

# **TASL Bookmark Contest 2021**

# FAQs

#### Who may enter the contest?

- Any current member of TASL
- Non-member libraries are not eligible.

## What if I am a district supervisor or work in multiple schools?

• Any member may submit a maximum of THREE entries per division for each school they serve.

### What if I am not a member of TASL?

• Join now! Visit <u>www.tasltn.org</u>

## How do I run the contest at my school?

- Working with classroom or art teachers
- Have students work on their entries during library time or free time.
- Promote this school wide contest and offer prizes for winners in your school.

### What grade levels make up the divisions?

- Primary is grades K -2.
- Intermediate is grades 3 5.
- Middle is grades 6 8.
- High is grades 9 12.

### Can all grade levels submit a digital art entry?

• All levels may either submit a hand drawn or digital entry.

#### How are entries to be submitted?

- All entries, including digital art, must be scanned and submitted via the 2021 TASL Bookmark Contest Entry Form. You will have the option to upload a JPG or PNG OR you may share a link to a shared folder of your submissions. No entries need to be mailed this year.
- All entries must be submitted by February 19, 2020
- Submit your entries here.

### What are the criteria that the judges will use?

Entries in each category will be considered using the following as guidelines for scoring:

- Creativity
- Execution of the theme: "School libraries are best for all" (The wording should be included in the design of the bookmark)
- Artistic use of materials (digital art, paint, crayon, etc.)
- The entry is completed correctly, with all information and a parent signature visible.

### What information do I need to submit an entry?

- <u>The contest template for photocopying is here.</u>
- Each entry needs the student's name, grade, school, school address, the member librarian's name and email address.
- We also ask for a parent/guardian signature for publicity and privacy purposes. Entries without a parent/guardian signature will be disqualified.
- In loco parentis signatures are acceptable for boarding schools or similar situations.
- We recommend that you fill out as much of the entry with school information as possible before photocopying for student distribution.

### What do I do with the entries once I've scanned them?

- Please hold on to your entries and store them in a safe place until the winners are announced. Winning entries may need to be mailed or scanned at a higher resolution for printing.
- Once the winners are announced, you can decide what you'd like to do with your entries.

### What are the prizes?

1<sup>st</sup> place winners receive:

- Students: a \$25 cash award and 50 bookmarks of their own design
- School librarians: 200 bookmarks of the winning design and an enlargement of their bookmark
- An award certificate

Honorable mention recipients receive:

- Students: 25 bookmarks of their design
- School librarians: 100 bookmarks of their design
- An enlargement of their bookmark
- An award certificate

# How do schools publicize their school's winners?

- Immediately following the judging, emails are sent to the Librarians who have winning or honorable mention bookmarks.
- As soon as all winners have been contacted each School Librarian will be provided with a model press release to send out to their local news media sources, district communications department.
- It is the responsibility of the school librarian to provide more in depth ceremonies, interviews and news coverage. Please use #TASLTN when sharing on social media.
- TASL will gladly help out with information to encourage news events.
- TASL encourages members to send any new articles about this event for inclusion in the

TASL newsletter and at the TASL conference.

Questions?

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