



SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY – ESSEX VICINAGE

2020 LAW DAY

ART CONTEST RULES

Instructions: Thank you for your interest in the 2020 Law Day Art Contest
Please register online at <http://www.njcourts.gov/courts/vicinages/essex/lawday.html>

Theme: Your Vote, Your Voice, Our Democracy: The 19th Amendment at 100

"In 2019-2020, the United States is commemorating the centennial of the transformative constitutional amendment that guaranteed the right of citizens to vote would not be denied or abridged by the United States or any state on account of sex. American women fought for, and won, the vote through their voice and action. The women's suffrage movement forever changed America, expanding representative democracy and inspiring other popular movements for constitutional change and reform. Yet, honest reflection on the suffrage movement reveals complexity and tensions over race and class that remain part of the ongoing story of the Nineteenth Amendment and its legacies. The Law Day 2020 theme urges all of us to explore these legacies while also encouraging citizens to exercise their rights and responsibilities as voters."

Excerpt from the American Bar Association Law Day website
https://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_education/law-day/

Resources: Teachers, coordinators or students may visit the following websites to obtain additional information regarding the 2020 Law Day theme and the 19th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

- www.lawday.org
- <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/womenshistory/teach-19th-amendment.htm>
- <http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/suffrage/history2.htm>
- <https://constitutioncenter.org/interactive-constitution/amendment/amendment-xix>

Content: The Art Contest is open to **all Essex County students**. Submissions should incorporate the Law Day 2020 theme and depict images pertaining to the theme as it relates to the court through the students' artistic expression. Submissions should be the students' original work. We have listed below some suggested content to get the students started. Submissions are not limited to the suggestions found below.

- 1) Illustrate or depict what "our democracy" looks like. For example: bull horns, the use of written word, books, people speaking, protests, graffiti, the American flag, representation of the 19th amendment, voter polls, suffrage badges/buttons, protest banner or a design postal stamp.
- 2) Illustrate or depict a landmark event in U.S. history that encompasses this year's theme. Illustrations can depict a current or historic event. For example: Women's March, publication of influential books, etc.
- 3) Illustrate or depict what society might look like without the 19th Amendment.
- 4) An advertisement that expresses what makes "Your Vote, Your Voice, Our Democracy" significant.

Format: Acceptable forms of submissions include:

- 1) Poster (**minimum of 12" x 18" but should NOT exceed 16" x 20"**)
- 2) Sculpture (**maximum size 18" x 18" but should not weigh more than 5 lbs.**)

Art Contest submissions may include mixed media such as magazine, newspaper, fabric, paint, marker, pencil or computer generated images.

Judging: Submissions will be judged on the incorporation of the 2020 Law Day theme, overall presentation and originality. First place, second place, third place and honorable mention(s) will be selected. Winners will be acknowledge at an award ceremony that will take place on Friday, May 29, 2020.

Identification: Attach a label or clearly print the following information on each submission:

- (1) Title of artwork (if applicable)
- (2) Student's name
- (3) Student's grade and age
- (4) School or group name
- (5) Teacher or group coordinator name

Deadline: Submissions accepted **now until March 13, 2020.**

Disclaimer: All entries become the property of the Superior Court of New Jersey - Essex Vicinage. Students are encouraged to keep copies of their entries. Images from selected submissions may be displayed in Judiciary publications and/or the website. Entries will not be used for commercial purposes.

Submissions: **Mail or personally deliver*** to:

Superior Court of New Jersey - Essex Vicinage
Office of the Ombudsman /
Information & Community Relations Center
50 West Market Street - Room 132
Newark, NJ 07102

Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. There is metered parking on W. Market Street. The office is located on the first floor of the Veterans Courthouse, next to the security checkpoint. Parking is also available in the lot on South Orange Avenue for fee.

**** When sending bulk submissions please include a copy of the registration form so we can identify the entries and ensure we can acknowledge the appropriate students.***