

February 2, 2010

Dear Teacher,

The Tempe Municipal Court is sponsoring the 6th annual Law Day art contest for Tempe students.

**The 2010 Law Day theme is entitled:
Courtrooms of the 21st Century**

Your mission, should you decide to accept it, is to seek out new cultures, explore new technology and create new laws.

We are requesting that the students draw pictures that depict what they think the courtrooms and/or laws of the 21st century will look like. For example, they can focus on what the courtrooms of the new century will start to look like to accommodate new technology. Or they can write up new laws that they may imagine will have to be written to accommodate new global issues and demonstrate these laws visually with a drawing. We encourage their imaginations to go wild, so to speak. At your request, the Court can provide a half hour interactive presentation for the students to help them conceptualize and give focus to this project. We would anticipate that this project is one that would fit in with a class in history or current events or even art class. Of course, if you teach a class in another subject and would like to participate, we also encourage your imaginations to go wild as well.

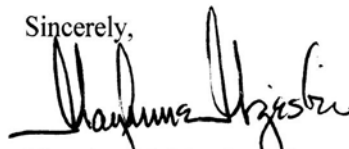
The contest is open to all 4th, 5th, and 6th graders. Students may work alone or in a group. Group winners will split the cash prize evenly between group members. They can use paints, crayons, magazine pictures for a collage, or whatever they have available. There will be a first and second place winner in each group.

Entries must be submitted to the Court no later than April 26, 2010. Winners will be announced by April 30. All participants, whether they have won or not, will be invited to attend the City Council Meeting on Thursday, May 6, 2010. The winning students and teachers will be acknowledged by Mayor Hallman and receive their cash prize and a gift bag. Every student that participates will receive a certificate of participation signed by the Mayor and Presiding Judge.

As always, we at the Court are more than willing to help in any way that we can with this project. Municipal Court Judges are available to speak to your students if you would like. We are very much looking forward to this competition and working with all of you.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Frankie Valenzuela at 480-350-8454 or by e-mail at frankie_valenzuela@tempe.gov.

Sincerely,



MaryAnne Majestic, Judge
Tempe Municipal Court

Art
Contest

Tempe Municipal Court Presents



Law
Day
2010

THEME: Courtrooms of the 21st Century

THE CONTEST: Draw, paint, sketch, or make a collage depicting how you imagine courtrooms and/or laws of the 21st century will look like. For example, focus on what the courtrooms of the new century will start to look like to accommodate new technology. Or write new laws that you imagine will have to be written to accommodate new global issues and demonstrate these laws visually through art. The art project can be as simple as a crayon on paper drawing or as complex of a medium that you may want to use. All entries are welcome.

We encourage imaginations to go wild, so to speak. The Court can also provide a half hour interactive presentation to classes to help students conceptualize and give focus to this project. We would anticipate that this project is one that would fit in with a class in history or current events or even art class. Of course, if you teach a class in another subject and would like to participate, we also encourage your imaginations to go wild as well.

WHO MAY PARTICIPATE: All 4th, 5th and 6th grade students in the City of Tempe. **Please ensure that student names are written clearly or typed on the back along with teacher name, grade and school.**

DEADLINE: All entries are due by **Monday, April 26, 2010**. If you would like to schedule a half hour class presentation or for entry pick-up, please contact Frankie Valenzuela at 480-350-8454 or by e-mail at frankie_valenzuela@tempe.gov.

AWARDS: All participants will receive a certificate of participation signed by the Mayor and the Presiding Judge and will be invited to attend a city council meeting on Thursday, May 6, 2010, where the top two winners in each grade will receive a cash prize and awards.

For more information on the Law Day 2010 contest visit our website at www.tempe.gov/court or contact Frankie Valenzuela at 480-350-8454 or by e-mail at frankie_valenzuela@tempe.gov.