

# BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY

## 2020 ART CONTEST HANDBOOK

February 20, 2020

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Registration forms (found at <http://www.benpto.com> under Forms) should be returned to school by February 7th.

All students are welcome to participate!



If you have any questions, contact Suzzi Watson by e-mail at [suzzi.watson@gmail.com](mailto:suzzi.watson@gmail.com)

## Art Contest Guidelines

Participants will create an original work of art that uses one of these three formats: two-dimensional artwork (e.g. painting or drawing), three-dimensional artwork (e.g. sculpture or mixed media that can be displayed on a table), or photography.

1. Artwork submitted should be created outside of school. Artwork should be brought to school on Thursday, February 20, 2020 during the school day, but no later than 2:00 pm. There will be designated tables at the school lobby where participants can leave their artwork.
2. Two-dimensional artwork and photography should be lightweight enough to be hung on a wall. The artwork should be no larger than 11 X 17 inches and be unframed. Flat and raised canvases are acceptable.
3. Three-dimensional artwork should be able to be displayed on a table. This artwork should be no larger than 12 x 24 inches.
4. Please attach a label with the student's name, grade, and room number on the back or bottom of the artwork.
5. The winners of the Art Contest may be chosen to be displayed at the Bethel Park Public Library on Saturday, February 22nd at the opening event of the Ben Franklin Read-a-thon. This artwork will be returned on Monday, February 24th. You may choose to opt out by checking the box on the registration form.

Division A  
(K, 1st Grade, and 2nd Grade)

All participants in Division A will receive an award for participation.

Division B  
(3rd Grade and 4th Grade)

The art projects in division B will be grouped into categories for judging. Participants are eligible to win 1st, 2nd and 3rd place medals in their assigned category.

Judging Criteria - Division B  
(3rd Grade and 4th Grade)

All participants in the contest from Division B will be awarded up to 4 points on each of the criteria listed in the attached table. The maximum points that can be awarded are 28. All participants will be judged by at least two judges.

## Judging Criteria Art Contest Division B

	Impressive		Adequate		Minimal
Part I: Followed the rules 2D artwork & Photography: no larger than 11 X 17 inches and unframed 3D artwork: able to be displayed on a table, and no larger than 12 x 24 inches	4	--	--	--	0
Part II: Use of Space Does the way the shapes and forms are positioned contribute to the purpose of the artwork? Is the space used in an appealing way?	4	3	2	1	0
Part III: Colors / shapes Do the colors/ shapes work well together?	4	3	2	1	0
Part IV: Originality The artwork should not be traced. It should be the work of the child. Artwork that is unique should be scored as Impressive.	4	3	2	1	0
Part V: Technical skill or difficulty Does the artist evidence some control of the medium (Random paint drips would generally imply a lack of control of the media)	4	3	2	1	0
Part VI: Overall presentation Does it look like care was given to creating and transporting the project to the art contest? (Not crumpled, etc.)	4	3	2	1	0
Part VII: Overall aesthetic presentation Does the art appeal to you?	4	3	2	1	0