



# “What Makes Me Special” Art Display & Open Mic Night



## Why?

The “What Makes Me Special” project was designed by the PTA to create a safe space for students to share something special about themselves that has helped shape them. Whether it is something visible or not, something they are proud of or struggle with - this is an opportunity for students to share their uniqueness in a creative way!

## What?

1. Participants will submit an original piece of writing or visual art piece, creatively expressing what makes them special. Written pieces can be an essay, story, poem, or a combination of the three! Visuals can be a painting, drawing, sculpture, poster, collage, or video. All written and visual pieces must be submitted by 2/8/19
2. Selected art pieces will be put on display for parent/teacher conferences on 2/14/19
3. Selected authors will be invited to read their work as part of the CLES Reading Night at an “Open Mic” to be held at CLES on Wednesday, 2/27/19.

Ask yourself...

*What makes me unique?*

*What do I wish people knew about me, but am sometimes afraid to share?*

*What shapes who I am, but is not always easy to talk about?*

*What makes me unique and something I’m proud about?*

*What makes me unique and is something that challenges me?*

*What makes me special and has taught me valuable life lessons?*

*What makes me...me?*

To help brainstorm ideas and encourage participation, students will participate in community circle conversations focused on the “What Makes Me Special” theme leading up to the deadline! Check out the accompanying entry form for details, and keep an eye out for more information in the coming weeks! ~ Sylvia Bank, Savitha Enner, Rubin Singh & Andrea Stremmel