

Award Classifications

At the District level coordinators are asked to identify best of classification for 3D/craft, computer images, drawing, mixed media, painting, photography and printmaking (See Description of Classifications) in each age group (Group 1 is grades 6-8 and Group 2 is grades 9-12). This computes to 7 awards in each group, or 14 pieces eligible to move to the state exhibit. Coordinators are then allowed to pick 3 more pieces to send forward to state without consideration of classification or grade level. If a grade level does not have enough work submitted in a particular classification to assign an award, the coordinators are permitted to assign another piece in a different classification but in the same grade level to make up the total of 17 works allowed to move to the state exhibit. Coordinators are not allowed to substitute a group II work of art for a group I award. There should be no less than 7 works of art from each grade level moving forward to the state exhibit.

At the state level every student receives a blue ribbon award for placing in the state exhibit. In addition to the blue ribbon awards, there are Best of District, Best of Classification, and Best of Show Awards. These are assigned in the two age group levels (Group 1 is grades 6-8 and group 2 is grades 9-12). There will also be a Teacher of the Year Award, a School System of the Year Award, and five scholarship awards for seniors who placed in the top five portfolios submitted (see Visual Arts Achievement Scholarship Program. We will hold a virtual awards ceremony on Friday, April 30th at 1pm. Details will be sent to all students and teachers participating in the state exhibition.