



## Illinois PTA Reflections Program 2023-24 Results



Congratulations to all the students who participated in the 2023-24 PTA Reflections cultural arts program! We are so very proud of those who created such amazing works of artistic expression. Two hundred eighty-five entries, representing all six arts categories, were received at the state level. Hopes and dreams abounded as students, in six of our PTA Regions, submitted entries reflecting the theme “I am Hopeful Because...” while PTA leaders, school staff and parents stepped up to encourage and support our innovative students’ works. Thank you to all who participate and make the Reflections program possible.

All Reflections entries that advanced to the Illinois PTA state level will be on display during our Spotlight celebration at Centennial High School in Champaign on May 18. Save the date, watch for details and join us!

Entries advanced to the National Level have been submitted for further review. These entries may receive additional National recognition announced on May 1.

We are excited to announce the twenty-seven entries advanced to the National PTA level and acknowledge the State Awards of Artistic Distinction and State Honorable Mentions:

### Advanced to the National Level – Dance Choreography

**Cecilia Radosevich** \* Primary \* **Somebody Loves Me** \* Carl Sandburg PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Sydney Maschek** \* Intermediate \* **finding strength** \* Highland PTA \* DuPage East Region

**Zachary Yee** \* Middle School \* **Friends** \* Herrick Middle School PTA \* DuPage East Region

### State Honorable Mention – Dance Choreography

**Abby Dahlquist** \* Primary \* **Feeling hopeful and enchanted** \* Carl Sandburg PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Evelyn Black** \* Intermediate \* **Untitled** \* Field PTA \* DuPage East Region

**Addison O’Neill** \* Intermediate \* **Welcome to Wonderland** \* Young PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Addison Trapp** \* Intermediate \* **Hopeful** \* Roosevelt PTA \* Southern Region

**Sophie Horn** \* Middle School \* **Untitled** \* Maercker District 60 PTA \* DuPage East Region

### Advanced to the National Level – Film Production

**Anneliese Moody** \* Primary \* **Snow** \* Pierce-Downer PTA \* DuPage East Region

**Arcadio Coronado** \* Intermediate \* **Math Attack** \* Winston Campus Elem PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

**Riley Grice** \* Middle School \* **Hope** \* Winston Campus Elem PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

**Oliver Rabideaux** \* High School \* **Rise The Moon** \* Oak Lawn High PTSA \* South Suburban Cook Region

### State Honorable Mention – Film Production

**Jesse Botts** \* Intermediate \* **Dandelions in the Wind** \* Emerson PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Hetvi Vyas** \* Intermediate \* **Hope Makes Your Wish Come True** \* Collins PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

**Henry Muranaka** \* Middle School \* **Hope Through Patience** \* Dooley PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

### Advanced to the National Level – Literature

**Mitchell Onken** \* Primary \* **Hope On A Boat** \* Lester PTA \* DuPage East Region  
**Umang Sinha** \* Intermediate \* **Music Box** \* Link PTA \* Northwest Cook Region  
**Isla Reedy** \* Middle School \* **Hope is the Key** \* Sandburg Middle School PTA \* DuPage East Region  
**Idhant Ranjan** \* High School \* **Live for more - the glass half full** \* Neuqua Valley PTSA \* DuPage West Region  
**Sanya Kapoor** \* Special Artist \* **Seizing my Tomorrow** \* Metea Valley PTSA \* DuPage West Region

### State Award of Artistic Distinction – Literature

**Noelle Cho** \* Intermediate \* **The Earth of Hope for the Day to Come** \* Lowell PTA \* DuPage West Region  
**Leland Davis** \* Middle School \* **Hope is Found in Nature** \* Sunnysbrook School Dist 171 PTA \* South Suburban Cook Region  
**Sema Sofuoglu** \* Middle School \* **Hope** \* Mead Jr High School PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

### State Honorable Mention – Literature

**Nitara Rustogi** \* Primary \* **The Hopeful World of Annie** \* Young PTA \* DuPage West Region  
**Samra Hrnac** \* Intermediate \* **We are hopeful because...** \* Culver School PTA \* West Suburban Cook Region  
**George Synowiec** \* Intermediate \* **Eco-Champion Cosmic Crown of Awesomeness** \* Collins PTA \* Northwest Cook Region  
**Rachel Bourgeois** \* Middle School \* **Where to Find Hope** \* Winston Campus Jr High PTA \* Northwest Cook Region  
**Lilah Leach** \* Middle School \* **Darla's Curls** \* Lorena Ave PTA \* Southern Region  
**Ishaanvi Vemula** \* High School \* **The Power of Hope: Reasons to Stay Optimistic** \* Metea Valley PTSA \* DuPage West Region

### Advanced to the National Level – Music

**Isaac Burk** \* Primary \* **Building My Future** \* Butterfield PTA \* DuPage East Region  
**Anisha Campbell** \* Intermediate \* **Hope is Always There** \* Peterson PTA \* DuPage West Region  
**Eva Tamhane** \* Middle School \* **Tomorrow** \* Mead Jr High School PTA \* Northwest Cook Region  
**Aruna Nagabhushan** \* High School \* **Where Words Fail, Music Heals** \* Neuqua Valley PTSA \* DuPage West Region  
**Parker Lewis** \* Special Artist \* **Parker's Song** \* Lorena Avenue PTA \* Southern Region

