

REFLECTIONS FOR THE LOCAL UNIT LEADER





PTA REFLECTIONS

- National Reflections program has been around since 1969.
- Encourages students to bring a unique theme to life in 6 different categories.
- Local Unit 1st and 2nd place winners advance to compete at the council level.
- Council 1st and 2nd place winners move on to compete at the Georgia PTA state level.
- State level winners are awarded in March 2017.

2,111 pieces of art were submitted to the state level last year with 25 advancing to National PTA competition. Six were awarded at National and one student placed as Outstanding Interpretation! Great job, Georgia!

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Create an Original Work

Only new and original works inspired by the theme: **What Is Your Story?** will be accepted.

Students may enter in 1 or more of the following arts categories.

- Dance Choreography
- Film Production
- Literature
- Music Composition
- Photography
- Visual Arts.

Submitting An Entry



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All entries should follow their school's PTA deadlines and instructions on how to enter. The submission must include a completed and signed **Student Entry Form**.

In the **artist statement**, the student tells us about their work and what it means to them.

- How does your work relate to the theme?
- What is your personal connection to the theme?
- What did you use to create your work (e.g. supplies, technology, instrumentation, props, etc.)?
- What/Who was your inspiration?

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Start early! What should you be doing now:

- Let everyone know the theme and provide student entry forms. Promote, promote, promote!
- Establish a deadline for entries.
(Make sure to check with your council for deadline dates, time and location for dropping off entries and then work BACKWARDS from their dates)
- Making sure your PTA is in good standing.
- Look for qualified judges for each category
- Order awards – ribbons, medals, certificates.
- Plan reception/celebration

PROMOTE!!!

- Get the word out – use school website, local PTA website, Facebook, morning announcements, attend faculty meeting, talk with the art teacher, etc.
- Make entry forms accessible *(be sure to use 2016-17 form)*
 - Front office
 - Media Center
 - Send home in book bags
 - Hang poster(s)

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Be a Part of PTA's Reflections® Program

2016-2017 THEME:
**What Is
Your Story?**

Entries from all grades and all abilities welcome.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: _____

FOR DETAILS, CONTACT: _____



Learn more and get involved!
PTA.ORG/REFLECTIONS



Announce your entries using this customizable flier.

Can be found on the Georgia PTA website.

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**2016-2017 Georgia PTA Reflections
Student Entry Form**



To be completed by the Local Unit PTA:

Local Unit PTA Name _____

Local Unit Reflections Chairperson _____

Chairperson's Email _____ Chairperson's Phone _____

Local Unit's National 8-digit ID # _____ STATE ID # 50073

Council PTA _____ District PTA _____

MEMBER DUES PAID Yes No AUDIT SUBMITTED Yes No IRS SUBMITTED Yes No COUNCIL DUES PAID Yes No

DEADLINE FOR ENTRY:

TEACHER/ ROOM #:

Please fill form out in pen or ink on a stable form.

STUDENT NAME _____ **GRADE** _____ **AGE** _____ **M/F** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME _____ **EMAIL** _____ **PHONE** _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____ **CITY** _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____

Ownership in any submission shall remain the property of the entrant, but entry into this program constitutes entrant's irrevocable permission and consent that PTA may display, copy, reproduce, enhance, print, sublicense, publish, distribute and create derivative works for PTA purposes. PTA is not responsible for lost or damaged entries. Submission of entry into the PTA Reflections program constitutes acceptance of all rules and conditions. I agree to the above statement and the National PTA Reflections Official Rules.

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ **PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:** _____

GRADE DIVISION (Check One)

PRIMARY (Preschool- Grade 2)
 INTERMEDIATE (Grades 3-5)
 MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6-8)
 HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)

ARTS CATEGORY (Check One)

DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY MUSIC COMPOSITION
 FILM PRODUCTION PHOTOGRAPHY
 LITERATURE VISUAL ARTS

SPECIAL ARTIST DIVISION (All Grades)* Please check this box ONLY if the student qualifies as a Special Artist.
ELIGIBILITY: The National PTA Special Artist Division is an option for students with disabilities who receive services under IDEA or Section 504 to have the opportunity and accommodations they may need in order to participate fully in the program. The Special Artist Division offers modified rules and guidelines to ensure that every student has the chance to be part of the National PTA Reflections® program.
Who qualifies as a disabled individual under the law? The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) defines an individual with a disability as a person who: (1) has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of that person; (2) has a record of such an impairment; or (3) is regarded as having such impairment.

