Awesome Arts Festival

"Bloom Where You Are Planted"

April 11, 2026 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Wiltsey Middle School

1450 E. G Street Ontario, CA 91764

(Awesome Arts Gallery will be located in the MPR)



OMSD is proud to host the Awesome Arts Festival! The theme for all entries is "Bloom Where You Are Planted." We encourage all students to draw inspiration from nature to create artwork that reflects growth, hope and beauty, where nature serves as a metaphor to help students connect their inner growth to the natural world around them. Teachers and parents are encouraged to enter their students' work and showcase their artistic talents to their corresponding school sites. Class time may be allowed, but students may need to work outside of class to complete their entry.

ENTRY CATEGORIES:

Drawing & Painting

Digital Photography

3D Design

ELIGIBILITY:

- Open to all OMSD students, Preschool through Grade 8
- Only ONE entry per student, created specifically for this contest
- Entries MUST be the work of the individual student
- Entries MUST reflect the theme: "Bloom Where You Are Planted"
- Entries must follow the specifications below
- Failure to adhere to the eligibility criteria may result in disqualification

JUDGING CRITERIA	GRADE LEVELS			
 Canvas or mounted on matte board Suggested mediums for drawing and painting: chalk, colored pencils, watercolor, pencil, oil paint, markers, acrylic paints, etc. No framed entries 3-D printed art must not exceed 8.5" x 11" size Maximum size for entries in other categories is 12" X 18" 	Entries will be grouped as follows:			
	PK	1st	4th	7th
		2nd	5th	8th
	К	3rd	6th	
	*Students with special needs may participate in both grade level and program type entries. To be entered, both must be marked on the Permission/Entry Form.			
	SDC Mild to Moderate Support Needs		SDC Extensive Support Needs	

SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES (DEADLINE):

• End of the day on Wednesday, February 25, 2026: Submit entry to your student's school office – during office hours (varies by school - please check hours of operation).

<u>NOTE:</u> Each entry must have the *completed Permission/Entry Form* securely attached to the back of each entry. Entries will **not be accepted** without the *completed Permission/Entry Form*.

RETURN OF ENTRIES:

- Entries may be claimed at the student's school site starting Monday, April 27, 2026.
- Entries not claimed may be discarded.
- Some entries may be retained for publicity purposes.

RECOGNITION:

- All eligible entries will receive a certificate of participation from their school site.
- The 1st place winner for each of the entry category and grade level will be recognized at the STEAM Awards Ceremony in the WAT Center.
- All families and students are invited to attend the STEAM Awards Ceremony.

LIABILITY:

While all possible care is taken to safeguard the entries, OMSD does not assume any responsibility for loss or damage. Submitting an entry to this contest implies an agreement on the part of the participant and parent.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED:

- The <u>completed</u> Permission/Entry Form must be submitted by attaching it to the back of the entry. The form requires a parent signature. Any entry submitted without a parent signature will not be considered.
- By signing the Entry Form, parent is consenting to:
 - Display of student's entry for public viewing
 - o Photograph/video of the student and/or entry for publicity purposes

NOTE: ALL ELIGIBLE ENTRIES WILL BE PLACED ON PUBLIC DISPLAY

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Permission/Entry Form

First Name:	Last Name:			
School:	Teacher's Name:			
Title of your art project (optional):				
Category: (Select ONE) Student ID#:				
Drawing and PaintingDigital Phot	ography - 3D Design			
Grade: PK TK K Ist 2nd 3rd	4th - 5th - 6th - 7th - 8th			
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Program Type (If Applicable):				
□ SDC-Mild to Moderate Support Needs □ SDC Extensive Support Needs				
Contact information is necessary to notify	parents/guardians and student winners			
By submitting this Permission/Entry Form, I am agreeing to t my student's entry displayed for public view. I am also cons my student's entry for publicity purposes.				
Parent/Guardian Name:	Phone Number: ()			
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:			
Parent/Guardian Email:				
Please complete all sections of this Permission/Entry Fo	orm. Incomplete applications will not be considered.			

- Securely attach this Permission/Entry Form to the back of the entry.
- All entries must be received by Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at the student's school site
- Contact Jaquenette Green at (909)418-6422 or jaquenette.green@omsd.net if you have any questions.
- Student artwork may be retained for publicity purposes.