# **Theme Search Judging Instructions**

#### The search is on for a future National PTA Reflections program theme!

One child's theme search submission will be chosen to inspire the creativity and imagination of thousands of students across the country and in U.S. schools overseas.

Only **five** state finalists will be chosen to advance to the national round and one national winner will be selected in February. The winner's theme will be used the year after next (i.e., the theme is chosen two years in advance).

#### Use the considerations and scale below to score each theme submission. Please send your scores to Free State PTA at info@fspta.org by 3 November 2023.

#### **Considerations:**

- Theme is **unique**, inspiring and unlike past program themes.
- Theme is **focused** without being too narrow or too broad.
- Theme is **clear**, concise and appropriate for all grade levels.
- Theme is **applicable** to all arts categories.
- Theme promotes PTA values.
- Theme is relevant in 2 years.
- Past themes and duplicate entries are not considered.

#### Score Range:

- 10 pts Exceptional Theme
- 8 pts Strong Theme
- 6 pts Appropriate Theme
- 4 pts Weak/Basic Theme
- 2 pts Less Appropriate Theme
- 0 pts Disqualified



## **Theme Search Entry Form**

### The search is on for a future Reflections theme!

National PTA's Reflections program has helped students 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.

Each year, over 300,000 students in Pre-K through Grade 12 create original works of art in response to a student-selected theme. In response to this theme, students create works of art in one or all the available arts categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts.

Help us pick the theme idea that will spark fun and creativity during the 2022—2023 Reflections program! The student who submits the winning entry will receive \$100 prize from National PTA.

Past themes and duplicate submissions are not considered. This means we're looking for the most original theme ideas.

To participate, complete this form and submit to Free State PTA at info@fspta.org by November 3, 2023.

Theme Idea:				
Student Name			Grade	
Address				
			ZIP	
Parent/Guardian Pho	ne	Email		
Student Signature	Parent/Guardian Signature			
	This box is to be completed by PTA	A before distribution		
PTA LEADER NAME	EMAIL		_ PHONE	
PTA ID	_ PTA NAME		STATE	
COUNCIL PTA	DISTRICT PTA	REGION PTA	REGION PTA	
MEMBER DUES PAID DATE	INSURANCE PAID DATE	BYLAWS API	BYLAWS APPROVAL DATE	



## **Past Program Themes**

1969-1970 Reflections: Children and Youth, Mirror Their World 1970-1971 Reflections: Children and Youth, Look to Tomorrow 1971-1972 Reflections: America, The Beautiful, The Ugly 1972-1973 Reflections: This is Our Country 1973-1974 From Sea to Shining Sea 1974-1975 Our Heritage—Our Hopes 1975-1976 Spirit of '76-Miracle of America 1976-1977 What the World Needs Now 1977-1978 Love Is... 1978-1979 Look Out Your Window 1979-1980 Behind the Gates of Tomorrow 1980-1981 What a Family Means to Me 1981-1982 What Makes Me Smile 1982-1983 Life in These United States 1983-1984 | Have a Dream 1984-1985 What Sparks My Imagination 1985-1986 From Liberty's View 1986-1987 In Celebration: A Past to Remember, a Future to Mold 1987-1988 Wonders of the World 1988-1989 Proud Experiences 1989-1990 Where Does the Sky End? 1990-1991 If I Had a Wish 1991-1992 Exploring New Beginnings 1992-1993 Imagine That 1993-1994 If I Could Give the World a Gift 1994-1995 Dare to Discover 1995-1996 Just Open Your Eyes and See

1996-1997 It Could Happen 1997-1998 Wouldn't It Be Great If ... 1998-1999 Suddenly You Turn Around And... 1999-2000 Anything is Possible... 2000-2001 It Would be Really Strange If ... 2001-2002 I Hold in My Hand ... 2002-2003 Signs of Courage 2003-2004 I Am Really Happy When... 2004-2005 A Different Kind of Hero 2005-2006 I Wonder Why ... 2006-2007 My Favorite Place 2007-2008 I Can Make a Difference By... 2008-2009 Wow! 2009-2010 Beauty Is ... 2010-2011 Together We Can... 2011-2012 Diversity Means... 2012-2013 The Magic of a Moment... 2013-2014 Believe, Dream, Inspire 2014-2015 The World Would Be a Better Place If 2015-2016 Let Your Imagination Fly 2016-2017 What Is Your Story? 2017-2018 Within Reach 2018-2019 Heroes Around Me 2019-2020 Look Within 2020-2021 | Matter Because... 2021-2022 I Will Change the World By... 2022-2023 Show Your Voice! 2023-2024 I Am Hopeful Because... 2024-2025 Accepting Imperfection

