

MY SUPERHERO TEACHER ART CONTEST

SHOW US
WHAT YOU
IMAGINE

Look, up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane!
No, it's my teacher! The Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) is excited to announce the statewide **"MY SUPERHERO TEACHER"** student art contest. The contest is open to TRS reporting entities such as public and charter schools.

K-5 students may submit artwork depicting their superhero teachers in original art pieces. Artwork must be created manually in 2D mediums such as paints, watercolors, pencils, and crayons.

Please include the student's name and school on the back of the artwork and be sure to fill out the parent's permission form.

All submitted artwork goes on our Facebook contest page Oct. 5 -16, 2015. Be sure to view and vote at www.facebook.com/teacherretirementsystemoftexas.

GRADES
K-5

CONTEST OPENS
SEPT. 1 -
OCT. 1, 2015

The winning artwork will be featured on the cover of a major TRS publication and the student will be recognized formally by the TRS Board of Trustees and given an award.

EMAIL SUBMISSIONS TO
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mail to Amber Conrad, 1000 Red
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Teacher Retirement System of Texas
“My Superhero Teacher” Art Contest Release



September 2015

Dear Parents:

The Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) is honored to receive your child’s artwork, and we look forward to entering it into our **Superhero Teacher** art contest Sept. 1 – Oct. 1, 2015. As stated in the contest poster, each submission will be featured in the TRS Facebook gallery. The winning artwork will be included on the cover of the agency’s 2015 *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.

In order to use your child’s artwork for our Facebook contest and in an agency publication, we must receive confirmation that your minor child is voluntarily participating in this contest and that you consent to TRS’ use of their submitted artwork. By signing below, you are also conveying your approval for TRS to scan and slightly alter (size, focus, etc.) your child’s artwork for publication purposes. Thank you for helping us meet this obligation.

Please sign the bottom portion of this page and email or mail it to:
Amber Conrad, Teacher Retirement System of Texas, 1000 Red River Street, Austin, Texas 78701
amber.conrad@trs.texas.gov

Thank you so much for your cooperation!

Sincerely,

Amber Conrad

Please sign below. Your student’s artwork, along with this form, must be postmarked or emailed no later than **5 p.m. on Oct. 1, 2015**. Please include the student’s name and school on the back of each artwork.

(School)

My child _____ has submitted artwork to TRS, which will be displayed on the [TRS Facebook page](#) and possibly in a major agency publication. I approve my child’s artwork being used by TRS as the agency sees fit for the purposes of this contest. I also give permission for this art (without name identification) to be displayed on the TRS website or in other agency publications and promotional materials.

Please indicate below if you would like to have your child’s original artwork returned.

Yes, I want my child’s artwork returned. I will include our address on the back of the artwork.

No, thank you. We are content to see it on Facebook and possibly in other agency publications.

Parent’s Signature



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TRS ANNOUNCES “MY SUPERHERO TEACHER” ART CONTEST SEPT. 1 - OCT. 1

AUSTIN – Look, up in the sky! It’s a bird! It’s a plane! No, it’s my teacher! The Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) is excited to announce the “My Superhero Teacher” statewide art contest for all K-5 students enrolled at reporting entities such as public and charter schools.

“All of us take great pride in our teachers and would like to reflect that in this year’s art contest,” said Brian Guthrie, TRS Executive Director. “We look forward to seeing how Texas elementary school students will represent their teachers as the superheroes they are every day.”

Students in grades K-5 are invited to submit artwork depicting their superhero teachers in original pieces. Artwork must be created using manual 2D mediums such as paints, watercolors, pencils, and crayons. Please include your child’s name and school on the back of each submission.

All entries must have a signed parental permission form with each entry. The contest begins Sept. 1. Submissions must be postmarked or emailed by **5 p.m. on Oct. 1**. TRS will hold a Facebook contest Oct. 5 – 16 to choose this year’s winning artwork. Teachers, school districts and local media will be notified of the winning piece. The finalist will be invited to Austin to be recognized by our board of trustees.

“I’m going to get markers and I’m going to get crayons and I’m going to draw my music teacher using her keyboard to control things like erasers and cars,” said contestant Alexis Hawbecker, 8.

The contest winner’s artwork will be on the cover of our 2015 *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. This report is viewed annually by thousands of TRS members, state officials and other interested parties across Texas. Artwork will also be placed online and in other TRS publications.

Please submit artwork and direct contest questions to amber.conrad@trs.texas.gov or by mail c/o Amber Conrad, 1000 Red River St. Austin, Texas 78701. For more information, please visit the contest page of the TRS Facebook site at www.facebook.com/TeacherRetirementSystemofTexas.

TRS delivers retirement and related benefits that have been authorized by the Texas Legislature and manages a \$132 billion trust fund established to finance member benefits. More than 1.4 million public education employees, higher education employees and retirees participate in the system. For additional details on TRS, visit www.trs.texas.gov.