



Ridgecrest Elementary

Parent Teacher Association

November 2020

Happy November, Ridgecrest Rams! Please check this issue of our PTA Newsletter for information about our Mod Pizza Fundraiser, next General Meeting, Reflections submission instructions, and information on our annual Holiday Food and Gift Drive.

For the most up-to-date information, regularly check our website at:
www.RidgecrestPTA.org

Join Us!

PTA General Meeting

November 18th at 6:30pm

ZOOM

Meeting ID: 818 1398 9014

Password: RCRams

NEW! Fundraising

MOD Pizza

Take-Out and Delivery Fundraiser!

Sunday November 8, 2020

10:30am-10:00pm

17171 Bothell Way NE Suite A004
Lake Forest Park, WA

Donating Back: 20%

Commit to eat at:

<https://www.groupraise.com/events/166163>



MESSAGES

now

MOD Pizza Fundraiser for Ridgecrest PTA

Craving for some pizza? We got you covered.

Sun Nov 8 Lake Forest Park MOD Pizza

Use code GR166163R when placing order



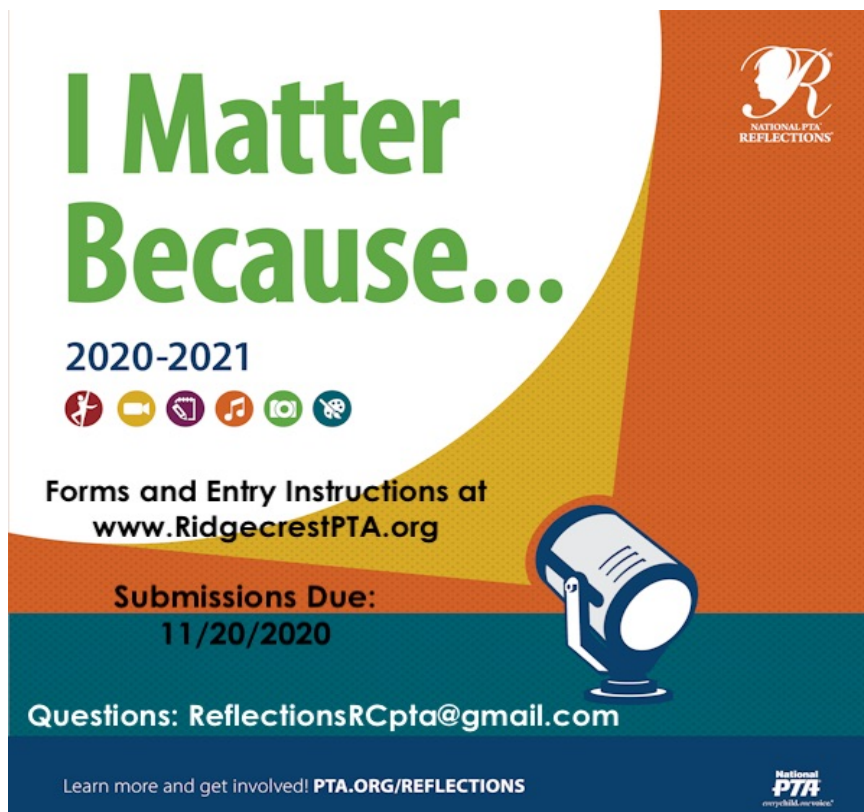
Facebook PTA page: Ridgecrest PTA

Facebook Family Resources page: Ridgecrest
Parent Resources

Instagram: RCRamsPTA

Twitter: RCRamsPTA

Reflections Entries due 11/20



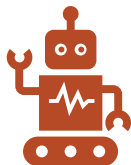
National PTA's **Reflections** program provides opportunities for recognition and access to the arts which boost student confidence and success in the arts and in life.

Each year, over 300,000 students in Pre-K through Grade 12 create original works of art in response to a student-selected theme. This 50+ year-old program helps them explore their own thoughts, feelings and ideas, develop artistic literacy, increase confidence and find a love for learning that will help them become more successful in school and in life.

