

The Patriot-News Scholastic Art Awards Judging Rubric 2008

Value Originality in Process, Conception and Subject Matter

- 5 Highly original, creative, unique, complex
- 4 Reasonably original and creative, medium complexity
- 3 Adequate for age level, but not outstanding in originality or complexity
- 2 Unoriginal; tendency toward cliché
- 1 Possibly copied in whole or in idea

Skill/Technique – Successful use of Medium

- 5 Utilization of materials is clean, technically correct, and exceptional evidence of experimentation with medium and willingness to be inventive and to take risks
- 4 Execution is competent, without any obvious errors; some experimentation evident
- 3 Minor problems are evident in use/application of materials; little inventiveness
- 2 Major problems evident – materials are not used competently or inventively
- 1 Incorrect; incompetent use of medium

Expression

- 5 Exceedingly successful aesthetic presentation; demands attention and admiration; evidence of personal vision/style; expresses feeling and/or concepts well
- 4 Successful presentation, unusual for age level; stimulates serious observation; evidence of personal vision and expression
- 3 Aesthetically pleasing, good work for age level; somewhat expressive
- 2 Rather mediocre for age level, does not compel attention; minimal visual expression
- 1 Unappealing use of medium; lacks style and expression

Presentation

Does artwork meet Scholastic's criteria (matting, protection, completion, etc.)?