

2026 Guidelines for Submission – Art

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS

All entries must be submitted by **Friday, February 6, 2026** through your School Coordinator. Earlier is good.

Criteria for Evaluation of Artwork:

ORIGINALITY (very important); reproducibility; care and strength of execution and technique; appeal to viewer.

RULES FOR SUBMITTING

(We will not be accepting submissions through Exposures.com this year)

- Submit up to four (4) total submissions through your School Coordinator. Four submissions per student will be accepted including both writing and art. No group projects, please.
- Keep a copy for yourself.
- **PRINT your Name, Grade, and “Control” Number on the back of your artwork.** Your school coordinator or art teacher will assign your Control Number.
- ★ Your school coordinator has a MASTER LIST with "control" numbers. You must sign the statement of originality on this list and include **your name and grade**. No made-up “pen names.” Please make sure your information on the Master List is legible. Very important!
- **Your artwork must be able to fit on a copy machine to be usable. If your artwork is larger than the area of a photocopier, it is too big to submit!** Instead, take a photo and submit it digitally instead, but please also include a paper copy for identification purposes.
- You may submit paintings, pen & ink drawings, pencil drawings, linoprints, conventional or digital photographs, or computer artwork. If submitting digital works please also include a hard copy with your name, grade, and school. Digital works should be of high quality (at least 300 dpi preferred) jpg, tif, PNG or eps format.
- If your medium is 3-dimensional, such as weavings, sculpture, jewelry or pottery, you may submit a high-quality, well-lit photograph of your work. **DO NOT SUBMIT THE 3-DIMENSIONAL ITEM ITSELF!** The photograph will be your original. If your photograph is digital, you must include a hard copy AND digital copy in case there are problems or questions.
- Please note that color work is welcomed but may be printed in black and white. For the cover, text will be added electronically.
- ★ **If your work is selected, you will be notified and we will need the ORIGINAL artwork such as paintings or drawings for the show at the Leelanau School on May 1-2, 2026. Your School Coordinator will help organize this.**