



## For Immediate Release

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## Ingham ISD Hosts 19th Annual Student Art Exhibit

On the evening of May 1, 2019, Ingham Intermediate School District (ISD) hosted part-one of the 19th Annual Ingham Student Art Exhibit in conjunction with the Lansing Art Gallery and the Michigan Education Leadership Group (MELG). The Lansing Art Gallery hosted part-two of this event on May 2 with a reception in their gallery and the MELG will host part-three on May 9 in their office located in Lansing. This competition is open to all students within the Ingham ISD service area for artwork created during the 2018-19 school year.

Each participating school is allowed to submit up to 20 entries. This year, 19 schools submitted 392 entries from local elementary, middle and high school students. From these entries, a qualified juror selected 50 works of art to be professionally framed and exhibited. "The artwork blew my ears back," said Juror, Paloma Rosales. The winning artwork will now be on display for one year at Ingham ISD, MELG and the Lansing Art Gallery.

Winning artwork was submitted by the following teachers:

- Meranda Shirley, Dansville Middle School, Dansville Schools
- Layna Lesnau, Cole Academy
- Robin Remer-Saenz, East Lansing High School, East Lansing Public Schools
- Kaylee Hammond, Haslett High School, Haslett Public Schools
- Liz Napolitano, Rayla Elementary/Wilkshire Early Elementary Childhood Center, Haslett Public Schools
- John Thon, Holt Junior High School, Holt Public Schools
- Gina Ried, Beekman Center, Lansing School District
- Pamela Collins, Everett High School, Lansing School District
- Julia Naccarato, Sheridan STEM Magnet School, Lansing School District
- Marty Frew, Steele Elementary, Mason Public Schools
- Jennifer Harrington, Mason High School, Mason Public Schools
- Yalonda Combs, Mason High School, Mason Public Schools
- Tracy Casali, North Aurelius Elementary, Mason Public Schools
- Heather McNeilly, Cornell Elementary, Okemos Public Schools
- Liz Wylegala, St. Martha School
- Jackie Lennemann, Smith Elementary School/Heritage School, Stockbridge Community Schools
- Lisa Lam-Wilson, Waverly High School, Waverly Community Schools
- Megan Kubu, Williamston High School, Williamston Community Schools



- Angie Herek, Discovery Elementary School, Williamston Community Schools

“We understand how important arts education is to student expression and our educational environment,” stated Jason Mellema, Ingham ISD Superintendent. “Our student artists have some amazing pieces on display at Ingham ISD, and it’s a great reminder to all of us how we impact student achievement each and every day. We appreciate that our students and families allow us to hang their art work in our halls for the next year.”

Ingham Intermediate School District supports twelve local school districts and ten public school academies in its service area which reaches into seven counties in the mid-Michigan area. The local school districts include: Dansville, East Lansing, Haslett, Holt, Lansing, Leslie, Mason, Okemos, Stockbridge, Waverly, Webberville and Williamston. To learn more about our programs and services, visit [Ingham Intermediate School District](http://www.inghamisd.org) (www.inghamisd.org).

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