

Please attach entry form securely to the back of the entry. Maximum artboard/paper size is 11" x 17".



PROMOTE THE VOTE 2015 VISUAL ARTS CONTESTS

_____ K-3 My Mississippi - Illustration	_____ 7-9 Vote for Me - Campaign Poster
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We encourage all students participating in Promote the Vote to express their creativity by designing artwork depicting pride in their State, civic responsibility and voter participation. This year's Art Contests draw inspiration from the State of Mississippi and the 2015 General Election which will determine the State's leadership for the next four years.

In each contest, first, second, and third place winners will be announced for each age group category, as well as any contestants the judges find deserving of Honorable Mention.

Suggested media for drawings are colored pencils, colors, watercolors, and poster paints. We discourage pastels or charcoal because these are fragile applications and may be harmed in the mailing/judging process. Art must be submitted on sturdy 11" x 17" art paper (maximum size). Our intent is to preserve the integrity of the student's artwork. Please secure the entry form to the back of each entry. Please title or describe each entry on the entry form and check the appropriate contest for each entry.

The Promote the Vote Art Contest is open to all Mississippi students in Kindergarten through Grade 12.

ART CONTEST JUDGING PROCESS

- Artists' names and schools will be kept secret from the judges
- Submissions not conforming to the Official Rules of the Contest will be ineligible for competition.
- Submissions will be judged for content, originality and artistic merit.
- A panel of judges will be selected by the Secretary of State's Office.
- First, second, and third place winners will be selected from each age category.

ART CONTEST OFFICIAL RULES

1. All entries must be delivered to the Secretary of State's office or postmarked by Monday, Nov. 30, 2015.
2. Entries may be mailed to the Promote the Vote Art Contest, Post Office Box 136, Jackson, MS 39205. Hand deliveries should come to the first floor receptionist at 225 S. Congress Street, Jackson.
3. Contestants must be enrolled in Kindergarten through Grade 12. Designate grade level on entry form.
4. All entries must be the original artwork by the student.
5. Artwork must be submitted on sturdy 11x17 art paper (maximum size).
6. The contestant's name must NOT appear on the front of the artwork.
7. Only one entry per contest is allowed per contestant. Students may enter multiple contests.
8. The participant submitting the entry must be a student in a school registered for Promote the Vote 2015.
9. Each piece of artwork must be accompanied by the art entry application.