



2020 Art Submission Checklist

When preparing for the Congressional Art Competition, please complete the following checklist. This will ensure that the Congressional Art Competition staff will accept the artwork. Please consult the official rules and regulations for more information.

This checklist is based on the rules and regulations that apply to the Congressional Art Competition generally. Each Member of Congress may institute other requirements in addition to these.

Requirements for All Students, Parents/Guardians, and Teachers:

- The artwork is no larger than **26" x 26" x 4"** when framed. (Note: Submissions should not be framed. The South Dakota Arts Council will have artwork framed prior to sending to Washington, DC. Students should allow at least 1-inch around each side for framing)
- The artwork meets suitability and originality rules.
- The "Student Information and Release Form" is typed and attached to the **SAME** email as the image of the artwork. Submit high-resolution images. Email to rebecca.cruse@state.sd.us.
- The release form has signatures from the student, parent/guardian (if necessary), and an art teacher.
- The submission is emailed by midnight on **Monday, April 20**.

Requirements for the Winning Student and Parents/Guardians:

- Remove all labels, ribbons, matting, framing, etc.
- Ship to Rebecca Cruse at the South Dakota Arts Council by Friday, April 21 (must be received by April 28).
- Make sure artwork is no larger than **26" x 26" x 4"** and does not weigh more than 15 pounds, **including the frame**. (SDAC will have work framed and will need at least 1 inch around for framing)*
- Draw arrows on the back of the artwork to indicate which direction is "up" if necessary.

Requirements for Congressional Offices:

- Submit the winner's name, contact information, and artwork information to the Congressional Institute by May 7.
- Package the artwork and ship it to Washington, DC, so that it arrives no later than May 20.
 - If the art is covered by glass, pack the art in such a way that the pane will not break. (Consult a shipping expert for assistance.)
 - Mail the artwork to the home of a DC staffer*, not directly to the congressional office.
- Confirm the second page of the Student Information and Release Form and the Member's Letter of Support, bearing the Member's original signature, are attached to the back of the artwork.