



Rules and Guidelines

txEDCON (TASA/TASB)
YAM Spring Exhibition

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****Due to the growth in our Youth Art Month Programs, BOTH txEDCON and YAM Spring Exhibition will be juried.****

txEDCON (TASA/TASB) - selected artworks will be printed, matted, labeled and exhibited

YAM Spring Exhibition - District Representatives will be notified with specific shipping instructions for selected artworks.

Entry Fee: Each entry will be assessed a fee at **\$12 per piece**. This fee helps to cover the cost of printing and mailing of artwork, printing programs, certificates, etc.

Entries allotted will be based on the total number of enrolled students in your organization (Districts, Private Schools, Independent, Charter Schools, and Art Facilitators).

Throughout this document, the terminology of DISTRICT will refer to the organization as an entity and not necessarily an Independent School District (ISD).

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY FOR TAEA SPONSORED PROGRAMS/EXHIBITS

Registration of all artwork is done by ONE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE. If you are the representative for your district, please contact your colleagues so all artwork can be submitted together.

After online registration is complete, please proofread **ALL** data entered. Check to make sure all names, addresses, and email addresses are entered correctly, using normal punctuation and capitalizations. **DO NOT USE ALL CAPS OR ALL LOWERCASE LETTERS WHEN ENTERING DATA.** All artwork labels, mailing labels, certificates, program contents and publications are generated from the online entry typing.

Please upload one high quality image of each student artwork and the corresponding electronically completed Student Artwork Permission Form to the appropriate dashboard on the TAEA website for txEDCON (TASA/TASB) or YAM Spring Exhibition by the deadline.

Use the **CURRENT** student artwork permission form (accessible in the YAM Book and on the [TAEA website](#)). Do not use older versions of any forms and complete ALL forms digitally (TYPED).

Rules and Guidelines for Entries:

Over 25,000 students, 8 (eight) entries: \$96.00
10,000 to 25,000 students, 6 (six) entries: \$72.00
Less than 10,000 students, 3 (three) entries: \$36.00

Remember that participation in both YAM Programs is one of the many requirements for District of Distinction (DOD) honors. Please note that YAM and DOD requirements are DIFFERENT. For specific questions and clarification on DOD Guidelines, please visit www.taea.org.

REQUIREMENTS:

- A teacher who is a **current** TAEA Member may submit ONE artwork. Teachers who teach on more than one campus may submit one artwork per campus.
- Students in grades Pre-K through 12 may participate.
- Individual entries only - **NO GROUP PROJECTS**
- **Neat, high quality student work created within the current calendar year should be submitted/sent.**
- **NO COPY WORK or plagiarism. In keeping with the TEKS, artwork must be original in thought, design, and execution. Copying or reproducing a published image is not original and will not be selected.**
- **No sharp or protruding parts that would be dangerous to handle (2D or 3D).**
- Students' own photographs or student-directed photographs may be used as a source; **teacher's photographs should not be used.**
- Photographs that are painted or drawn over must be in the student's original or student directed photograph, not one that has been published.
- Images should not be traced with any use of projection devices.
- **All entries must be created solely and exclusively by the student artist.**
 - No one other than the artist of record may work directly on or manipulate any artwork entered in YAM Spring Exhibition or txEDCON; this includes parents, teachers/sponsors, private teachers, mentors or other collaborators.
- **Artwork submitted for YAM Spring Exhibition or txEDCON may only be entered for one TAEA Program (including VASE). If an artwork is selected/exhibited, the same artwork may not be re-entered in another TAEA Program.**
- **Artwork content must be appropriate for the school, community and for young audiences.**

2D FLAT WORK

- **if artwork is selected for the Spring Exhibition, please fix charcoal and pastels**
 - **WHITE OR BLACK MAT ONLY.** (no posterboard, no acetate, no frames or glass).

- Ensure artwork is securely matted (no thinner than 2 in, no wider than 3 in.) with a secure backing of cardboard or mat board.
- **NO WOOD or HEAVY CANVASES** (this artwork will not be displayed as the panels are made for lightweight artwork).

3D MEDIA

- **if artwork is selected for the Spring Exhibition, it will be shipped or delivered to be displayed in person**
 - must fit into a 6"x12"x12" box weighing no more than 12 lbs.
 - must be sturdy and able to stand alone without support.
 - All parts must be safely secured to a base and ready for immediate installation.
- **Incomplete registrations (missing artwork images and/or permission forms) will be disqualified and labeled as a DQ.**
- **Artworks with questionable content or has been found to be copied/plagiarized will be disqualified and labeled as a DQ.**
- **All registrations, regardless of disqualification status, must be paid by the responsible party.**

****NO FIXES AFTER DEADLINE!****

LABELING (for YAM Spring Exhibition Only):

- **After the registration deadline, all entries will be juried and District Representatives will be notified of selected artworks and given specific packing/mailling instructions provided by the YAM VP.**
- **Make two (2) copies of the completed student artwork permission form. Attach the original to the artwork and keep one for your records.**
 - Ship ALL district entries in a sturdy, reusable box to prevent shipping damage. **Please use the smallest box possible that is appropriate for the size of the entries for storage purposes.**
 - **2D** - a posterboard box is ideal
 - **3D** - maximum 6"x12"x12" weighing no more than 12 lbs
- **In a large envelope, place the following (place INSIDE of the artwork box).**
 - One copy of completed student artwork permission form for **EACH** artwork
 - District Artwork Inventory List
 - Thumbnail images of all artwork submitted