**Boiling Springs Middle School**

**Virtual Talent Show**

**What is it?**:

The BSMS Fine Arts Department wants to see you share your talent! Since we are unable to have a live talent show this year, we have decided instead to create a virtual talent show. In place of an audition, students will submit their artwork or video performance for pre-screening. A panel of judges will select finalists from among these submissions to be viewed virtually by students and their families at Boiling Springs Middle School.

Check out these examples of other virtual talent shows for inspiration!

From a middle school: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FJxUC5bKva8>

From an elementary school:<https://youtu.be/b6gw1Q9bNp0>

**Who can participate?**

ANYONE is welcome to participate! We encourage students, teachers, administration, and faculty to consider entering their submissions. Don’t be afraid to get your family members involved, either!

**What can I submit for the Virtual Talent Show?**

There are two entry formats:

1. Photo Submission: Used to submit visual art projects
2. Video Submission: Used to submit music, dance, or other live performance acts.

Please see the attached guidelines for photo and video submissions.

**When can I send in my submission?**

You may submit your video or artwork any time from Monday, May 4th beginning at 9:00a.m. through Wednesday, May 20th at 5:00p.m. Late submissions will not be considered for final viewing.

**How do I send in my submission?**

Artwork submission:  Submit artwork by taking a high quality photograph of your work and emailing the photo to Mrs. Curtis (laura.curtis@spart2.org). Finalist artwork will be compiled into a slideshow.

Video submission:  Video submissions will be submitted via Flipgrid. Record your video using the Flipgrid site/app, and submit it directly to the Virtual Talent Show Flipgrid. Responses will automatically be private when uploaded. Finalist videos will be made public.

**Artwork submission:**

Artwork options:

* 2-D and 3-D artworks (any materials/media accepted)
* You can submit work created in class, during the distance learning lessons, or in your own time
* Artwork must have been created within the last year (May 2019 - May 2020)

Artwork requirements:

* Creativity and originality
	+ Unique images, visuals, or design layout
	+ Artwork must be original and created by the student
* Unified composition and design
	+ The artwork appears complete and cohesive (all parts work well together)
	+ The artwork uses some of the principles and elements of design in an interesting way
* Quality and craftsmanship
	+ The artwork needs to appear neat and intentional, not rushed or sloppy
* Images in the artwork must be appropriate for school

How to submit artwork:

* Email the photo(s) of the artwork(s) as an attachment to Mrs. Curtis at (email address) by Wednesday, May 20, 2020
* Photo requirements:
	+ High quality image (focused, clear, and large file with visible details) taken with Chromebook, phone, or digital camera
	+ Artwork is centered and cropped with very little background space
	+ Artwork is not tilted or skewed in the photo
* 1-3 artworks can be submitted per student
* Artwork submissions MUST INCLUDE the student’s full name, grade level, and the materials/media used to create the artwork
* Artwork submitted that does not follow these rules will NOT be selected

**Video submission:**

Video options

* Think about what you might typically see during a talent show to get some ideas for your submission: singing, dancing, playing an instrument, acting, comedy, tumbling/gymnastics, skits, etc.
* Also consider unique options that you can do in your home environment: skateboard/bicycle stunts, cake decorating, cooking video. Don’t be afraid to think outside the box!

Video requirements

* Videos should be between 1-5minutes in length
* Submission clearly shows that an effort was made to submit the best quality performance.
* Should not contain any distracting noise or visuals:
	+ Ex: screaming or talking in the background, other people walking by in the video, dogs barking, etc.
* If using a backing track or accompaniment:
	+ Track is audible, and appropriately balanced with other voices, instruments, etc.
* Performances must be appropriate for school.

How to submit videos

* Videos must be submitted using Flipgrid
	+ Access the Virtual Talent Show Flipgrid here: <https://flipgrid.com/537f942c>
	+ Flipcode: bsmvirtualtalentshow
	+ Need help getting started with Flipgrid? Check out the separate info/FAQ page
* You can record directly into Flipgrid using the record option, or you can record and edit your video separately, and upload it into flipgrid when it’s done.
* Suggested apps/programs you can use:
	+ iPad/iPhone
		- iMovie
		- Garage Band (free)
	+ Smart phone:
		- acapella (free up to 30 sec. Otherwise, you can do a 7 day free trial and record more)- good for recording multiple parts.
	+ Chromebook
		- screencastify

**Neep help?**

If you are currently taking a fine arts class

* Please contact your teacher directly. They will be in touch to help you.

 If you are NOT currently taking a fine arts class

* For visual art submissions: email Mrs. Curtis at :
* For video submissions: email Mrs. Shiflett at :

We look forward to seeing your talent show entries!

Sincerely,

Boiling Springs Middle School Fine Arts Department

Ms. Debbie Cooper, Band

Mrs. Laura Curtis, Art

Mr. Evan Haight, Band

Mr. Joshua Miller, Orchestra

Mrs. Millie Shiflett, Chorus