TITLE OF ARTWORK _____

ARTWORK DETAILS (Dance/Film: cite background music; Music: musician(s)/instrumentation; Literature: word count; Photo/Visual Arts: materials & dimensions) _____

ARTIST STATEMENT (Must be 10 to 100 words describing your work and how it relates to the theme)

Student Entry Form

- MUST USE 2016-2017 FORM

*Note the changes
for this year!*

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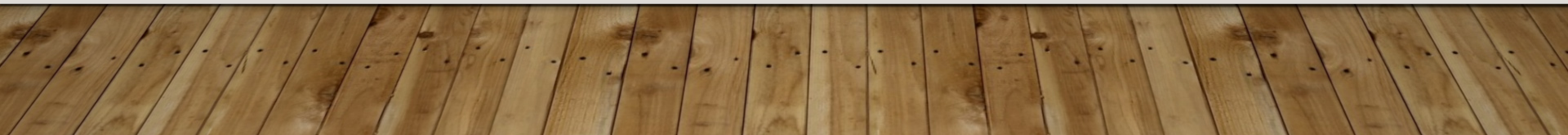


Judging Artwork and Celebrating Winners

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1. Collect submissions and organize by *Arts Category* and *Grade Division*.
Qualify submissions according to program rules and address student ineligibility, as needed.
2. Prepare submissions for Judges' review and provide the **Judging Guidelines** and **Score Card** to each judge.
3. Collect judges scores and rank entries. Assign awards by grade division and arts category. Award levels may include: 1st Place, 2nd Place, Honorable Mention, Participant.
4. Celebrate your winners! Hold a celebration event, showcase the artwork and provide recognition for ALL the students who participated.



Submitting Your Entries to Council and/or State

3 step process...



2016-2017 Georgia PTA Reflections®
Local PTA Unit Participation Form



Complete this form and submit with entries that go to the next level of judging.

PTA/PTSA Information

8-Digit ID Number _____ Official Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

School Information (visit www.greatschools.org as needed)

School Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Principal Name _____ Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Reflections Chair Information

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Title _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Reflections Participation Information

Check all grade divisions your PTA Reflections Program offers: _____ Total school enrollment at your School(s): _____
 Primary Intermediate Middle School High School Special Artist

By Division, how many students participated in each of the following arts categories?

	Dance Choreography	Film Production	Literature	Music Composition	Photography	Visual Arts
Primary						
Intermediate						
Middle School						
High School						
Special Artist						

How do you celebrate your Reflections contest?

- Public Announcements School Events Community Events PTA Meetings School Board Meetings
 Other: _____

Georgia PTA Reflections Chair: Janice Gurley – janicegurley@georgiapta.org

Step 1

Complete the Local Unit Participation Form

Form can be found on Georgia PTA's website.

	A	B
1		
2	Local PTA Unit	
3	PTA Council	
4	District	
5	Address	
6		
7	PTA ID # (8 digit)	
8	Reflections Chair	
9	Email address	
10	Address	
11	Phone (+area code)	
12		
13	Total # of Entries:	
14	Photography	
15	Visual Arts	
16	Literature	
17	Dance	
18	Music	
19	Film	
20		
21	# Special Artist Entries	
22	Photography	
23	Visual Arts	
24	Literature	
25	Dance	
26	Music	
27	Film	
28		

Local PTA Information - Table 5 Winners List - Table 1 Special Artist Winners - Table

Step 2

Complete the Winners Log

Can be found on
Georgia PTA's website.

	A	B	C	D
1				
2	Local PTA Unit	Forsyth County Council		
3	PTA Council	Forsyth County Council		
4	District	13		
5	Address	1120 Dahlonega Highway, Cumming, GA 30040		
6				
7	PTA ID # (8 digit)	54246		
8	Reflections Chair	Tracy Thompson		
9	Email address	ecdtraining@comcast.net		
10	Address			
11	Phone (+area code)			
12				
13	Total # of Entries:	498		
14	Photography	129		
15	Visual Arts	167		
16	Literature	122		
17	Dance	18		
18	Music	30		
19	Film	32		
20				
21	# Special Artist Entries	2		
22	Photography	0		
23	Visual Arts	2		
24	Literature	0		
25	Dance	0		
26	Music	0		
27	Film	0		

