

TO: PTA/PTSA Presidents, Principals, Reflection Chairmen, English Teachers,
Art Teachers, Music Teachers, P.E./Dance Teachers, and Technology
Teachers

FROM: Cherie Dimar, President
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15th District PTA

RE: Reflections Program

DATE: August 18, 2011

This is a National PTA arts in education program. Its purpose is to provide all children and youth with an opportunity to experience the self-fulfillment of creative expression through the arts. The primary goal of Reflections is for all children and youth to have the opportunity to participate. Although it is a program with recognition and awards at the local, district, state and national levels, the importance of participation should be emphasized over winning.

Enclosed with this letter, is a packet of information on Reflections and how to conduct the program in your school. The rules, official entry form, parent consent form, local unit participation form and theme search entry form are also enclosed. All entries submitted for the program must have a title, which relates to the theme and must have the title stated on the entry blank. Every entry piece must have an entry form attached (see rules). Schools are encouraged to submit **one entry for each grade in each category**. (See the enclosed sheet to be filled out for that purpose.) Students may submit entries in the areas of music, photography, visual arts, literature, dance choreography, and film/video production. **PLEASE NOTE: Every entry must have a consent form signed by all parents in which there is a student involved. Example: If an entry has several students in a photograph, dance, and/or film, each student's parent must sign a consent form. No entry can be sent on to state without these consent forms. Also, please read instructions carefully about the student entry form, electronic copy of artist statement on a CD, and packing information.**

Each year there is a different theme for the program. For the 2011-2012 school year, the theme is "Diversity Means..." We will be judging all our district entries by the criteria listed in the Kentucky PTA Reflections rules.

The deadline date for all entries to be sent thru the pony or delivered in person to the 15th District PTA is **October 20, 2011** at 15th District PTA office, **319 South 15th Street**. **DO NOT MAIL**. (Our mailbox does not accommodate large packages.)

We will be having a celebration for the winners on December 6, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at Durrett Education Center in the Sallie Durrett Auditorium. Notification of the winners will be sent to the PTAs, principals, teachers, parents, and winners as soon as they are judged.

If you need additional information, please contact Sharon Whitworth, 15th District PTA Special Projects Chairman for the Reflections Program at 485-7450 or Cherie Dimar at 485-3535.

We look forward to working with you on this outstanding program.

