



2017 Kids' Comics Contest Official Rules and Regulations

HOW TO ENTER

Running from December 9, 2016 to April 15, 2017, the Pop Culture Classroom Kids' Comics Contest is open to all Kindergarten through 12th grade students. Each artist must submit only one entry no later than April 15, 2017 at 5 p.m. MST.

ENTRY CHECKLIST

This checklist is used to determine eligibility for entry in the contest:

- Artwork must be in the form of an original comic or graphic text.
- Art and/or storytelling must display one or all of the following ideas: Strength, Justice, Courage or Unity.
- Artwork must be the original work of the student entering the contest. Entries may not be traced or copied from published works. Photographs can only be used as guidelines. Any medium is accepted.
- Students may submit previously created artwork as long as it has not been published elsewhere and is age-appropriate.
- Contest entries cannot be obscene, indecent, or contain profanities, excessive violence or gore. Entries must be suitable for all ages and for replication/display.
- Entries must be received by April 15, 2017 at 5 p.m. MST.

Categories (by grade):

- K-2nd grade
- 3rd – 5th grade
- 6th – 8th grade
- 9th – 12th grade

Judging Criteria:

Storytelling: Story arc, character development, setting, and dialogue/captions.

Art: Use of comic conventions, character representation, setting, and layout.

Adherence to theme: This year, we're introducing a theme to the contest. Your art and/or storytelling must display one or all of the following ideas: Strength, Justice, Courage or Unity.



Winners:

Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Two winners (Grand Prize and Runner Up) will be chosen from each of four different age categories and announced on April 29, 2017.

Grand Prize

The Grand Prize winner in each category will have their artwork featured in the official Denver Comic Con 2017 souvenir program, inclusion in a special digital exhibition on the Pop Culture Classroom website, two passes to Denver Comic Con 2017, and a meet-and-greet session with a professional comic artist.

Runner Up Prize

The Runner Up prize winner in each category will be included in a special digital exhibition on the Pop Culture Classroom website and will receive two passes to Denver Comic Con 2017.

Fine Print:

No purchase necessary. A purchase will not increase chances of winning.

All artwork submitted is hereby the property of Pop Culture Classroom (PCC). PCC and their sponsors, advertising and promotion agencies, possesses the right to display, reproduce or use the artwork at any time in the future without the prior approval of, or compensation to the artists.

Employees, officers, directors and agents of Pop Culture Classroom and members of the immediate family or persons living in the same household of such individuals, are ineligible to participate. Contest is subject to all federal, state and local laws. Pop Culture Classroom does not insure entries it receives or will be responsible for loss or damage of the entries.