The theme for the 2020-2021 program year is *I Matter Because....* Students submit their completed works of art in one or all of the available arts categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts.

To submit an entry, please email the entry form found at the end of this newsletter to ReflectionsRCpta@gmail.com or see our website (www.ridgecrestPTA.org) for submission via Google Drive. For other accommodations and directions on how to submit 3-D pieces, please contact Josh and Brandi at ReflectionsRCpta@gmail.com.

Ridgecrest art work will be judged the week of Thanksgiving. We look forward to celebrating all of our artists!



Shoreline PTA Council Holiday Baskets

DONATION DRIVE

FOR HOLIDAY FOOD & GIFTS

Open now through November 30, 2020



Ensure every family has holiday food & gifts

Your donation will fund holiday food and gift support for Shoreline School District families. Due to COVID-19, we cannot accept food and toys.

GIVE TODAY!

RidgecrestPTA.org/HB

Each \$25 donation will provide a gift for a child



Gift card donations also welcome

\$25 value preferred. Most needed:

- Fred Meyer
- Amazon
- Safeway
- QFC
- Target
- Amazon
- Old Navy/Gap
- Walmart
- Game Stop
- H&M

Drop off gift cards at THE WORKS
(use lock box on the north side of the
Shoreline Center at 18560 1st Ave NE)

Or to arrange pickup, email
HolidayBaskets@shorelinepta.org



Questions? Contact HolidayBaskets@shorelinepta.org

Fundraising

Due to COVID-19 financial impacts on our community, we chose to **not** hold a fall fundraiser this year. We received generous donations from our community and a successful online auction in the spring, and we are able to take a passive fundraising approach for the next few months. We plan to hold a virtual Readathon in the winter, and more events may be announced as we re-assess what our financial needs are for this year.

Donations are welcome and always appreciated! You may donate on our website:

<https://ridgecrestpta.org/donate/>

Please also consider support Ridgecrest in the following EASY ways:



Boxtops has become even easier to utilize. Now we no longer have to physically collect box tops, instead there is an app available for all types of phones that will allow receipts to be scanned in and applied to the school instead. Once you download the app, all you have to do is scan your receipt and it will apply any box tops to Ridgecrest Elementary. Twice a year the school will receive a check for all scanned box tops. It's super straight forward and easy to utilize.

Visit → **boxtops4education.com**

You're earning for:
**RIDGECREST
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Your school's lifetime earnings:

\$17,787

Your school's earnings so far this year:

\$21.00

amazonsmile
You shop. Amazon gives.

Since we're all stuck at home I am sure we have been utilizing Amazon a lot more than usual. Did you know that Ridgecrest has an Amazon Smile donation site? Any purchase that you do while using Amazon smile, sends a small portion to the Ridgecrest PTA. We can then use that money to fund more programs for the school. It's a win/win since the price of the items is still the same.

smile.amazon.com

Charity name: Ridgecrest Elementary School P T A6 12 60



Ridgecrest Spiritwear store is **OPEN:**

www.ridgecrestspiritwear.com

This is where you can buy Ridgecrest Rams gear, to outfit both you and your family with school spirit. Also, they have facemasks for sale, which might make great gifts for grandparents!



Sign up for the Community Rewards program by linking your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to Ridgecrest at

www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards

You can search for us by our name or by our non-profit number 91000.

For questions about fundraising, contact Jon at RCptaFundraising@gmail.com



Entry Form

How to Enter

Use the arts to share your personal Reflections on this year's theme: _____

Submissions are due to _____ by _____.

Experienced artists will review your work for interpretation of theme, creativity and technique. We look forward to celebrating your artistry and achievement in the arts! Save the date for this year's Reflections Celebration _____.

