



My Dream School

A Challenge of Epic, Awesome, Creative, Amazing, Crazy, Synergistic, Thoughtful, Genius, Hair-Raising, Earth-Shattering, Mind-Blowing Proportions

(okay, maybe that's a little over the top...)

More info: <http://educationvoters.org/dream>

What: A contest for K-12 students to tell about your dream school. We encourage creative ways of showing your ideal education experience – through any online means: video, PowerPoint, Prezi, photos, podcast, drawings, story, sculpture, etc. You can tell us about what the physical building looks like, how it functions or who is in it. You might talk about how you'd love to get to class using Segways. Or that you'd learn to create video games. Or eat spaghetti tacos for lunch. Maybe you just want to feel like you're really learning something that matters. Or that you have enough textbooks in your classes. Or that all of your classmates seem like they're learning.

The big thing is this - you must tell about it in the positive: "My dream school has ..." as opposed to "My dream school doesn't have...."

Who can enter: Anyone in Washington state who is in grades K-12. You can submit as an individual or a group, class or organization. Parents and teachers, feel free to work on this project with the kids!

Winner gets: Amazing prizes! To be announced. And a shout out in Seattle's Child and the LEV Blog.

Deadline: Tuesday, January 31st. We'll announce the winner(s) the following week.

Submit your entries to: info@educationvoters.org by midnight on January 31st. Make sure to include your name, age, grade level and school. Oh, and your parents' contact info should we need to contact them about how awesome you are.

What about adults? We'll have a category for you too, if you want to submit your ideas for your dream school. We won't be offering you any prizes, but we'd love to hear your ideas.

Requirements:

- 1) You must frame your dream school in the positive. "My dream school has enough textbooks for everyone" as opposed to "My dream school doesn't have a shortage of textbooks."
- 2) Feel free to use Flash, video, PowerPoint, Prezi, online apps, audio, photos, paintings, sculptures, words, graphics, dancing squirrels, your grandmother yodeling or some combination of these. The only requirement is that your final product must be digital so that we can share it online (you want to be famous, don't you?).
- 3) You can go as deep or shallow as you want. If you want to include the kind of shoes your principal would wear (we would vote for lime green Doc Martens, but we're a little unusual), that's great. If you just want to focus on how everyone would treat one another or how every classroom would have three computers, that's fine too. This is your dream school, so you choose what the details are.



- 4) Be creative. Make it interesting. Think outside the box. Are you going to use the dog, your Skylanders action figures, the Cheerios your baby brother threw on the floor this morning and your mom's exercise bike?
- 5) You must attend a Washington K-12 school – public or private – or be homeschooled in Washington state.
- 6) Final product becomes the property of the League of Education Voters and Seattle's Child to distribute how we see fit (although we're happy to share the credit).
- 7) If your submission can't be easily emailed (because the file is too large), please contact us at info@educationvoters.org, and we'll figure it out!

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