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Idaho Students Invited to Celebrate the Holiday Season with 2023 Card Contest

(BOISE) – Idaho students will once again have the chance to put their best holiday artwork on display with the Idaho State Department of Education’s 2023 Holiday Card Contest. This year’s contest will feature a division for students in grades K-6 and another for students in grades 7-12.

Winning entries from each grade level will be selected for display on the Idaho State Department of Education website. From these, two overall winners will be selected: one from the K-6 division and one from the 7-12 division. The winning pieces will be used on the department’s official holiday cards and the winning artists will receive cards for their own personal use.

“To say that my staff and I are eager to see what our talented young artists have to offer this year is definitely an understatement,” said Superintendent of Public Instruction Debbie Critchfield. “This is such a fun way for our classrooms to get into the holiday spirit, and I know we’re going to see some amazing work this year.”

All Idaho public and charter school students in kindergarten through 12th grade are encouraged to participate. Drawings should reflect holiday or winter scenes and must not include copyrighted images. All submissions should be 8.5” x 11” and should be hand-drawn in either vertical or horizontal orientation. Digital submissions must be scanned and submitted as a PDF. Photography, videos or digitally-made entries will not be accepted.

Mailed entries should be addressed to the Idaho State Department of Education, Attn: Tara Kleffner, P.O. Box 83720, Boise 83720-0027.

Students may create their submissions using watercolors, colored paper, markers, crayons or a combination thereof. Pencil drawings and fabric designs are not suitable for the card printing process.

Submissions must be received or postmarked by Friday, November 17.

[Click here](#) to read the complete contest guidelines, view last year’s winner or access the digital submission form.

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Attached: Last year’s winning holiday card art by Brynlee Parce, Spalding STEM Academy