Dance Choreography

Solo and ensemble works of all dance styles are accepted. Entrant must be the choreographer and may also be the performer, or one of the performers. If background music is used, cite it on the entry form. **Video file must not exceed 5 minutes** in length and 1,000 MB (1,000 megabyte) in file size and be in MP4 or AVI format.

Film Production

Accepted short film styles include: Animation, narrative, documentary, experimental or media presentation. Use of PowerPoint is prohibited. Entrant must be the screenwriter, cinematographer, editor and producer. If background music is used, cite it on the entry form. **Video file must not exceed 5 minutes** in length and 1,000 MB (1,000 megabyte) in file size and be in MP4 or AVI format.

Literature

Accepted forms of fiction and nonfiction include: Prose, poetry, reflective essay, screen play and play script, narrative, and short story. Entrants may write in their primary language as long as an interpretive English translation is also attached. Use of copyrighted material is prohibited. **Writing must not exceed 2,000 words** and may be handwritten or typed. Accepted formats: Single-sided print on 8 ½x11" paper, PDF file.

Music Composition

All music styles and combinations of instrumentation are accepted. Entrant must be the composer and may also be the performer, or one of the performers. Use of copyrighted material is prohibited. **Audio recording must not exceed 5 minutes** in length and 1,000 MB (1,000 megabyte) in file size. Accepted audio file formats include: MP3 and WAV. Notation (score/tablature) in PDF format is only required for middle and high school divisions.

Photography

Photo must be a single print/digital image. Collages and collections of photos are not accepted. Entrant must be the photographer and may use a variety of digital editing techniques including but not limited to, multiple exposure, negative sandwich and photogram. Use of copyrighted material is prohibited. **Print image dimensions must be no smaller than 3x5 inches and no larger than 8x10 inches.** Accepted print formats: Mounted on mat or poster board no larger than 11x14 inches. Framed prints are not accepted. **Digital image dimensions must be at least 640x960 (pixels) and 300 dpi (resolution).** Accepted file formats: JPEG, JPG, and PNG.

Visual Arts

Works of both fine and design arts are accepted, including but not limited to: architectural drawing and models, ceramics, collage, computer generated images and graphics, crafts, drawing, fashion clothes and jewelry, fiber work, mixed media, painting, printmaking and sculpture. Use of copyrighted material is prohibited. **2D artworks must be mounted on sturdy material and no larger than 24x30 inches with matting.** Framed entries are not accepted. Include one digital image of artwork with your submission. **3D artwork submissions must contain 3 digital images of artwork at different angles.** Image(s) are used for artwork identification, judging and exhibition purposes. Accepted file formats: JPEG, JPG, and PNG.

Special Artist

Students who identify as having a disability and may receive services under IDEA or ADA: Section 504 may enter in the Special Artist Division **OR** grade division most closely aligned to their functional abilities. **See Official Rules for details.**



Entry Form

Official Rules

By submitting an artwork to the "National PTA Reflections Program," entrants accept and agree to be bound by the official rules for participation as well as the entry requirements for their specific arts category and division. Additional state program requirements may apply. Any violation of these rules may, at PTA's discretion, result in disqualification. All decisions of the reviewers regarding this program are final and binding in all respects. (The "PTA" referred to in these rules include all PTAs reviewing the submission).

1. **ELIGIBILITY.** Students must participate through a local PTA/PTSA. Each student's eligibility is determined by the state and local PTA/PTSA. A student may develop an entry inside or outside of school.
2. **ARTS CATEGORIES.** There are six arts categories—dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography and visual arts. Students may enter the National PTA Reflections Program in one or more arts categories. See each arts category rules for additional entry requirements.
3. **GRADE DIVISIONS.** Students may enter in the appropriate division for their grade (Primary: Preschool-Grade 2; Intermediate: Grades 3-5; Middle School: Grades 6-8; High School: Grades 9-12; Special Artist: All grades welcome).

