with file upload" - YOUTUBE

STEPS

DROPBOX FILE REQUEST (to collect student entries

In Google Apps, go to Forms
Choose Blank
Type your title in Form Title
Type "Student Last Name"
Select short answer and required
Hit + for next question
Type "Student First Name" and select options
Hit +
Type Email address
"Category" and select options such as multiple choice
Age Division
Artist Statement
+question
"File Upload"
Section option 1 and select File upload under dropdown menu
Choose option Let respondents upload
Max files 5
Max file size 1 GB (each file)
Collect email addresses
Select total file size 10 GB
SEND
Send via Link
Copy
Copy link to your PTA webpage, etc