Washington, DC 20515

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Congressional Art Competition
Mid-Contest Updates and Reminders!!!

Dear Colleague,

As the 2005 Congressional Art Competition quickly progresses, there are a few issues and modifications we'd like to bring to your attention. In addition, we'd like to remind the participating offices about some of the key rules governing the Art Competition.

- **Registration**: Although we were not at first going to ask that each participating office submit a registration form, this year's growing number of participants and spatial limitations require that we have a count of offices that will be submitting a piece of artwork. We ask that you please send an e-mail to artcompetition2005@mail.house.gov that includes the Member's name and the name and contact information of the staffer responsible for the Art Competition within your office.

- **Size Guidelines**: **Please reiterate to the participants in your district that each piece of artwork can be no larger than 32 inches x 32 inches *framed.*** Each piece must be framed according to the framing guidelines and fall within those size limitations.

- **Student Information/Release Form and Adhesive Label**: Please check that a Student Information/Release form is submitted with the piece of art, and that the Adhesive Label within the Guidelines is attached. Please note that "Medium" has recently been added to the adhesive label (available on both of our Congressional Webpages) and should be included when the artwork is submitted.

- **Content**: In light of the fact that artwork will be displayed in the Cannon Tunnel, please be sure to evaluate the content of each piece of artwork. In addition, it is important to remind participants they are not allowed to include copyrighted images in their artwork (i.e. CD labels, magazine ads, etc). Pieces that replicate copyrighted works will not be approved by the jurying committee.

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- **All artwork must be submitted on June 3, 2005.** Each district winner's piece of art must be submitted on June 3, 2005 to 505 Cannon. Staff will be there throughout the day to check in the artwork and make sure that a Student Information/Release form and Adhesive Label are included. Artwork submitted after June 3, 2005 will not be accepted. If you plan on mailing the artwork to Washington, please be sure to give yourself ample time.

Thank you for your attention to these changes and reminders. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Ryan McKee in Congressman Fossella's office (ryan.mckee@mail.house.gov , 202.225.3371) or Clint Carte in Congresswoman Sánchez's office (clint.carte@mail.house.gov , 202.225.6676).

We look forward to working with you as the Competition progresses!

Sincerely,

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