



Student Art Contest

America at 250: What stories can we tell?

Submission Deadline: March 25, 2026 • 3 p.m.

In 2026, the United States turns 250 — a milestone born from the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Over the last two centuries, many voices and moments have shaped our country. Now it's your turn! Students in grades K–12 are invited to respond to the prompt: America at 250 — What stories can we tell? Dive into the beauty, the conflicts, and the bold spirit that make our nation's story unforgettable.

What? Submissions for visual and literary art related to the theme:

America at 250: What stories can we tell?

Student Submissions Guidelines:

- Each artist/writer may submit 1 piece - either visual (drawing, photography, painting, textiles, print-making, etc.) or literary (music lyrics, monologue, theatre, poetry, etc.).
 - Visual responses must be no larger than 36 inches by 48 inches
 - Literary responses must fit into no more than 2 printed pages, double spaced, 12 pt., arial font.
- All responses must be physically submitted - no digital entries will be accepted.
- All work must be the student's original work - no AI products will be accepted.
- Artwork will be displayed for public viewing at the 2026 NNPS Social Studies Symposium on April 18, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

When and How? Submissions are due by March 23, 2026, at 3 p.m.

- Pre-K & Elementary School students should submit their entries to their classroom teacher.
- High School & Middle School students should submit their entries to their Social Studies Teacher.

Questions?

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