



## Art Fair Information Packet

Everything you need to know about creating a great art project is inside this packet. Please discuss the contents with your parent(s) or guardian(s).

Each student may submit one work of art.

2D artwork should be no larger than 9" x 12" in size. The PTA will provide paper stock for students to use; it can be picked up in the main office. 2D artwork can include drawn images in any medium you have at your disposal (crayons, pencils, markers, watercolors, pastels, acrylics, chalk, etc.). Please **DO NOT** mount your artwork. The committee will mount all works of art for display.

3D artwork is limited to no larger than 24" x 24" x 24" in size, and may include any medium you choose within reason (clay, fiber, wood, metal, porcelain, cement, etc.).

If you have questions about what is/is not acceptable, please email [harrisonelementarypta@gmail.com](mailto:harrisonelementarypta@gmail.com) in advance so we can help avoid any disappointment.

Please remember to sign all artwork and include your full name on the back/bottom of your piece AND include your artist's statement when turning in your work.

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# Important qualities to consider as you create your project

Artwork must be first and foremost an original artistic expression. ALL WORK MUST BE ORIGINAL, HANDCRAFTED WORK. This means the artist guarantees the work as the creation of their own hands. No tracing, copying or redrawing artwork that already exists.

An artist's statement must be written and turned in with your work of art (see page 4). The artist's statement must include information about materials and techniques used in the creation and production of the art.

On the day of the event, each artist will be visited by at least two judges. Plan on briefly explaining your artwork and how you composed it (you should practice ahead of time!), and be ready to answer any questions the judges might ask about your project. It's normal to feel a little nervous about speaking to the judges, but smile, take a deep breath, and think of them as fellow artists with whom you're sharing your great project!

Please use the rubric below to help guide you as you plan and complete your work of art. Students who earn 16-20 points will earn a blue ribbon; students who earn 11-15 points will earn a red ribbon, and students who earn 10 points or lower will earn a white ribbon.

Art Fair Criteria / Rubric	
<b>Originality and Visual Impact</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The project exhibits creativity, captures the viewer's attention, and shows imaginative use of materials and ideas</li><li>• The project shows the student's own ideas; it's something fresh we've never seen before</li></ul>	4
<b>Use of the Elements and Principles of Art</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The project shows a good use of line, shape, form, color, texture, and value</li><li>• The project shows thoughtful composition, perspective, and use of space</li></ul>	4
<b>Craftsmanship</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The project shows skill in the use of material / media</li><li>• The artist shows control</li><li>• The project is neatly presented without smudges or folds</li></ul>	4
<b>Artist's Statement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In their written statement, the artist explains the techniques and processes they used to create the finished piece</li></ul>	4
<b>Presentation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Is the student's work and verbal presentation suitable for their grade level?</li><li>▪ Did the student have outside adult support that was appropriate for their grade level?</li></ul>	4
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>	<b>20</b>

# Art Fair Rules

Aw!, you mean there are rules? Of course there are. We have to be safe.

1. Students must work individually. Adults can help; in fact we want them to get involved. By that we mean, they can help gather materials, supervise your work and give you advice and input. They just can't help you draw or create your own masterpiece; that's up to you.
2. ALL WORK MUST BE ORIGINAL, HANDCRAFTED WORK. This means the artist guarantees the work as the creation of their own hands. No tracing, copying or redrawing artwork that already exists.
3. 2D artwork should be no larger than 9" x 12" in size (paper will be provided). 3D artwork should be no larger than 24" x 24" x 24" in size.
4. In adherence to district guidelines, artwork CANNOT contain visual representation of weapons of any kind; failure to disregard this rule will result in disqualification from the fair.
5. Respect all adults involved in the fair . . . especially the judges! Show the guests in our school that Harrison students are polite and responsible!

# Science + Art Fair | Artist's Statement

Due no later than **Wednesday, April 15, 2020**

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Student First/Last Name

Grade / Teacher

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Project Title

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Medium (materials used)

What inspired you to create this piece?

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What techniques and/or processes did you utilize in the creation of your work of art?

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