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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

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To: Local Educational Agency Leads
Route To: Principals, Art Educators
From: Dr. Angelica Allen-McMillan, Ed.D., Acting Commissioner

Hope, Healing, and Resilience Through the COVID-19 Pandemic Student Art Showcase & Installation Project

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is pleased to announce the launch of a dedicated space on the NJDOE's website that will host student artwork with the theme of *Hope, Healing, and Resilience through the COVID-19 Pandemic*. This space will serve both as a reminder that our students used their talent and creativity in the wake of the pandemic and expressed positive messages of hope, healing, resilience, and perseverance through visual art.

The NJDOE, in collaboration with Arts Ed NJ and the Art Educators of New Jersey, wishes to express a hearty 'thank you' to all of the students who submitted their individual expressions of hope, healing, and resilience through the COVID-19 pandemic. Students from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade statewide submitted more than 1,400 works of art.

More information, including the digital showcase, can be found at the [Hope, Healing, and Resilience Through the COVID 19 Pandemic](#) website. Please email ArtHeals@doe.nj.gov with questions or comments.

We look forward to digitally showcasing all artwork received from our students throughout the state.

c: Members, State Board of Education
NJDOE Staff
Statewide Parent Advocacy Network
Garden State Coalition of Schools
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