

How to Photograph Your Student Artwork for Y.A.M.

One of the best ways to easily photograph your student's artwork is to use your smartphone camera or tablet camera.

Use a well-lit location

Photograph while you have daylight. Choose an area with good natural light. Be sure there are no big shadows across the artwork. If there are, try moving around to avoid having shadows distort the color.

Make sure your artwork is flat

If the artwork curls at the edges or lifts up in any area, this can cause further distortion. You can add a small piece of tape to the back of your artwork on a corner or two to help make it flat.

Keep your device is parallel to the artwork

Hover your device over the artwork you are trying to photograph. Holding the device at an angle will distort the final image.

Be sure your image is not distorted or blurry

Make sure your camera lens is focused on the image. You can do this by opening your camera app and tapping on the screen where you want the focus to be. Tap on the middle of the artwork you are trying to take a photograph of.

Be as still as possible when taking the photograph. This will also help to keep the image in focus.

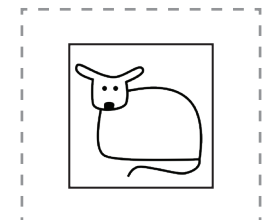
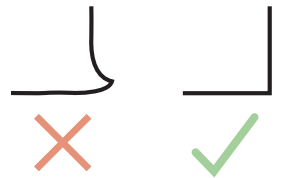
Leave space around your image

Do not crop the image, but instead leave a frame of negative space, or a frame of the surface you are photographing on. This way, we can crop the image to our needs.

You can also play around with simple editing tools to make the colors more accurate. Sometimes the camera can distort the colors.

File size and type

Please attach and send the image file in its original and largest format size (if prompted). We will reach out to you if there are any issues.



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