WINNER'S LOG

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
	Entry #	Grad		Category	First Name	Last Name	School	Level	Street Address	City	State	Zip	Phone
1	1	K	1st	Visual Arts	Aishwarya	Meyyappan	Sharon	Elementary	5240 Habersham Hills Drive	Suwanee	GA	30024	770-881-7036
2	2	K	2nd	Visual Arts	Pranit	Mishra	Whitlow	Elementary	5635 Crestwick Way	Cumming	GA	30040	678-513-6343
3	3	1	1st	Visual Arts	David	Choi	Sharon	Elementary	5290 Beecham Court	Suwanee	GA	30024	404-580-3235
4	4	1	2nd	Visual Arts	Hailey	Park	Daves Creek	Elementary	3120 Neal Court	Cumming	GA	30041	678-251-4832
5	5	2	1st	Visual Arts	Callie	Fraser	Haw Creek	Elementary	2698 Echols Road	Cumming	GA	30041	678-982-7834
6	6	2	2nd	Visual Arts	Anna Grace	Martin	Matt	Elementary	2560 Dr. Bramlett Road	Cumming	GA	30028	770-354-0787
7	7	3	1st	Visual Arts	Andrew	Park	Johns Creek	Elementary	8810 Merion Drive	Duluth	GA	30097	770-856-9108
8	8	3	2nd	Visual Arts	Bryan	Lee	Sharon	Elementary	3440 CamelLiterature Lane	Suwanee	GA	30024	404-694-3289
9	9	4	1st	Visual Arts	Sofia	Sanacore	Vickery Creek	Elementary	7010 Vickery Creek Road	Cumming	GA	30040	770-263-9514
10	10	4	2nd	Visual Arts	Tiffany	Lee	Johns Creek	Elementary	8230 Norwich Place	Suwanee	GA	30024	678-334-5298
11	11	5	1st	Visual Arts	Yuna	Lee	Whitlow	Elementary	3490 Maple Visual Artsley Drive	Cumming	GA	30040	678-481-7870
12	12	5	2nd	Visual Arts	Rachel	Lee	Johns Creek	Elementary	3330 Dalwood Drive	Suwanee	GA	30024	770-309-1216
13	13	6	1st	Visual Arts	Rina	Yoo	Riverwatch	Middle	5185 Estate View Trace	Suwanee	GA	30024	770-365-6067
14	14	6	2nd	Visual Arts	Christopher	Park	Riverwatch	Middle	8810 Merion Drive	Duluth	GA	30097	770-856-9108
15	15	7	1st	Visual Arts	Jenny	Shu	Riverwatch	Middle	8770 Innisbrook Run	Duluth	GA	30097	770-235-6443
16	16	7	2nd	Visual Arts	Olivia	Morgan	Lakeside	Middle	4635 N. River Drive	Cumming	GA	30041	404-272-8158
17	17	8	1st	Visual Arts	Stephanie	Tian	Riverwatch	Middle	7085 ReDance ChoreographyLiteratureffe Cc	Suwanee	GA	30024	770-403-5296
18	18	8	2nd	Visual Arts	Kristian	Fields	Otwell	Middle	3323 Castleberry Road	Cumming	GA	30040	404-290-8359

Step 3

Register Your School via the Online Process

- Go to PTA.org
- At School tab
- Reflections Art Program
- Click the blue button that says **Register Your PTA**
Make sure you print your report and SAVE.

2016-2017 Program Registration opens July 1.

Summary of Rules

- Students must be affiliated with a **PTA/PTSA in good standing**, as determined by Georgia PTA.
- Students can submit **more than one entry** per arts category.
- Artwork **must be original** and created for the purpose of this contest and this year's theme.
- Only **one student** may create the work and be recognized as the award recipient, but other students may appear in the artwork itself.

Rules for each specific category

Dance Choreography

- A new work of art created for this theme, include a title and artist statement
- The choreographer is not required to be a performer
- Can use copyrighted music if you give proper credit
- Entries not to exceed 5 minutes
- Submit on DVD with name, grade, and school printed on DVD and DVD holder
- Submit entries in a 9x12 brown clasp envelope with a sheet protector stapled to outside of envelope with entry form inside the protector
- Maximum upload file size is 1GB
- **Have student make a copy. Works are not returned**

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Film Production

- A new work of art created for this theme, include a title and artist statement
- Entries not to exceed 5 minutes
- Entries can be with or without sound
- Student submitting entry is not required to appear in the film.
- **Have the student make a copy. Works are not returned**
- Power points are **NOT** acceptable
- Student submitting entry must be director, screenwriter and cameraperson
- Submit entries on DVD with name, grade, and school on DVD and DVD cover
- Submit entries in a 9x12 brown clasp envelope with a sheet protector stapled to outside of envelope with entry form inside the protector

