



PTA REFLECTIONS

## Theme Search Judging Instructions

### The search is on for a future National PTA Reflections program theme!

Each year, over 300,000 students in Pre-K through Grade 12 create original works of art in response to a student-selected theme. Students submit works in one or more of the arts categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, and Visual Arts.

Only five state finalists will be chosen to advance to the national round. The national winner will be selected in February. One child's theme idea will be chosen to kick off the 2022-23 Reflections season and inspire the creativity of students across the country and beyond.

Use the considerations and scale below to score each theme entry students submit to your PTA.

#### Considerations:

- Theme is **unique**, inspiring and unlike past program themes.
- Theme is **focused** without being too narrow or too broad.
- Theme is **clear**, concise and appropriate for all grade levels.
- Theme is **applicable** to all arts categories.
- Theme **promotes PTA values**.
- Theme is **relevant in 2 years**.
- *Past themes and duplicate entries are not considered.*

#### Score Range:

10 pts Exceptional Theme

8 pts Strong Theme

6 pts Appropriate Theme

4 pts Weak/Basic Theme

2 pts Less Appropriate Theme

0 pts Disqualified



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The student who submits the winning entry will receive \$100 prize from National PTA.

Past themes and duplicate submissions will not be considered (refer to the list of past program themes). **Give us your most original theme ideas!**

To participate, complete this form and submit to Illinois PTA at [reflections@illinoispta.org](mailto:reflections@illinoispta.org) by November 1, 2020.

**Theme Idea:**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

(may be typed)

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

(may be typed)

***This box is to be completed by PTA before distribution.***

PTALEADERNAME \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

PTA ID \_\_\_\_\_ PTANAME \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL PTA \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT PTA \_\_\_\_\_ REGION PTA \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBER DUES PAID DATE \_\_\_\_\_ INSURANCE PAID DATE \_\_\_\_\_ BYLAWS APPROVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_



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## Past Program Themes

**1969-1970** Reflections: Children and Youth, Mirror Their World

**1970-1971** Reflections: Children and Youth, Look to Tomorrow

**1971-1972** Reflections: America, The Beautiful, The Ugly

**1972-1973** Reflections: This is Our Country

**1973-1974** From Sea to Shining Sea

**1974-1975** Our Heritage—Our Hopes

**1975-1976** Spirit of '76—Miracle of America

**1976-1977** What the World Needs Now

**1977-1978** Love Is...

**1978-1979** Look Out Your Window

**1979-1980** Behind the Gates of Tomorrow

**1980-1981** What a Family Means to Me

**1981-1982** What Makes Me Smile

**1982-1983** Life in These United States

**1983-1984** I Have a Dream

**1984-1985** What Sparks My Imagination

**1985-1986** From Liberty's View

**1986-1987** In Celebration: A Past to Remember, a Future to Mold

**1987-1988** Wonders of the World

**1988-1989** Proud Experiences

**1989-1990** Where Does the Sky End?

**1990-1991** If I Had a Wish

**1991-1992** Exploring New Beginnings

**1992-1993** Imagine That

**1993-1994** If I Could Give the World a Gift

**1994-1995** Dare to Discover

**1995-1996** Just Open Your Eyes and See

**1996-1997** It Could Happen

**1997-1998** Wouldn't It Be Great If...

**1998-1999** Suddenly You Turn Around And...

**1999-2000** Anything is Possible...

**2000-2001** It Would be Really Strange If...

**2001-2002** I Hold in My Hand...

**2002-2003** Signs of Courage

**2003-2004** I Am Really Happy When...

**2004-2005** A Different Kind of Hero

**2005-2006** I Wonder Why...

**2006-2007** My Favorite Place

**2007-2008** I Can Make a Difference By...

**2008-2009** Wow!

**2009-2010** Beauty Is...

**2010-2011** Together We Can...

**2011-2012** Diversity Means...

**2012-2013** The Magic of a Moment...

**2013-2014** Believe, Dream, Inspire

**2014-2015** The World Would Be a Better Place If

**2015-2016** Let Your Imagination Fly

**2016-2017** What Is Your Story?

**2017-2018** Within Reach

**2018-2019** Heroes Around Me

**2019-2020** Look Within

**2020-2021** I Matter Because...

**2021-2022** I Will Change the World By...