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***All participants must also follow General Rules for Participation.***

***A completed student entry form is required for each art piece submitted. Students selected to advance to the next level will be asked to complete a required online student entry form for tracking purposes.***

**Literature Description:**

Literature entries may be a work of fiction or nonfiction. Prose, poetry, and drama are all accepted. The entry must relate to the current National PTA Reflections<sup>®</sup> Program theme. Whether an entry uses a variety of techniques or a simple approach, it will be judged primarily on how well the student uses his or her artistic vision to portray the theme.

**Presentation:**

- Entries must not exceed 2,000 words.
- Entries may be handwritten or typed.
- Illustrated entries, including “books,” with pictures drawn by the student are acceptable; however, only literary content is judged.
- Collections of poems or short stories are not accepted.
- Entries are to reflect grade-appropriate grammar, punctuation, and spelling.

**Dictation and Typing:**

- Students may have their entries typed by another person as long as the original work or a copy of the original work is attached.
- Students in pre-school, kindergarten or 1st grade may dictate to another person who may print or type exact words as spoken by the student.
- Transcribers should make every attempt to retain the same level of language and accuracy that is reflected in the student’s original work.

**Translation:**

- Students for whom English is not their first language may submit literature entries in their own language.  
**An interpretive translation in English must accompany the entry.**
- Translators should make every attempt to retain the same level of language and accuracy that is reflected in the student’s original work.