

# ART WALK 2020

## ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ART WALK!

### WHAT IS ART WALK?

Art Walk is our annual event that showcases students' artwork from every classroom, recognizes the hard work of our Explore Art docents and volunteers, and raises funds to support the Explore Art program. This is the one PTSA event that represents the entire student body.

### WHEN IS ART WALK THIS YEAR?

Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 8:00 pm

### WHERE IS THE ART WALK HELD?

At the big gymnasium.

### IS THERE AN ADMISSION FEE?

There is NO admission fee.

### DO WE RAISE MONEY?

An optional donation of \$3.00 is suggested. With a donation, parents receive a "SOLD" sign that they can attach to THEIR child's artwork as a simple acknowledgement.

### WHERE DO THE DONATIONS GO?

Explore Art is completely funded by the PTSA. The funds raised at this event are used to supplement the Explore Art budget and used specifically for Explore Art materials and supplies. The more funds raised, the more opportunities there are to enhance the program.

### DO PARENTS/ STUDENTS GET TO TAKE THEIR ARTWORK HOME?

NO. All the artwork, including the "purchased" pieces, remains at the event until the end of the evening and every piece is returned the next day to the original artist after Art Walk is over. The respective art docent of each class is responsible to hand them to the class teachers who'd send the artworks home via kid mail.

### WHICH PROJECT ARE WE GOING TO DISPLAY?

Traditionally, classes display their project lessons from January. Please refer to the **rotation calender** you received at the beginning of the year (also available in the conference room) to see

what element your class is assigned for to make sure that you aren't using the same project as another class of the same grade level. Every effort should be made to have a display that includes artwork from every student in your class. Should a student miss the Art Walk lesson, please work with your teacher to have them make it up.

## HOW DO WE DISPLAY PROJECTS?

The artwork is displayed in the big gymnasium, gallery-style. We will have DISPLAY RACKS, TABLES and WALL Spaces to showcase the artworks.

Please do not stress over how to style your display project! The value of a simple project with a good lesson is recognized and appreciated, and far more important than elaborate displays and fancy materials. The class display should not distract the viewer from the students' artwork. The goal is to present your class's artwork in a way so that every piece can be appreciated both individually and as a whole.

## WHAT WOULD BE PROVIDED FOR DISPLAY?

### DISPLAY RACKS:

The display racks in the EA room measure 6 ft wide x 9 ft high. We will have binder clips available during Art Walk set up to hang your artwork with, and they are very easy to use. **If you choose to have something different, it will be up to you to supply it.** In the past some have used clothespins, paper clips, and twist ties. Please be aware that there will be classroom displays on both sides of the grids, so you will be able to see the backs of the other class's projects in some areas. Having butcher paper to cover the screen is something you can consider to avoid such issues.

### WALLS:

If you are using a wall, colored butcher paper and duct tape will be available to you during Art Walk set up. We highly recommend bringing your own scissors to cut the tape and, if you're looking to finish your display in a timely manner, your own duct tape. The brick walls are difficult to adhere to, so ample use of duct tape is recommended!

### TABLES:

If you are using a table, colored butcher paper will be available. You may also use a tablecloth or other materials that work for your display. Some displays in the past have used colorfully wrapped cardboard boxes to create tiers for their display for a great effect.

## HOW DO I LABEL THE PROJECTS?

It is the Art Docent's responsibility to be sure that each individual piece of art is identified with the student's name – **FIRST NAME ONLY**. If you happen to have two students with same first name in the same class, it is suggested to add the initial of their last name for them both.

## DO WE GET PROJECT SIGNS?

Every classroom will receive a 9" x 12" project description sign that will identify the class teacher and grade, project description, and art leads and volunteers. This needs to be displayed with your class's art. We will provide you the sign. The Art docents need to send us the following information by Monday February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 for us to complete all signage in timely manner.

1. Project Title
2. Display Needed (table, wall, display rack)
3. Teacher/Grade
4. Lead/Co-Leads
5. Volunteer Names
6. Medium Used
7. Project Description (artist, style, element, etc.)

## CAN I DISPLAY MORE THAN ONE PROJECT FROM MY CLASS?

If your class has a second project you would like to display, please provide all the above information and clearly indicate that it is your second choice. If space permits, we will put them in.

## WHERE TO DISPLAY MY CLASS PROJECTS?

You'll be given a floorplan/ layout of the gym indicating where your display will be. Based on your selection of rack, table or wall space your class will be assigned a spot on the floorplan.

## WHAT TIME DO WE SET UP?

On the day of ART WALK, **each class is responsible for setting up and cleaning up their own project.** Set up begins at 3:30pm. Set up will run much quicker and smoother if everyone arrives during their scheduled time slot and comes prepared with their own tools/materials needed for their display (scissors, scotch tape, duct tape, specialized items, etc). You will receive your space assignment and display sign at that time.

- **Set-up time for grades K-2: 3:30 – 4:00pm**
- **Set-up time grades 3-5: 4:00 - 4:30pm**

## WHAT TIME DO WE CLEAN UP?

Clean up begins promptly at 8:00pm. Projects should not be removed or taken home by the artists and/or families regardless of whether a "sold" sign has been purchased. All the artwork remains on display for the duration of the event and should be returned to the students the next day or as soon as conveniently possible.

## CAN I VOLUNTEER?

Of course! We'd **LOVE** to include you in organizing! There are plenty of opportunities to get involved.

Before the event, you can help

- printing posters
- cutting “SOLD” labels
- matting project signs
- getting the bulletin board ready
- printing flyers

On the day of the event, you can help

- with set up
- at the cash register with “sold” label
- taking photographs of the exhibition
- at the kids activity center
- with clean up

### **WHERE CAN I SIGN UP?**

A sign up genius link will be provided.

### **CAN I VOLUNTEER EVEN IF I’M NOT DOING EXPLORE ART?**

ABSOLUTELY! We would love to include everyone who are interested.

### **QUESTIONS?**

Please contact us if you have any questions or need any assistance.

Thank you all so much for your cooperation and hard work. We truly appreciate your dedication to make this such a great experience for the students!

Thanks!

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