DANCE......
- Student must make up the dance independently... your choice of style.
- Student can be a performer but does not have to be. May use multiple dancers but only one choreographer can submit the entry.
- Video, which must be on a disc or flash drive, must not exceed 5 minutes and 1 GB in file size. Acceptable formats are .avi, .mov, .mpg, .mpeg, .mp4, .wmv, .flv, .f4v.

FILM......
- Student must write, produce/edit and record film by hand or tripod.
- Video, which must be on a disc or flash drive, must not exceed 5 minutes and 1 GB in file size. Acceptable formats are .avi, .mov, .mpg, .mpeg, .mp4, .wmv, .flv, .f4v (no Powerpoint files).
- Can be animation, narrative, documentary or media.

LITERATURE......
- All forms of original fiction and non-fiction writing.
- Not to exceed 1000 words... handwritten or typed on single sided 8.5”x11” paper.
- Original and two copies must be submitted in manila folder.

MUSIC COMPOSITION......
- Student must write original musical piece... not to exceed 5 minutes.
- Student may perform or may have other performers.
- Notation, score or tablature is required for middle school.
- No music videos... Acceptable formats are .mp3, .mp4, .wma, .wav, .acc (m4a) and flac.

PHOTOGRAPHY......
- Single original photo (no collage entries) taken by student by hand or tripod/timer/selfie stick, etc.
- Minimum of 5”x7” not to exceed 11”x14” including matting.
- Must be mounted or matted on sturdy material.
- Print or digital (.jpeg, .jpg, .gif, .png, .bmp) image.

VISUAL ARTS......
- 2D (drawing, painting, collage, etc.) and 3D (architecture, carpentry, ceramics, crafts, jewelry, mobiles, sculptures, etc.) accepted.
- 2D must be mounted but not to exceed 12"x16" including matting.
- 3D must be packaged, must not exceed 12"x12"x12" including packaging, and must include 3 photos (of various views) of artwork.

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JS Wilson PTA announces our annual Reflections art contest.

LOOK WITHIN

Share your look through dance, a short film, a poem or story, an original song, a photo or a visual work of art.

All entries are due by Thursday, October 31.
All students are encouraged to enter this year’s contest. There is no limit to the number of entries a student may submit or in how many categories. Entries will be judged on

- **Interpretation**: How closely the piece relates to the theme, based on the artwork itself and the artist’s statement.
- **Creativity**: How creative and original the piece is in its conception of the theme and its presentation.
- **Technique**: The level of skill demonstrated in the basic principles/techniques of the arts area.

Remember that this contest is for original art, so students must create their own work, not perform someone else’s work, and **must not include** any copyrighted material or characters.

We are sharing these details about how to submit entries so that artists may work on Reflections entries on their own time (or during tutorial, if time permits) and submit them for judging at JS Wilson and for potential advancement to the next level.

Particularly with junior artists, judges are better able to understand each artist’s work when they can read about the artist’s intent. This is why the entry form requires a **Title** and an **Artist’s Statement** for each entry. The Artist’s Statement, using 10 to 100 words, should describe:

- How does your work relate to the theme?

Additional descriptions that may be helpful are:

- What is your personal connection to the theme?
- Why does your form of expression, artistic style, and/or choice of material suit the theme or your intended effect?
- What/Who was your inspiration?

Also, we ask that **no names** or identifying marks be visible on the front of the artwork so that our judging may remain anonymous.

Following are the statewide rules for Reflections entries. Some of these have changed, so be sure to read carefully. While we will accept any submission at the JS Wilson level, we will only advance entries that meet the state criteria.

**OFFICIAL STUDENT ENTRY FORM**

The double-sided entry form, which can be picked up in the school office or from your language arts teacher must be filled out completely. All fields are required. JS Wilson art will be judged in the following divisions:

- **Middle School**
  - Students in sixth, seventh and eighth grades
- **Special Artist**
  - Students who receive services under IDEA or Section 504 are eligible.
  - Option to submit artwork under grade division aligned to their functional abilities.
  - Option to submit under “special artist” category with no age separation (one category for all ages)
  - Accommodations made only according to disability (e.g. assist typing or holding a camera) but must reflect the sole creativity in idea and execution of the artist
  - Special artists must self-identify to be judged in this division

**ARTWORK LABELS**

Entries are to be marked with the following code:

`title.category.last name.first name.division.region.local pta`

For example, a literature entry that is titled “Sky High” would be:

`SkyHigh.Literature.Jones.Sam.Middle School.1.JS Wilson`

Entries on disc or flash drive should be placed in an envelope which is labeled with the code. Two dimensional entries (photography, literature) should be labeled on the **back**.

**PACKAGING**

It is important to have the artwork and the entry form in an envelope or secure packaging to protect them and to ensure that they don’t get separated.

*Turn to the last page for more rules about each category...*