



**CALLING THE
CREATORS OF TOMORROW**

**im ACCEPTING
PERFECTION**

Reflections 2024-2025 School Year

Artwork Submission Deadline

October 14th, 2024



NATIONAL PTA® REFLECTIONS®

2024-2025

Reflections Theme

Congratulations to Paige Opaska,
an 8th grader from Barbara Bush
Middle School PTA in San Antonio,
Texas, for her winning theme,
"Accepting Imperfection."



Paige described her theme in this way: *"Accepting Imperfection' is a reminder to myself that mistakes are welcome because they are a part of being human. Our flaws are as much a part of us as our strengths, so being imperfect should be perfect enough for us."*



-<https://ptaourchildren.org>





Reflections is a PTA program

If you are a member of the PTSA, your child is eligible to participate in the [Reflections Program!](#)

If you are not yet a member* you just need to join BEFORE **10/14/24** and you can join [HERE!](#)

Grade Divisions: Students may enter the Reflections® program in the appropriate division for their grade :

- Middle School: 6th-8th
- Accessible Arts (All grades welcome)

You are only limited by your own imagination

There are 7 categories that your child may submit art to:

Links to the rules are to the right of each category title



Visual Arts (rules: [eng](#) / [span](#))



Photography (rules: [eng](#) / [span](#))



Music Composition (rules: [eng](#) / [span](#))



Literature (rules: [eng](#) / [span](#))



Dance Choreography (rules: [eng](#) / [span](#))



Film Production (rules: [eng](#) / [span](#))



Accessible Arts (rules: [eng](#) / [span](#))



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What to do next you ask?



1. Reflect on the Theme.
2. Create an original work under your desired category.
3. Submit the artwork with the **entry** form.
4. Be recognized!

But what would this even look like?

Reflections examples of work



Visual Arts - Intermediate



Title: Happy Earth! Happy us!

Artist statement:

I am hopeful because even though global warming is happening to these days there are still many ways such as solar energy, wind energy to resolve global warming problem. I drew this picture to make people aware of the seriousness of global warming and to get more people to pay attention.

But what would this even look like?

Reflections examples of work



Visual Arts - Primary



Title: Color of Hope

Artist statement:

I am hopeful because I can paint my world! I paint my world with color of love, happiness, kindness and courage. I believe we can change the world into a better place.

But what would this even look like?

Reflections examples of work



Music Composition - Intermediate



Title: [The Redbird Sings](#) (Please click to listen to the music)

Artist statement:

I am hopeful because people that die always stay with us. Those we lose are never really lost. They stay in our hearts. We will see them again. A red bird always reminds me of my Granny. I used the names of hymns from church that my Granny loved in my lyrics.

But what would this even look like?

Reflections examples of work



Music Composition - Primary



Title: [I Have Hope](#) (Please click to listen to the music)

Artist statement:

I have hope because I believe in Jesus. He is my Savior and saved me from my sins. When I play this song it makes me feel like I am praying to Jesus. I am thankful that Jesus give me hope.

But what would this even look like?

Reflections examples of work



Film Production - Intermediate



Title: What are you hopeful for?
Starring My friend Bondie

Artist statement:

I made a video with my cute puppet, Bondie, where I asked kids from my school what they are hopeful for. It's super fun and shows all the stuff we dream about. We want to make everyone feel happy and excited about the future. So, watch our video and see how kids like us have big hopes and dreams!

But what would this even look like?

Reflections examples of work



Film Production - Primary



Title: Together we can do

Artist statement:

I am hopeful because, together we can make the world a great place.

But what would this even look like?

Reflections examples of work



Dance Choreography - Intermediate



Title: Hopeful Waters

Artist statement:

My piece relates to the theme "I am hopeful" because the movements I use and the passion I have matches the passion in this song. In the song "Part of Your World" Ariel was hopeful to go to shore. This is why my piece relates to the theme, "I am Hopeful".

But what would this even look like?

Reflections examples of work



Literature - Intermediate

I AM HOPEFUL BECAUSE...

I HAVE LIFE!

I am hopeful because I have life. Where there is life, there is time and therefore a journey to find hope. The gift of life births in us a renewed sense of hope for another day, hope for a new adventure, hope for a change in perspective, and hope for a different outcome.

There is a measure of hope within each of us that needs to be recognized, activated, and nurtured to grow, so we can certainly walk out a life full of hope, therefore Hopeful. As I eagerly step outside during the scorching summer heat in Texas, for a fun play time outdoors, my body automatically hopes for a nice cool breeze and of course some ice cream.

Similarly, when I hear and watch experiences of school shootings and countries at war all around us, I desperately hope for safety and peace in our world again. More importantly, I am grateful for life and safety in my school. And every day, I am hopeful that I will come home safely.

I am hopeful because I believe. When belief becomes my guiding light in my day to day, nothing will be impossible.

I am hopeful because I am optimistic. With optimism, I can rest knowing I am exactly where I am supposed to be at this moment. And I can confidently choose the right path for my future.

I am hopeful because I have faith. I have faith that bet on myself and still trusts in the good of others. Faith that remains hopeful.

I am hopeful because, like our great Nation, In God I Trust!

A God who ultimately gives life. I am hopeful because I have Life!

To continue reading,
please pause the video.

Title: [I have life!](#)

Artist statement:

I am hopeful because I have life. Life is everything! To have life means you are not dead. You have breath to live another day, to believe for something different, and to open yourself up for endless possibilities filled with hope. Hope that is optimistic about the future that better things are always ahead. Hope that encourages you to keep on going and carries you through challenging days and situations. Hope that strengthens faith in oneself and in others. Hope is essential for life. Hope ultimately trusts in God who gives life!

But what would this even look like?

Reflections examples of work



Photography - primary



Title: Safe Family

Artist statement:

I am hopeful because my family always makes me feel safe. I took this photo when my family visited Nice, France. We love to go on adventures as a family. In the photo my dad and sister are walking in front of me when we were exploring the city. You can see that my dad is looking back at me to make sure that I am safe and happy. When I am with my family, I always feel safe - especially on adventures. That is why it is one of my favorite pictures. I think it is cool and nice. Yay!

But what would this even look like?

Reflections examples of work



Accessible Arts - Dance



Title: Fight for Right

Artist statement:

I feel hopeful because I have empowering moms. We need to fight for what is right.

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For more information and to download an application visit the Reflections page on the Lovinggood PTSA Website

<https://lovinggoodptsa.org/reflections.html>

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We can't wait to see your ART!!!!