

Participate. . .Create. . . Celebrate!

Ideas for Showcasing and Celebrating Students' WITESOL Contest Creations

School Bulletin Board - Design a bulletin board and display students' writing and pictures of their art. Title it "Beautiful Wisconsin" and add a description that reads something like this: "Mr. Lee's students participated in this year's WITESOL Writing and Art Contest. Some students wrote essays and poems about "Beautiful Wisconsin" while others created art." This is a wonderful way to include everyone who created something in the spirit of the contest.

Your Town - Consider putting the display of students' work in the community. The public library or the town hall are a couple of places to showcase the work your students are doing. The sky's the limit!

Live Showcase - Host an event to celebrate students' work by having the writers read their essays or poems and the artists speak about their art. Invite parents and/or another classroom to attend.

A Class Book - A book (hard copy or digital) - Just as WITESOL publishes a collection for the winners, teachers could put together a class book.

Presenting Certificates - Every student who takes part in creating something based on our contest theme is a participant, and last year we added a participation certificate that teachers can award to all of their participating students (not just the ones whose work was picked to be a school entry). Teachers receive the certificates through email at the close of the contest and they can print and award certificates to all of their participating students.

Note: Please feel free to send WITESOL pictures of your bulletin boards and/or celebration readings and speeches. WITESOL would be happy to post them on social media. You may email them to witesolboard@gmail.com