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Principals and Art Teachers Congressional Art Competition Tennessee Congressional District 3 High Schools - Grades 9-12

Dear Principals and Art Teachers:

To champion the arts and to recognize and encourage artistic talent among your students, I would like to take this opportunity to invite your 9th – 12th grade students to participate in the annual United States House of Representatives Congressional Art Competition.

The competition, held each spring, provides an opportunity for members of Congress to recognize the artistic talents of their young constituents. Since the Artistic Discovery competition began in 1982, more than 650,000 high school students have participated.

Students submit entries, as outlined in the enclosed guidelines. Entries are judged by a panel of talented and uniquely qualified local artists. All entries will be displayed at a special District Exhibit. The winning entry will be recognized at the District Awards Ceremony and at the Washington DC Awards Ceremony as well as displayed in the United States Capitol for one year. Additionally, the pieces that place 2nd and 3rd will be recognized at the District Awards Ceremony and displayed in my District Offices.

I look forward to seeing your students' artwork and talent. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Harstine in my Chattanooga office at (423)756-2342 or at michelle.harstine@mail.house.gov You may view winning artwork from previous years at http://www.house.gov/content/educate/art competition/

Sincerely,

Chuck Fleischmann Member of Congress