### State Award of Artistic Distinction – Music

**Kavel Gupta** \* Intermediate \* **A Hopeful Future** \* Campanelli PTA \* Northwest Cook Region  
**Nithin Srinivasan** \* Intermediate \* **Hope is the Light** \* Patterson PTA \* DuPage West Region

### State Honorable Mention – Music

**Jack Friedland** \* Primary \* **I Like My Friends** \* Wiesbrook PTA \* DuPage West Region  
**Mishka Pattanayak** \* Intermediate \* **You and Me** \* White Eagle PTA \* DuPage West Region  
**Joe Scapillato** \* Intermediate \* **New Era** \* Patton PTA \* Northwest Cook Region  
**Renaisha Chikhalia** \* Middle School \* **Bright Future** \* MacArthur PTA \* Northwest Cook Region  
**Alicia Mathew** \* High School \* **Cuando Veo el Sol** \* Metea Valley PTSA \* DuPage West Region

### Advanced to the National Level – Photography

**Carlie Kanas** \* Primary \* **Fly to Your Dreams** \* Kimball Hill PTA \* Northwest Cook Region  
**George Synowiec** \* Intermediate \* **Where Hope Grows** \* Collins PTA \* Northwest Cook Region  
**Christine Li** \* Middle School \* **The Future** \* Plum Grove PTSA \* Northwest Cook Region  
**Isabel Juarez** \* High School \* **El Sonido de Las Estrellas (Sound of the Stars)** \* Oak Lawn High School PTSA \* South Suburban Cook Region  
**Nathan Jakobi** \* Special Artist \* **My Charlotte** \* Hale PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

### State Award of Artistic Distinction – Photography

**Aarya Sobti** \* Middle School \* **Rays of Hope** \* Gregory PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Shauni Jacobs** \* High School \* **Forever at My Feet** \* Oak Lawn High School PTSA \* South Suburban Cook Region

### State Honorable Mention – Photography

**Lydia Onken** \* Primary \* **A Little Hand Full Of Hope** \* Lester PTA \* DuPage East Region

**Lena Huntington** \* Intermediate \* **Hope for the Trees** \* Graham PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Uma Kumar** \* Intermediate \* **Growing With Hopefulness** \* Campanelli PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

**Abigail Olson** \* Intermediate \* **Hope Offshore** \* Lincoln PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Isabella Spencer** \* Intermediate \* **Hope** \* Coolidge Elementary PTA \* South Suburban Cook Region

**Maggie Wilkins** \* Intermediate \* **The Desert Tree** \* Lincoln PTA \* DuPage West Region

**William Feinsot** \* Middle School \* **Flower on Rock** \* Edison Middle School PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Henry Muranaka** \* Middle School \* **Choosing a Great Day** \* Dooley PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

**Aidan Bunce** \* High School \* **The Leaves of Love** \* Oak Lawn High School PTSA \* South Suburban Cook Region

**Lily Hansen** \* High School \* **Petals of Hope** \* Oak Lawn High School PTSA \* South Suburban Cook Region

### Advanced to the National Level – Visual Arts

**Lisette Arriaga-Perez** \* Primary \* **Our Home** \* Puffer-Hefty PTA \* DuPage East Region

**Yeonwoo Choi** \* Intermediate \* **When We Are Together** \* Spring Brook PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Sadie Steffes** \* Middle School \* **clear skies** \* Herrick Middle School PTA \* DuPage East Region

**Sara Bansal** \* High School \* **A Touch of Hope** \* Waubonsie Valley High School PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Luca Tucci** \* Special Artist \* **Dukebot** \* Ardmore PTA \* DuPage East Region

### State Award of Artistic Distinction – Visual Arts

**Ivy Gibson** \* Primary \* **The Flower** \* Maercker District 60 PTA \* DuPage East Region

**Gianna Guerrero** \* Intermediate \* **Untitled** \* Hale PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

**Emily Swiecki** \* Middle School \* **The Colorful Light That Shines On Me** \* Eisenhower PTA \* DuPage East Region

### State Honorable Mention – Visual Arts

**Jesus Aguilera** \* Primary \* **... I have Toys, Food, & a House** \* Posen-Gordon PTA \* South Suburban Cook Region

**Mila Rusin** \* Primary \* **we are all different** \* Emerson PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Heather Campbell** \* Intermediate \* **Colorful Crowd** \* Lincoln PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Vaishnavi Damera** \* Intermediate \* **A compassionate world** \* Peterson PTA \* DuPage West Region

**Mishka Patra** \* Intermediate \* **Garden of Hope** \* Campanelli PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

**Madison Brownlow** \* Middle School \* **Hopeful for Change** \* Culver School PTA \* West Suburban Cook Region

**Ismah Farooqui** \* Middle School \* **Hope is Patience with the lamp lit** \* Keller PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

**Henry Muranaka** \* Middle School \* **Broken is Beautiful** \* Dooley PTA \* Northwest Cook Region

**Kaely Bogart** \* Special Artist \* **hopeful words** \* Glenn Westlake PTSA \* DuPage East Region

**Makayla Conard** \* Special Artist \* **Kindness** \* Delay-Lace PTA \* DuPage East Region