Literature

A new work of art created for this theme, include a title and artist statement
Entries not to exceed 2,000 words

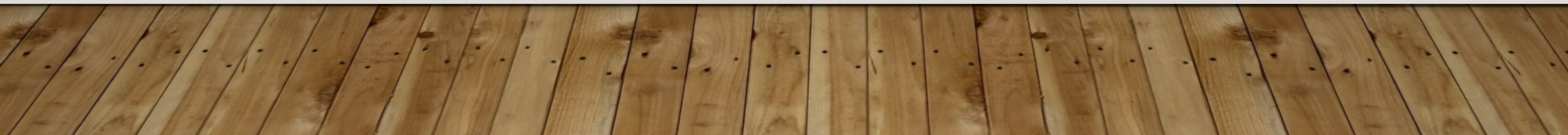
Collections of poems or short stories are **not** accepted

Work can be illustrated but is not a part of judging

Entries should reflect grade appropriate grammar, punctuation, and spelling
Pre-K, K, First grade and Special Artists can dictate to an adult

Submit 1 original and 2 copies, in a 9x12 brown clasp envelope with entry form stapled at the top to the back of the folder

Have the student make a copy. Works are not returned.



Musical Composition

A new work of art created for this theme, include a title and artist statement

The musical piece can be for voice, instrument or a combination

Students are not required to perform their own composition

Submit on CD, with name, grade and school on CD and CD holder

Entries not to exceed 5 minutes

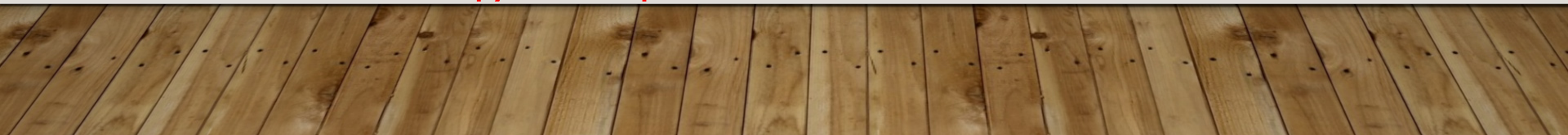
No notation is required for Primary and Intermediate grades

Middle and High division grades must have scores included

Scores sheet size not to exceed 8 1/2 x 11

Submit entries in a 9x12 brown clasp envelope with a sheet protector stapled to outside of envelope with entry form inside the protector

Have student make a copy to keep. Works are not returned.



Photography

A new work of art created for this theme, include a title and artist statement

Single print or collage may not exceed 11"x14" including mat

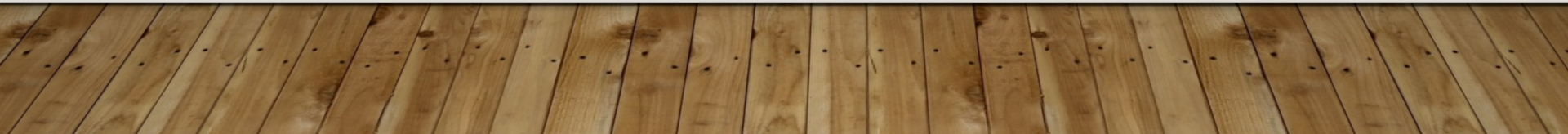
Shrink wrap is highly recommended to protect artwork

Mount photo on cardboard mat or some sort of sturdy material

No names on photograph and **no** graphics added to image allowed

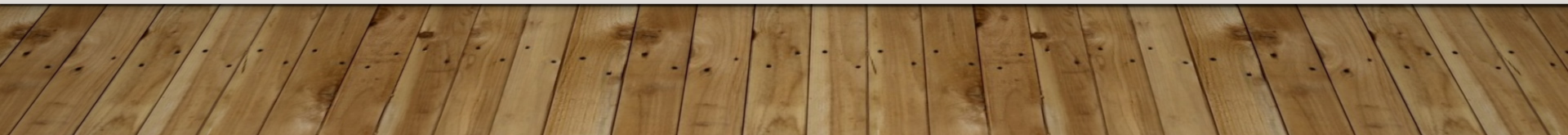
Place the entry form in a sheet protector; secure with masking tape on the back of artwork, **on top of protective wrap**

