



Call for the Arts 2019

MSTC & VPSB 3rd Annual Art & Poetry Contest

Open to Military-Connected K-12 students in VPSB

February 1: Art & Poetry Registration forms are available at your school front office (all work must be accompanied by a registration form)

March 1: All Art & Poetry must be submitted at your student school front office (all work must be accompanied by a registration form)

April 1: Art & Poetry Award Ceremony, 5:30pm, Army Community Services

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Teachers and Students,

Visual arts and writing allow military children to communicate pride in their parents, celebrate their military-connected lives and acknowledge their grief and worry through art.

The Military Student Transition Consultant (MSTC) and Vernon Parish School Board have created the Art & Poetry Contest to provide an opportunity for students to enter at the school, district and national level with Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC). Each school will have a winner, in both categories. The top three Art & Poetry winners will be submitted for a district level contest. All finalist submissions will then be submitted for consideration in the 2020 MCEC publications.

Students Artwork and Poetry are featured at the Military Child Education Coalition Annual conference in Washington D.C. Artwork is utilized in the *On The Move* magazine, the annual calendar, the annual conference program, and other MCEC publications.

We encourage high school students to maximize their opportunities to publish works for scholarship and college applications! ☺ ALL WORK MUST BE SUBMITTED AT YOUR SCHOOL FRONT OFFICE, BY MARCH 1st.

Suggested Topics Include (in the context of being a military-connected student):

- Cultures You've Experienced
- Pride in Parents
- Military Lifestyle
- Your Wishes, Hopes, and Dreams
- The Life Lessons You've Learned
- Teachers/School support
- Transitions/Changes

General Entry Guidelines (teachers, students and parents):

All submissions must be related to being a military-connected student.

Only original work will be accepted. Please do not submit any work that is copied from another source, such as: a book, the web, or clip art.

All art work must be in its original form.

All work must be clearly labeled on the back with the following information:

1. Title of Work
2. Child's full name
3. Grade
4. Teacher's name
5. School name

VPSB winners being submitted to MCEC, must also complete the Official Art & Writing Entry form provided by MCEC.

The official entry form must be signed by a PARENT or GUARDIAN.

Entry Guidelines for Art work:

All submissions must be 8.5 X 11 or smaller.

Submissions may be in the medium of choice.

Color or black & white submissions are accepted.

Please use BRIGHT COLORS or DARK, BOLD designs (no pencil).

Entry Guidelines for Writing:

Poetry must not be more than one page (typed, 8.5 X 11).

Short stories or essays must be 500 words or less.

Please do not include last names in poetry, short stories or essay submissions.

Please title all submissions.

MSTC and VPSB Release & Agreement (required for submission)

By signing below, you agree that:

- All information you provided on this entry form is true and accurate.
- All work is original. Do not submit any work that contains clip art.

After reading, please select below:

_____ I have read the Entry Guidelines for submitting artwork.

_____ I have read, understand, and agree to the above release and agreement.

Parental permission:

Parent or Guardian Signature (required) Date

Print Name Date

Please print clearly and fill out the form completely. If we can't read it, we cannot contact you. Use one entry form for each piece of work you submit.

Student Information:

Name of Student: _____

Mailing address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Please Print the Student's School Information:

School: _____

Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Please circle affiliation: Army Navy Marines Air Force
 National Guard Reserves Civilian Other