2020 Art Takes a Bus Ride
Art Competition for San Mateo County Students Grades 1 through 12

Sponsored by the San Mateo County Transit District and the San Mateo County Office of Education

This year’s theme: **Ride for the Planet, Ride SamTrans**

All of us must do our part to protect our environment. One way to do that is to use public transit services like SamTrans. We invite student artists in San Mateo County to show us how they think SamTrans can help protect our planet and everything that lives on it.

Create a visual art piece (drawing, painting, etc) that shows what SamTrans can do for the environment. Be creative and have fun!

**PARTICIPATION:** Student work will be judged against others in the same grade.

**Note:** For fairness, artwork must be created by students only.

**SIZE OF ART WORK:** Artwork is to be created on **9 inches high x 12 inches wide white paper in a horizontal orientation** to fit on the scanner used for making the wrap. No exceptions – submissions not meeting these requirements will not be considered.

**MEDIA:** Media can be tempera and/or acrylic paint, crayon, felt pen, colored pencil, pastel, watercolor, collage (paper and/or cloth) and mixed media. The use of bold, rich color is encouraged! To view the artwork of previous winners, visit [www.samtrans.com/artbus](http://www.samtrans.com/artbus).

The student’s name, grade, school and teacher must be on the back of the artwork to be considered.

**RELEASE FORM:** All artwork must be accompanied by the Release Form on the next page. Please have the form **signed by parent or guardian** for all students participating in the competition (make as many copies as you need). If you have further questions, please call Amanda Lee at **650-802-5404** or e-mail her at **Alee@smcoe.org**.

**DELIVERY OF ARTWORK:** All entries must be delivered FLAT (not rolled or folded) to Amanda Lee at the San Mateo County Office of Education, 101 Twin Dolphin Drive, Redwood City, CA 94065, **up until April 3, 2020. (Office hours are 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.)**

**JUDGING:** All entries are judged on creativity, artistic merit and interpretation of the theme. All decisions are final. Winners will be notified by e-mail and from their school.
**RECOGNITION:** A total of 12 winners will be selected from all the grades. The winners will be recognized at the **June 2020** SamTrans Board of Directors meeting.

**Release Form**

*Artwork submitted without a completed release form will not be considered.*

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First Name     Last Name       Grade 

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School

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District

Teacher

I, _____________________________, hereby give and grant to the San Mateo County Transit District free and unlimited right to use, distribute, publish and republish, for any and all news, trade, publicity, commercial or other advertising purposes, artwork submitted by my child named above for the **2020 Art Takes a Bus Ride** competition. In addition, the San Mateo County Transit District has the free and unlimited right to use photos of my child taken in conjunction with the competition for any and all news, trade, publicity, commercial or other advertising purposes.

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Parent/Guardian Signature      Date

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Street Address       City/Zip

E-mail Address