November, 2021

Dear Elementary Level Principal:

The Arts Committee and the Connecticut Association of Schools Elementary Level Board take great pleasure in announcing the **23rd ANNUAL ELEMENTARY CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS** on February 9 and 10, 2022, with a snow date of February 15, 2022, at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington from 4:30 to 7:30 pm.

**OBJECTIVE:**
The objective of this program is to recognize students at the elementary level with outstanding ability in the performing or visual arts, as well as maintaining a high level of citizenship and cooperative skills. It is recommended that the students selected for this award be in the last grade within your school.

**REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:**
To participate in this program, registration must be completed electronically via the CAS-CIAC web site at cas.casciac.org. To submit your information, click on the Member Login link at the top of the page. Enter your school number and login ID. After successfully logging in, select *Submit Elementary Celebration of the Arts Banquet Reservation Form.* Any questions regarding the registration process may be addressed to Cathy Prowe at cprowe@casciac.org or at 203-651-3909. Please provide the names of all those who will be attending from your school including the names of the two students selected as award recipients.

**MENU AND PROGRAM FOR THE EVENING:**
The menu for the celebration will be child oriented. Registration begins at 4:30 pm. From 5:00 to 6:15 pm, food stations will be located to one end of the banquet room serving tacos, pasta, salad, pizza, and ice-cream. Art-centered activities such as balloon sculpture and face painting will be stationed throughout the banquet room. In addition, caricaturists will be present to create portraits of each award recipient. At 6:15 pm the award ceremony will begin; at 6:45 entertainment will be provided by the *Connecticut Storytelling Center*; and at 7:30 pm the program will end.

**COST TO CAS MEMBER SCHOOLS:**
The award recipients from CAS-member schools will attend free of charge. Parents, guardians, principals, classroom teachers, music and/or art teachers are also invited to attend at a cost of $29.00 per person. *Non-member schools* may attend, if space is available. The cost for award recipients from non-member schools will be $29.00 as well as for each guest who attends with them. Non-member schools will be charged an additional fee of $100.00 to attend.

**RESERVATIONS:**
Your early response is appreciated as we expect that the vast majority of Connecticut elementary schools will participate.

*Your reservation must be received no later than January 14, 2022.*

Schools from towns with names beginning with the letters A to L will attend on
**Wednesday, February 9**

Schools from towns with names beginning with the letters M to Z will attend on
**Thursday, February 10**

If there is a scheduling conflict, please notify the CAS office and we will be happy to try and accommodate your school on the other evening. The Elementary Level Board and the Arts Committee look forward to receiving your reservations and to greet you on February 9 or February 10, 2022, or snow date of February 15, 2022 at the Aqua Turf.

Sincerely,

**Dr. RoseAnn O’Brien Vojtek**

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*PLEASE SHARE THIS LETTER WITH YOUR ART AND MUSIC DEPARTMENTS*