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Dear Administrators and Art Enthusiasts:

Every spring, a nationwide high school art competition is sponsored by the Members of the U.S. House of Representatives. The *Artistic Discovery* contest began in 1982 as a way to recognize and encourage the artistic talent of our country's youth. Since the start of this program, more than 650,000 students have participated nationwide.

The Congressional Art Competition is open to all high school students in the Sixth District. Each student will be granted the opportunity to submit **one** piece of artwork. The artwork must be original in design, no more than 15 lbs. and no larger than 28" X 28" X 4." The artwork must also be prepared for hanging.

The overall winner will have his or her piece displayed in the United States Capitol for the next year. It will represent the Sixth Congressional District of Kentucky among hundreds of pieces from other congressional districts all over the country. The winner of the competition will also receive two airline tickets from Southwest Airlines to come see their artwork which will be displayed in the United States Capitol Building.

If you know of a student who wishes to participate, please have them complete the enclosed Participation Form and return it to my Lexington office no later than **Friday, April 11, 2014**. This sheet will indicate the student's intent to participate and provide my office with the information needed for his or her representation in this competition. I also encourage you to visit http://www.house.gov/content/educate/art_competition/ for more information regarding guidelines for submissions.

The artwork must be submitted to my Lexington District Office with the enclosed Student Information & Release Form no later than **Monday, April 14, 2014**.

I will be hosting a Congressional Art Competition Reception at the Living Arts and Science Center, 362 N Martin Luther King Blvd., Lexington, KY, on April 24, 2014, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. All artists, families, and friends are welcome to attend. Artists will be able to pick-up their artwork at the reception. If the artist is unable to attend, they must coordinate a time to pick-up their artwork at my Lexington District Office by May 2, 2014.

I hope you will join me in celebrating some of Kentucky's most talented students. If you have any questions, please contact Marissa Espinosa in my Lexington office at 859-219-1366 or by email at marissa.espinosa@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

Andy Barr
Member of Congress