



The Skadoodle Art Challenge

A free annual student art challenge for the Tulsa Metro area and surrounding communities.



The Skadoodle Art Challenge exists for one simple reason: we want more students to create.

Not every student sees themselves as an artist. Not every classroom has the same supplies, time, or support. Not every child gets a spotlight moment. The Skadoodle Art Challenge is being built to help change that — by giving students a free, welcoming reason to make something of their own and share it with their community.

And this isn't just about choosing winners.

Recognition matters, but recognition doesn't define creativity. A student's artwork has value before anyone judges it, ranks it, or hands it a ribbon. The real purpose of the Art Challenge is to encourage students to try, imagine, experiment, and create — without feeling excluded before they even begin.

Why we're doing it

TheSkadoodle.com is being built as a free creative home for art, learning, games, teacher resources, family-friendly creativity, and imagination. The Art Challenge carries that mission into local schools.

We're doing this because creativity belongs to everyone.

We're doing this because teachers deserve support.

We're doing this because students need opportunities to be seen.

We're doing this because art should feel possible, not intimidating.

We're doing this because the children coming up behind us deserve more chances to create, dream, and be recognized for the imagination they already carry.

The purpose

The purpose of the Skadoodle Art Challenge is to give students a free, yearly opportunity to create original artwork around a shared theme, submit it through their school or classroom, and be part of a bigger celebration of student creativity.

Each year, the challenge invites students from different grade levels to respond to creative prompts designed for their age group. The prompts are kept open on purpose, so many kinds of students, classrooms, and abilities can take part.

The goal isn't to make art feel narrow. The goal is to open the door.

Some students will draw something polished. Some will make something strange. Some will surprise themselves. And some will simply take part when they normally wouldn't. All of that matters.

The ultimate goal

The long-term goal is to make the Skadoodle Art Challenge an annual creative tradition for the Tulsa Metro area and surrounding communities.

We want Recognition Day to grow into more than a winner announcement. We want it to become a yearly celebration of student imagination — student galleries, teacher recognition, school highlights, classroom stories, community support, award presentations, behind-the-scenes moments, and real chances for students to see that their creativity matters.

Over time, we want to build a program that supports classrooms, encourages teachers, gives students a genuine spotlight, and reminds the community that imagination is worth protecting.

How long we plan to do this

The Skadoodle Art Challenge is being built as an annual program, not a one-time event.

Year One is the pilot year for the Tulsa Metro area and surrounding communities. We're choosing to start carefully — to build trust, learn from teachers and schools, and make the program better every year.

Our plan is to keep the Art Challenge going every year, for as long as we can support it responsibly.

We're starting local. We're building with care. And we're building this to last.

Year One challenges

Each grade level gets its own prompt — open enough for any student to make it their own.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

If I Lived in Doodleville

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Invent Something Ridiculous

HIGH SCHOOL

The World Through Your Eyes

What we believe

Art is fun.

Creativity belongs to everyone.

Students should never feel excluded from creating.

Recognition celebrates creativity.

Recognition does not define creativity.

The goal is not simply to run a contest.

The goal is to encourage students to create.

Closing

The Skadoodle Art Challenge is for the student who already loves art, the student who's sure they're not good enough, the teacher looking for a spark, the classroom that needs something joyful, and the community that believes children deserve more chances to imagine.

This is for art.

This is for creativity.

This is for the students creating now — and for the children coming up next.