

**Capistrano Unified Council of PTSA's**  
**2007-2008 Reflections Program - "I can make a difference by..."**  
**Check List**

**Entry Deadline:** All entries are due at our Council meeting on **Thursday, October 25 2007.**  
Reflections Chairs will select a set time to turn in their portfolios at the CUSD District Office.

**Number of Entries forwarded:** **There is a limit of one entry per category and grade division.**

**Categories:** Photography, Musical Composition, Literature, Visual arts,  
Dance Choreography and Film/Video Production

**Grade Divisions:** Primary – Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
Intermediate- Grades 3 through 5  
Middle- Grades 6-8  
Senior- Grades 9-12

- Elementary Schools will submit 12 entries. (2 Grade divisions)**
- K-8 Schools can submit 18 entries. (3 Grade divisions)**
- Middle and High Schools will submit 6 entries. (1 Grade division)**

**Portfolios:** All entries will be submitted in a portfolio large enough to properly protect all entries being submitted. Please clearly label the portfolio with the school name and Reflections Chair. Three copies of a completed **Reflections Form A** must be attached to the front of the portfolio in a page protector or found inside the portfolio. I have attached a copy of the Reflections Form A. Please no large Zip Lock bags. A portfolio is a legitimate PTA expense

**Official Entry Form:** the Official Entry Form must accompany each entry. **Each entry must be the work of one student.** It must be complete and signed by both the student and parent. Please make sure your school's information is included on the bottom of the form. Remember to "unfold" all the entry forms before submitting them to the council.

**Entry Size And Submission Requirements:** Please make sure all entries meet the requirement for each category. A brief summary for each category is listed on the next page. Please refer to the official entries rules packet for more details.

**Judging :** All entries are judged on Artistic merit, creativity and interpretation of the theme. I have attached the form we will be using at the Council level. Please feel free to change the top of the form to your school PTA. You will also need to make a copy with the correct category for each entry you received.

**Council Reflections Art Reception:** This event is scheduled for Thursday November 15 from 5-8 PM at Las Flores Middle School. Your PTA president will receive an invitation for each student who's entry was forwarded to the Council for further judging consideration. The invitations will be handed out when you turn in your entries. **It's your responsibility to make sure these students receive this invitation.** All entries that were submitted to the council will be on display and the judging results will be announced in the program. It's a special night for all students involved, they are all "winners". We will be awarding one Award of Excellence, three or four Awards of Merit and Honorable Mentions in each Category and Grade division. These awards will be noted on the entries, we will not be making any announcements during this event. Any individual recognition should be done at your school. Each student will receive a certificate of participation from the Council acknowledging his or her accomplishment. **We could use your help the day of the event, Please let us know if you are available.**

## Entry Presentation and Submission Requirements

### Literature:

Entries must not exceed 2,000 words and can be submitted on any kind of paper, not to exceed 8 ½ x 11 inches in size. Please submit the original and one copy in a manila file folder with the Official Entry form stapled to the back of the folder.

### Musical Composition:

Entries may not exceed five minutes. Students in the Middle/Junior and Senior age categories must include notation. **Score size should be no larger than 11x14 inches.** Band and orchestra scores may be 11 x 16 inches because they include more than one instrument. All grade divisions must submit an audiocassette or CD recording in a plastic or cardboard container clearly labeled with the student's name, grade division, school, state and year. Pack the audiocassette or CD with the score (if required) in a clasp envelope with the Official entry form secured to the front with masking tape. You may also use a page protector.

### Photography:

**A single print or collage may not exceed 11x14 inches including a mat.** Mount all prints on a cardboard mat, poster board or some other sturdy material. Protecting the work with shrink-wrap or transparent plastic cover is recommended. Place the Official Entry Form in a sheet protector and tape it to the back of the photograph with masking tape on top of the protective covering.

### Visual Arts:

Entries must be an original print, drawing, painting, collage, photographic collage, metal etching or punch work, fiber work or computer-generated artwork that relates to the theme. All artwork must be flat and may not be more than 3/8 inch thick, including any framing. **No artwork may exceed 24 inches by 30 including a mat.** Mount all paper or canvas entries on sturdy **cardboard** mats, but not in wooden, metal, plastic or glass frames. You may use a transparent protective covering to protect the art. Place the Official Entry form in a sheet protector to the back of the artwork on top of any protective covering.

### Dance Choreography:

Entries must be original choreographed dance composition works recorded on a VHS videotape or DVD. **Entries may not exceed 5 minutes.** There may be up to three dancers performing. The choreographer may be the performer, but does not have to be. If costumes are used, the choreographer must also create or design the costumes. The costumes are not included in the judging, the entry should be judged on how well the student uses his or her artistic vision to portray the theme. The title, composer and performer of any background music must be credited and documented on the Official Entry Form. All grade divisions must submit the entry in a plastic or cardboard container clearly labeled with the

### Film/Video production Rules:

Entries must be original works of fiction or nonfiction relating to theme. The entries may be with or without sound. **The student submitting the entry must be the director, screenwriter and cameraperson.** If using a computer the student must do all the work. There are four categories: Animation, Narrative, Documentary, Experimental and Media Presentations using Computers. The title, composer and performer of any background music must be credited and documented on the Official Entry form. Entries may not exceed 5 minutes and must be submitted on a videotape, DVD or computer disk for presentation. Place the entry in a plastic or cardboard container clearly labeled with the student's name, grade division, school, state and year. Pack the Videotape, DVD or computer disk in a clasp envelope with the Official Entry form secured to the front with masking tape. You may also use a page protector.