

MI Charters Art Contest Rules/Guidelines

1. Theme: The theme of the art contest is "Celebrating Michigan's Charter Schools Week." Participants must create an art piece depicting either their local state representative or state senator or the Michigan State Capitol building.

2. Eligibility: The contest is open to all students currently enrolled in K-12 public charter schools in Michigan.

3. Artwork Specifications:

a. Medium: Participants may choose any medium for their artwork, including but not limited to painting, drawing, mixed media, digital art, or sculpture.

b. Size: Artwork must be submitted in a standard size suitable for display

c. Originality: Artwork must be original and created solely by the student. Plagiarism or use of copyrighted material will result in disqualification.

d. Theme Representation: Art pieces must clearly depict either their local lawmaker or the Michigan State Capitol building, showcasing creativity and artistic interpretation.

4. Submission Guidelines:

a. Deadline: All artwork must be submitted by Sunday, May 1, 2024

b. Submission Method: Artwork can be submitted digitally by either taking a picture of the artwork or submitting the digital art piece. Digital submissions should be emailed to **kbiscarner@charterschools.org**.

c. Required Information: Each submission must include the student's name, grade level, charter school name, and contact information.

5. Judging Criteria:

a. Adherence to Theme: Artwork should effectively capture the essence of the chosen theme – either the student's local lawmaker or the Michigan State Capitol building.

b. Creativity and Originality: Judges will evaluate the uniqueness and creativity of the artwork's concept and execution.

c. Artistic Skill: Judges will assess the technical proficiency and skill demonstrated in the artwork's composition, use of color, perspective, and other artistic elements.

d. Overall Impact: Artwork will be evaluated based on its overall visual impact and ability to evoke emotion or convey a message.

6. Prizes: The top 3 winners will be chosen and the following prizes will be awarded:

1st place: \$200

2nd place: \$100

3rd place: \$50

7. Rights and Permissions: By submitting their artwork, participants grant permission for their artwork to be displayed, reproduced, and used for promotional purposes related to the art contest and Michigan's Charter Schools Week celebration.

8. Disqualification: Artwork that does not adhere to the contest rules or guidelines, contains inappropriate content, or violates copyright laws will be disqualified.

9. Decision of the Judges: The decision of the judges is final and binding in all matters related to the art contest.

10. Public Display: Selected artwork may be displayed at Charter Day at the Capitol, on social media, or in other public forums to showcase student talent and promote Michigan's Charter Schools Week celebration.

By participating in the art contest, students acknowledge and agree to abide by these rules and guidelines. For any questions or clarifications, **please contact Kyra Biscarner at kbiscarner@charterschools.org**