The use of copyrighted places, items, characters, etc. can be used if not the main subject of the work



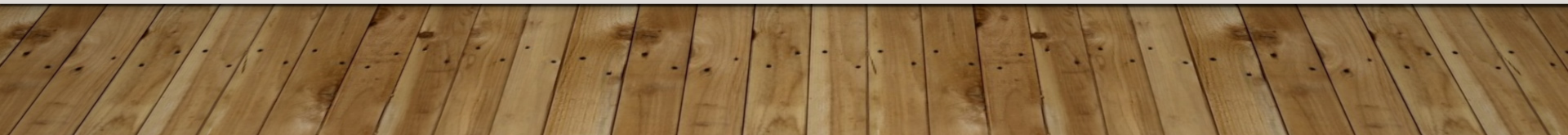
Visual Arts

Accepted forms of visual art include: Architecture (2D/3D), carpentry, ceramics, collages, photographic collages (multiple photos cut/pasted), computer-generated image, crafts, design, dioramas, drawing, fiber work, jewelry, kites, metal etching/punch work, mobiles, painting, printmaking, sculpture and wind chimes. Reproductions or enlargements of other artwork are not accepted.



Visual Arts Submission Requirements:

- Only new pieces of artwork inspired by the theme may be submitted.
- Each entry must be the original work of one student only.
- **2D artwork** (e.g. painting) Dimensions must not exceed 24x30 inches, including matting. Paper entries must be mounted on sturdy material.
- **3D artwork** (e.g. sculpture) Must be able to move for display purposes. Must include packaging materials and 3 photos of the entry (a combination of angles) for judging and ID purposes (entries that require assembling/repairing from transporting will be disqualified).
- Framed artwork and artwork containing loose materials is not accepted. Matting is accepted.
- Label back of entry/entry packaging with student name, title of artwork, arts category and division.
- Submit artwork and student entry form according to your PTA's instructions.



Additional Opportunities

Reflections Theme Search Contest

- The next theme could come from your PTA!
- Due to the state office by October 7, 2016

Mary Lou Anderson Reflections Arts Enhancement Grants

- Applications Available at PTA.org/Reflections
- The National PTA Mary Lou Anderson Reflections Arts Enhancement Grant provides up to **\$1,000** in matching funds to support local PTA arts projects within their school community.



National PTA® Reflections
Theme Search Entry Form



The search is on for the 2018-2019 National PTA Reflections program theme!

The student who submits the winning entry will receive \$100, and his or her theme will be announced at the National PTA Convention and Exhibition in June 2017.

Please review the past themes listed on the next page. Repeat themes will not be considered. Use this form to submit theme ideas. Only signed original forms will be considered.

Submit entries to Georgia PTA by October 7, 2016. Mail to 114 Baker Street, NE, Atlanta, GA 30308.

Theme Idea:

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Parent/Guardian Phone _____ Email _____

→ _____
Student Signature

→ _____
Parent/Guardian Signature

To be completed by PTA before distribution

FULL PTA NAME: _____

NATIONAL 8-DIGIT ID NUMBER: _____

REFLECTIONS CHAIR NAME: _____ EMAIL: _____

PTA ADDRESS: _____

Local PTA good standing status:

Membership dues paid date _____ Audit turned in date _____ 990 turned in date _____ Council dues paid date _____

Theme Search Form

Entries are due to Georgia PTA by October 7, 2016.

This search is for the theme for the 2018-2019 National PTA Reflections program theme.

A great tie in...

Arts in Education Week

September 11-17, 2016

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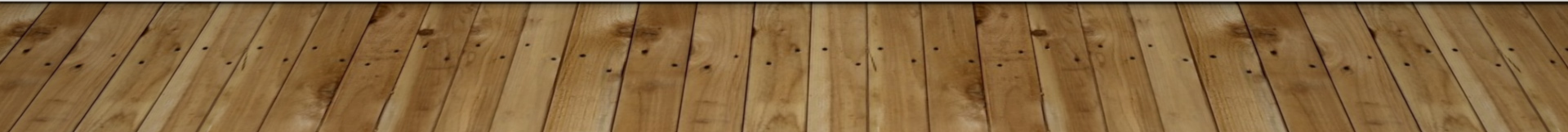




reminder

**Entries advancing to state level competition
are due to Georgia PTA on December 2, 2016.**

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QUESTIONS?

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