



OHIO PTA REFLECTIONS

National PTA Reflections Theme Search

The search is on for the 2027-2028 National PTA Reflections Program theme!

Now is the time to have your students participate in this exciting process. Units can submit as many entries as they choose to Ohio PTA. The due date is October 31, 2025 and Ohio PTA will pick the top five themes to go to National PTA to then be judged at the National level.

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 reflections@ohiopta.org by October 31, 2025.**

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



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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, and Visual Arts.

Help us pick the theme idea that will spark fun and creativity during the 2027–2028 National PTA Reflections program! The student who submits the winning entry will receive recognition 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 Ohio PTA by October 31, 2025.

THEME IDEA:

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____

Parent/Guardian Phone _____ Email _____

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

THIS SECTION SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY LOCAL REFLECTIONS CHAIR BEFORE DISTRIBUTION TO ENTRANTS.

SCHOOL PTA NAME _____ SCHOOL PTA ID _____

SCHOOL REFLECTIONS CHAIR _____ REFLECTIONS CHAIR PHONE _____

REFLECTIONS CHAIR EMAIL _____



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Past Program Themes

1969-1970 Reflections: Children and Youth, Mirror Their World	1997-1998 Wouldn't It Be Great If...
1970-1971 Reflections: Children and Youth, Look to Tomorrow	1998-1999 Suddenly You Turn Around And...
1971-1972 Reflections: America, The Beautiful, The Ugly	1999-2000 Anything is Possible...
1972-1973 Reflections: This is Our Country	2000-2001 It Would be Really Strange If...
1973-1974 From Sea to Shining Sea	2001-2002 I Hold in My Hand...
1974-1975 Our Heritage—Our Hopes	2002-2003 Signs of Courage
1975-1976 Spirit of '76—Miracle of America	2003-2004 I Am Really Happy When...
1976-1977 What the World Needs Now	2004-2005 A Different Kind of Hero
1977-1978 Love Is...	2005-2006 I Wonder Why...
1978-1979 Look Out Your Window	2006-2007 My Favorite Place
1979-1980 Behind the Gates of Tomorrow	2007-2008 I Can Make a Difference By...
1980-1981 What a Family Means to Me	2008-2009 Wow!
1981-1982 What Makes Me Smile	2009-2010 Beauty Is...
1982-1983 Life in These United States	2010-2011 Together We Can...
1983-1984 I Have a Dream	2011-2012 Diversity Means...
1984-1985 What Sparks My Imagination	2012-2013 The Magic of a Moment...
1985-1986 From Liberty's View	2013-2014 Believe, Dream, Inspire
1986-1987 In Celebration: A Past to Remember, a Future to Mold	2014-2015 The World Would Be a Better Place If
1987-1988 Wonders of the World	2015-2016 Let Your Imagination Fly
1988-1989 Proud Experiences	2016-2017 What Is Your Story?
1989-1990 Where Does the Sky End?	2017-2018 Within Reach
1990-1991 If I Had a Wish	2018-2019 Heroes Around Me
1991-1992 Exploring New Beginnings	2019-2020 Look Within
1992-1993 Imagine That	2020-2021 I Matter Because...
1993-1994 If I Could Give the World a Gift	2021-2022 I Will Change the World By...
1994-1995 Dare to Discover	2022-2023 Show Your Voice!
1995-1996 Just Open Your Eyes and See	2023-2024 I Am Hopeful Because...
1996-1997 It Could Happen	2024-2025 Accepting Imperfection

2025-2026 I Belong!

Coming 2026-2027 What My Culture Means to Me