

Deadline to register for Student Art Exhibition December 1

Teachers who want their students to participate in the annual Student Art Exhibition are encouraged to register by December 1. Teachers may register their estimated number of participating students by completing the form at: bit.ly/SAEREG2023-24. Digital artwork is due January 19, 2024.

Scheduled for the month of March, which is California Arts in Education Month (AEM), the Student Art Exhibition is open to those in grades PK-12. For the entire month of March, student artwork will be displayed in an online public gallery.

In the past, entries were judged by local artists to receive a Best of Show award. This year, event coordinators are asking each school to nominate two Best of Show pieces. Teachers will compile

their students' votes and inform event coordinators of their top two works of art. Best of Show honors will be posted at the end of March.

Also this year, videos and digital images of Tulare County students engaged in all five arts disciplines (dance, media arts, music, theatre, and visual arts) will be added to the online gallery. Teachers interested in submitting their students' work for the special AEM exhibition are encouraged to contact Kate Stover at kate.stover@tcoe.org.

For more information on the Student Art Exhibition, visit www.tcoe.org/StudentArt.

Photo above:

Educators are encouraged to register to participate in the annual Student Art Exhibition by December 1. All student artwork, which is due January 19, will be displayed digitally in an online gallery during the month of March.

Educators invited to register middle and high school students for annual Poetry Live! event



The registration deadline for Poetry Live! – the program which includes Poetry Out Loud and Poet's Own Voice for middle and high school students – is **December 8**. Cash prizes are presented to the top students in the Poetry Out Loud and Poet's Own Voice competitions.

Poetry Out Loud (POL) is the county's poetry recitation event for middle school (grades 6-8) and high school (grades 9-12) students. Participating schools will hold their own POL competitions next month or early January, crowning a school champion who will move on to the Tulare County Poetry Out Loud event in February. From the county event, one middle school and one high school student will be chosen as champions. The high school champion will advance to the state – and potentially – the national POL competitions.

Introduced last year, Poet's Own Voice is open to middle school and high school students (grades 6-12) and features two ways to participate. The first is a written event in which students submit five original works. Judges will determine the top piece from each student, as well as rank all pieces to determine the top three poems in the competition overall. In the showcase portion of the event, students can choose to recite

their top original work in front of an audience. From the showcase event, the Tulare County Youth Poet Laureate will be crowned.

Middle schools and high schools interested in participating in any of the Poetry Live! events must register by December 8. For more information or to register, visit tcoe.org/Poetrylive.

The county competitions in each event will be held February 2, 2024, at the Arts Consortium, 300 E. Oak Ave., Visalia.

Photo above:

Audrey Reis (left) and Sabrina Castillo (right) were the winners in the 2023 Poet's Own Voice and Poetry Out Loud competitions, respectively. Educators must register to participate in the Poetry Live! competition for 2024 by December 8.

Around the County

Redwood High School volleyball wins regionals, falls in state championship game

The Redwood High School volleyball team ended their season as state runners-up after falling 3-0 to No. 13 Ripon Christian in the CIF State Girls Volleyball Division III Championship game Saturday at Santiago Canyon College in Orange. The scores of the sets were 26-24. 25-19, and 25-15.



Redwood reached

the state title game after winning the CIF State Girls Volleyball Division III SoCal

Regional Championship last Tuesday at home. No. 2 Redwood defeated No. 4 Del Norte of San Diego 3-1 for the regional title.

This season, Redwood went 36-7 overall and were East Yosemite League champions with a perfect 10-0 record.

Photo above:

Redwood High School volleyball pose with their trophy after falling to Ripon Christian in the CIF State Girls Volleyball Division III Championship game Saturday at Santiago Canyon College in Orange.

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