The Special Artist Division welcomes students from all grades and abilities and offers non-artistic accommodations (e.g. adaptive technology; transcribing; holding a camera) for students to participate fully in PTA Reflections. Assistants must refrain from being involved in the artistic process (e.g. developing an artist statement, choreography, music lyrics, storyboards, etc.) Student recognition and awards are announced as part of the Special Artist Division.
4. **HOW TO ENTER.** Entrants must submit their artwork and student entry form to their local PTA/PTSA program according to local and state PTA procedures. Entrants must follow requirements and instructions specific to each arts category and division. Contact local PTA programs for deadlines and additional information.
5. **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS.** (All participants must also follow arts category and if applicable, Special Artist Division rules)
 - Only new pieces of artwork inspired by the current year's theme may be submitted.
 - Each entry must be the original work of one student only. An adult may not alter the creative integrity of a student's work. Because the program is designed to encourage and recognize each student's individual creativity, help from an adult or collaboration with other students is not allowed except in the Special Artist Division. Other individuals may appear in or perform a student's work, but the work itself must be the creative product of one student only. Only one student may be recognized as the award recipient for each entry. See the specific arts category rules and special artist division rules for details.
 - Each entry must contain a title and all entries must include an artist statement. The artist statement communicates what inspired the work, how it relates to the theme, and the content of the work. The statement must include at least 10 words and not exceed 100 words.
 - Use of copyrighted material is prohibited, except for background music in dance choreography and film production entries. If used in dance choreography and film production entries, background music must be cited on the entry form. Plagiarized entries will be disqualified. Use of PowerPoint templates are prohibited.
6. **FINALIST SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION.** Entries are reviewed at local, regional, state and national levels. Each PTA determines its own reviewers for the program. Entries will be reviewed primarily on how well the student uses their artistic vision to portray the theme, their originality and creativity. The National PTA Reflections® program makes no restrictions on content or subject matter in artwork submitted by the local, regional or state levels. National PTA reserves the right to use its sole discretion in selecting the submissions to be recognized at the national level. Under no condition may parents or students contact a reviewer to dispute the status/score of any entry. Each PTA in its sole discretion will select finalists for exhibition and provide awards/prizes. Awards are announced per local and state procedures. National awards and events are announced May 1, 2021 at PTA.org/Reflections.
7. **OWNERSHIP AND LICENSE.** Ownership in any submission shall remain the property of the entrant, but entry into this program constitutes entrant's irrevocable permission and consent that PTA may display, copy, reproduce, enhance, print, sublicense, publish, distribute and create derivative works for PTA purposes. PTA is not responsible for lost or damaged entries. Submission of entry into the PTA Reflections program constitutes acceptance of all rules and conditions.
8. **PARTICIPATING ENTITIES.** This program is administered by the National Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and PTA affiliates. Parent groups not affiliated with National PTA are not eligible to sponsor this program.



Entry Form

To be completed by PTA before distribution.

Local PTA _____ Local PTA ID _____

Local Program Chair _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Council PTA _____ District PTA _____ Region PTA _____ State PTA _____

Member Dues Paid Date _____ Insurance Paid Date _____ Bylaws Approval Date _____

Student Name _____ Grade _____ Age _____ Classroom _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Student Signature _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Grade Division (Check One)

- ☐ Primary (Pre-K-Grade 2)
- ☐ Intermediate (Grades 3-5)
- ☐ Middle School (Grades 6-8)
- ☐ High School (Grades 9-12)
- ☐ Special Artist (All Grades)

Arts Category (Check One)

- ☐ Dance Choreography
- ☐ Film Production
- ☐ Literature
- ☐ Music Composition
- ☐ Photography
- ☐ Visual Arts

Title of Work _____ Details _____

If background music is used in dance/film, citation is required. Include word count for literature. List musician(s) or instrumentation for music. List dimensions for photography/visual arts.

Artist Statement (In 10 to 100 words, describe your work and how it relates to the theme)