

2012 Illinois Arts Education Week Poster Contest

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY 11/30/11

The third week of March is traditionally designated *Illinois Arts Education Week* by Governor Pat Quinn. The next Illinois Arts Education Week will be March 12-18, 2012. It is also sponsored in cooperation with the Illinois Alliance for Arts Education (IAAE) and the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). This poster contest reinforces the importance of the arts in the growth and development of all students. Each year an Illinois student's artwork is featured on the poster which is sent to all public and private schools in Illinois. The winner will be recognized at the Annual IAAE Awards Ceremony and by the Illinois State Board of Education.

The 2012 Illinois Arts Education Week poster artwork entries must meet the following criteria:

- **Artist must be an Illinois student, grade K-8, public/private (2013 will be grade 9-12)**
- Any 2-D media accepted but no photography or electronic files
- No limit on colors used or number of entries per school
- Prefer 11"x17" or smaller
- On the back of entry, the student should include name, age, grade, art teacher, school and district, city, and completed Authorization Form.
- **Authorization Form (SEE BELOW)** must be signed and dated by parent/guardian and student. It should be attached to back of each entry.
- **Theme for this year is "BE ART SMART!"**
- **Students should write one sentence or more explaining their art work on back.**
- **THE IMAGERY SHOULD REFLECT THE THEME PLUS REPRESENT ALL FOUR ART AREAS (DANCE, DRAMA, MUSIC AND VISUAL ARTS). TEXT WILL BE PROFESSIONALLY TYPESET.**
- If the artwork is abstract please mark the TOP with an "X" on the back.
- **Entries must be postmarked by Wednesday, November 30, 2011***

ART TEACHERS:

- Enclose a pre-addressed return label OR a 3"x5" index card to enable tracking so the artwork can be returned. For schools that have multiple entries, please place the number of entries in the upper right hand corner of pre-addressed label/card.
- **Include your name & principal's name plus e-mail addresses, school, school dist. # and phone number or other contact information on label back/separate page.**
- **The following page has three Authorization Forms per page ready to print/copy.**

**Please send or deliver entries to:* Illinois Arts Education Week Poster Contest/Cornelia Powell
Illinois State Board of Education
Innovation & Improvement Division, N-242
100 North First Street
Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

Any questions please call 217/524-4832 (ISBE) or e-mail Cornelia Powell: cpowell@isbe.net

Authorization Form

I hereby authorize the Illinois State Board of Education, Governor's Office, and the Illinois Alliance for Arts Education to use artwork of student named below for the 2012 Illinois Arts Education Week project.

Student's Name (please print): _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name (please print): _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Home Phone: _____ Date: _____

Home Address: _____

Principal's Name: _____

Art teacher's name: _____

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