



# Spring 2024 MFLA Visual Arts Contest Application information

The application, artwork, and required forms must be submitted no later than  
**April 30, 2024 at 11:59PM.**

The purpose of the contest is to engage world language teachers and their students in a visual interpretation of the theme **WHY IS LEARNING ANOTHER LANGUAGE IMPORTANT?**

- This contest is open to **students of current MFLA Members at the elementary, middle, high school or post-secondary level.**
- Sponsoring teachers must be current MFLA members as of the date of submission. If you are unsure of your membership status, please contact us at [MFLAawards@gmail.com](mailto:MFLAawards@gmail.com)
- A winner will be selected at each level. Each first place winner will receive a cash award of \$50.
- In addition, there will be an overall winner whose artwork will become the cover of the MFLA Fall Conference program. This artist will receive an additional award of \$50.
- Winners will be contacted through their teacher and be invited to a special event at the MFLA Fall Conference.
- Teachers should notify MFLA if the winning student changes schools.
- The sponsoring teacher of the overall winner will receive a free one-year MFLA membership renewal.

## Guidelines

- The visual interpretation of WHY IS LEARNING ANOTHER LANGUAGE IMPORTANT? may be hand-drawn (use only one 8½ x 11 piece of plain white paper, portrait orientation), or artwork may be created digitally.
    - All submissions must be original student work. Copyrighted or plagiarized images will not be accepted and the student will be disqualified.
    - Any included text must be accurate and error-free. Please check spelling. •
- Schools are limited to **five entries** per level (elementary, middle, high, or post-secondary). Each entry must include the following information to be submitted via Google Forms (see link below).:
- Student's name, grade, language and level, and student's email address •
  - School name, county or school district, school address, school phone number •
  - Teacher's first and last names & email address

## SELECTION CRITERIA

- All entries will be evaluated using the following criteria:
  - Theme relevance (20 points)
  - Visual impact (20 points)
  - Neatness and spelling accuracy (20 points)

- Originality (20 points)
- Adherence to guidelines (20 points)

## Submission procedure

- The Google Form application must be completed by the teacher.

<https://forms.gle/Su9rPGvFq852CmaCA>

- The documents below must be downloaded, then signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Google forms application by the teacher.

1. Teacher membership verification form:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Y21mu3cTbXdcRibYM2mIHBYF0VAlAmgmbtoUNp9RZk0/edit?usp=sharing> The student name and the teacher name must appear in the file name. (For example: Student Mary Jones\_Teacher John Smith)

2. The second form is a media consent and must be signed by a parent or a guardian if the student is under the age of 18. Click below to download.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jkOWEHiv-Jk0haOeRCxawU75pVzIAE60/edit?usp=sharing&oid=116951381570011543751&rtpof=true&sd=true> The student name and the teacher name must appear in the file name. (For example: Student Mary Jones\_Teacher John Smith)

- The teacher will scan the student artwork and upload it to the Google forms application. The student name and the teacher name must appear in the file name. (For example: Student Mary Jones\_Teacher John Smith)

**IMPORTANT:** Late entries will not be accepted. Entries that do not meet specified criteria or that have spelling errors (in any language) will be disqualified. **Students whose teachers are not members of MFLA by April 30, 2024 by 11:59PM will be disqualified.**