



National PTA Reflections 2024-2025 Art Program Quick Reference Guide First District PTA



What?

PTA Reflections is a nationally acclaimed student recognition program to encourage artistic creativity in the classroom and at home.

This year's theme is "*I am Hopeful Because...*"

Entries can be submitted in 1 of six categories:

- Dance Choreography
- Film Production
- Literature



- Music Composition
- Photography
- Visual Arts

Across 5 grade divisions:

- **Primary** Grades Pre K-2
- **Intermediate** Grades 3-5
- **Middle School** Grades 6-8
- **High School** Grades 9-12
- **Accessible Artist** All Grades

Why?

To help all students explore their own thoughts, feelings and ideas, develop artistic literacy, increase confidence and find a love for learning that will help them become more successful in school and in life.

When?

Happening now through a participating PTA unit near you (hopefully yours). [See me](#) if you are interested in running a Reflections program.

Student SUGGESTED due date to Units: **OCTOBER 15, 2023**

Unit SUGGESTED due date to Councils: **NOVEMBER 1, 2023**

Council & Out-of-Council FIRM Deadline to Submit to First District: **DECEMBER 1, 2023 @ NOON**

How?

1. View Self-Paced Reflections Training (for unit and council Reflections chairs)

- [Click here to view the First District First District Training](#)
- [Virtual Form training](#)
- [Virtual Judging training via California State PTA](#)



2. Promote Reflections Materials and more information at:
capta.org/reflections

3. Use this link to create a virtual submission form

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/14higYi-Kmls6ogpZi1wLMnzJizm2zkYH1a_hOVgZgTE/copy

You will make a copy and replace the word "Template" with "Unit Name_Council_District #_" and click the "restore" button to set up the file folder structure used to collect entries

4. Art Category Guidelines

The rules for entries can be found [here](#).

5. Unit & Council Participation Forms

The last step for **unit PTA school site Reflections chairs** is to tally your total entries on the downloadable [Unit Participation form](#).

The last step for **council PTA Reflections chairs** is to tally your total entries from your units on the downloadable [Council Participation form](#).

6. Final Steps for Submission

Council and out-of-council Reflections chairs:

1. Please submit your [Participation form](#) when submitting your shared drive document via Google docs to:
REFLECTIONS@PTA1.org
2. Please ensure that your document has been set to **Editor** in **General Access**.

7. Physical Entries for Photography & Visual Arts

After judging of entries at the First District PTA level, any first place entries

that move up to California State PTA for photography and visual arts will be

needed to be physically submitted. The Reflections committee will reach out to council & out-of-council Reflections chairs between 12/26/23 - 01/03/24.



Reflections Committee Members

[Scott Harden](#), VP Education & Family Engagement, First District PTA

[Traci Lalicata](#), Reflections Chair, Burbank Council PTA

[Vikki Connor](#), Financial Reviewer, Shull Elementary PTA, Bonita Council PTA

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Want to join our First District Reflections committee?

[contact VP of Education & Family Engagement Scott Harden!](#)

I am Hopeful Because Of... **YOU!**

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