

Jefferson Middle School PTA

Final Report

School Year: 2013–2014

Committee/Activity: PTA Reflections Contest/Arts in Education

Chairperson: Stephanie Schulte–Albert

Job Description: Coordinate the PTA Reflections Art Contest for JMS.

What we did/ accomplished: Liaison with Council chair & became knowledgeable of the Reflections theme for the year and rules for entry. Set JMS contest entry deadline, advertised Reflections contest (PTA eblast, Flyers, morning announcements) & collected JMS student entries for the National PTA Art Contest. Made sure entry forms were correctly filled out and entries within guidelines as prescribed by rules. Judged at Local “school” level and sent top 3 winning entries from each art area on to Council by deadline. Kept students notified of their entry’s progress throughout the contest – from Local level through Council, Region, State & National Levels. Returned entries and all awards earned to students.

When the job started: August 2013

When the job finished: November 2013 (Sporadically work though out the remainder of school year contacting students depending on how far their entries go & return entries/awards by end of school year)

Monies used/needed /Profit: \$50 to purchase manila envelopes/ blank CD’s/make paper copies of entry forms & rules/ certificates and ribbons for winners/participants.

Suggestions for next year: Historically few entries > 15. Have tried to approach teachers to add as extra credit, etc. with no success. Students are pretty busy in MS in Fall with sports, etc. Make sure to advertise next year’s theme before school out for summer so students can work on over summer.

Other comments (committees, number of people needed, etc.): Contact at Council Level extremely helpful in education of chairperson with change in rules, etc. Also, sets their deadlines. Mrs. Wilkinson in the JMS Guidance Office has always been extremely helpful with this event. She is the point person within the office who has paper copies of entry forms available and collects the student entries for Chairperson.

Chairperson will need to have judges from each of the 6 art areas to judge JMS students' entries. Not all judges may be used if there are no entries for their art specialty. Judging should be kept blind and judges should not be associated with the school or students. Identity of judges should be kept confidential. Make sure to send Thank You notes to judges!

Miscellaneous Notes: www.papta.org/reflections

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