

2011-2012 PTA REFLECTIONS PROGRAM ART COMPETITION

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Carmel Elementary School is very excited about participating in the National PTA Reflections program that allows students to artistically express themselves through their own creative art work. This year's theme is "**Diversity means...**" Students are judged based on how they interpret this theme into their artwork. The deadline for all artwork is on or before **October 5, 2011**; this program is completely voluntary. An Award of Excellence, Award of Merit and Honorable Mention will be awarded within each category per grade level. Entries receiving an Award of Excellence or an Award of Merit will be sent to the District/County competition to represent Carmel Elementary School.

Students can submit works of art in one or more of six areas:

- literature
- musical composition
- photography
- visual arts
- dance choreography
- film/video production

Students may do as many entries as they like in each category, but each entry must have an individual entry form attached to it. There are specific rules that must be followed in each category. Please refer to the website and read these instructions carefully at www.georgiapta.org/resources-student-reflections.html. Artists tend to think outside the box and it is hard to tell an artist to follow the rules and guidelines. In this case though, they must follow the rules of each specific category or else the judges cannot move their work on to the County. Every entry must have an entry form attached with the student and parent signature on it, as well as be filled out in its entirety. Consent forms must be signed when capturing image or voice of any other person. Students who have not completely filled out their forms will not be eligible to participate, so please read the rules and fill out the forms. Please do not hesitate to ask for help if you have any questions.

Please have your child bring their artwork to the Carmel Media Center and place it into the box labeled Reflections Entry Box **no later than October 5, 2011**. Committee Chairperson, Amy Weissel said, "My kids have had tremendous fun creating their works of art each year. I am hopeful that many Carmel students will participate in the program this year and find a love for it like my children have." Unfortunately, late entries cannot be accepted.

Please feel free to contact Amy Weissel, PTA Reflections chairperson, at amyweissel@hotmail.com or 770-928-0466, if you have any questions. Entry forms can also be found at www.carmelpta.org under Documents.