

Summary: National PTSA's 50th arts competition

Theme: Heroes Around Me

Announcement:

Do you like to dance, produce a film, write a poem or story, compose a song, take a picture or create a piece of visual art? It's time to kick off this year's National PTA Reflections contest. The Reflections theme this year is Heroes Around Me. Here is how it works:

1. *Pick up an entry form. Reflections entry forms can be found in all pods, the front & back office and the cafeteria.*
2. *Tell us your interpretation of what "Heroes Around Me" means by choosing one the six arts category that you are interested in. Dance, Literature, Photography, Film Production, Musical Composition or Visual Arts.*
3. *Create an original work based on this year's theme, Hero's Around Me.*
4. *Attach your entry form to your work and bring to school during the week of November 5-9. Reflections submissions will be collected at all lunches on these days.*

No experience is required to participate in Reflections so have fun, be creative and be recognized as an artist in your community. If you have any questions, please see Ms. Jenn in the lunch room.

Program information: Students interpret the theme and create an arts piece in one or more of the following categories: literature, photography, dance choreography, music composition, film production, visual arts.

1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons will be given for each category at school level in two divisions: middle school and Special Students (ESE self-contained division). Winners of school-level divisions will go on to County level and may qualify for state and national.

Additional info about the program: Two afterschool sessions have been planned to help students brainstorm ideas and work on their projects: Thursday, October 11th and Thursday, October 23rd. Details about these events will be released soon.

Due to transportation concerns, all entries must be smaller than 2ftx2ft

Kickoff: Reflections kicks off this year on Monday, September 17th. At this time, student entry forms become available and can be found in every pod, front and back office and the cafeteria.

Website: More information about the reflections program can be found at
<https://www.pta.org/home/programs/reflections>

Online Student Entry Form: <https://floridapta.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/18-19-students-packet.pdf>

Deadline: Student entry forms will be collected with their submission at all lunches from November 5-9.

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TSvo7vS4Hgg&authuser=2>

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