



# SCHOOL PAGE



ARTWORK, POETRY, AND WRITING FROM TACOMA STUDENTS

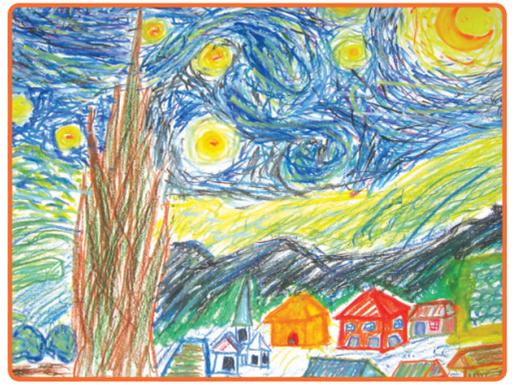
## TRUMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL, ART TEACHER: MS. HADDIGAN

Using their knowledge of perspective, students in Ms. Haddigan's art classes were asked to make a house and background, using India ink, pieces of cardboard, and a sponge. After that dried, they added watercolor.

Students were asked to create their own version of Vincent van Gogh's *Starry Night* painting. We very much enjoyed their creativity!



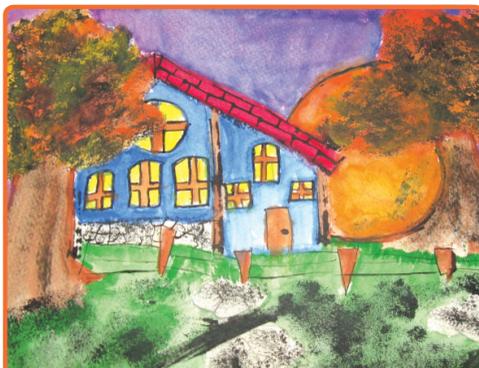
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BY RIO SHIMUZU, 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE



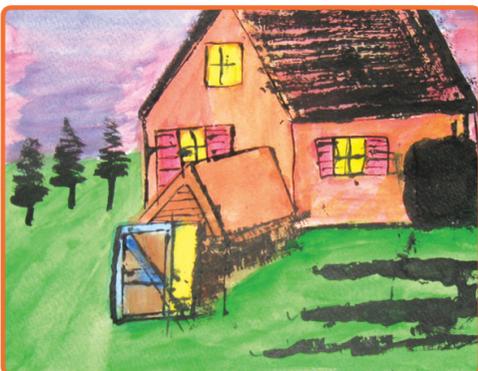
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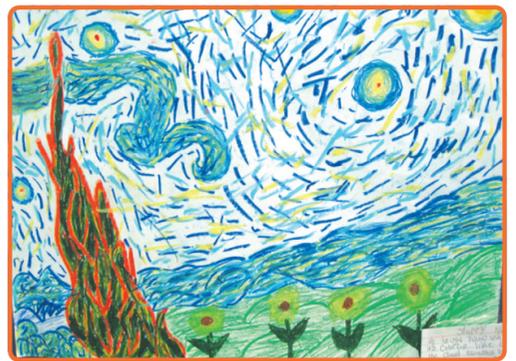
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BY TRECY MYLES, 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE



BY RANIA KASSEM, 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

## BRYANT MONTESSORI SCHOOL

### I AM FROM...

I am from Honey Comb; from cereal and corn.  
I am from the basketball.  
I am from the sunflower and the sunflower seeds.  
I am from the late risers and early risers,  
from Shay, Tesh, and Grandma.  
I am from summer barbecues,  
and fun parties,  
"Eat your food," and, "Go to bed."  
I am from new churches every Sunday.  
I am from St. Joseph's Hospital  
in Tacoma,  
friends at the fair, California,  
and birthday parties.  
I am from Tacoma.

BY JAMAIA M., 4<sup>TH</sup>/5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE, TEACHER: MR. HELLER

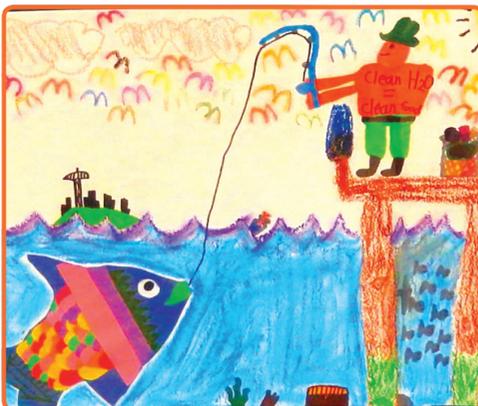
### I AM FROM...

My room, from the bed, and my desk.  
I am from the Mom who makes me happy;  
a sweet smell of love.  
I am from the heart, pickles, and a  
necklace from the flowers that turn white.  
I am from the singing and the laughing,  
and from the cooking, and the running,  
and the helping and caring,  
and from eating.  
I am from "Stop!" and, "No-no,"  
and, "You're perfect."  
I'm from swimming.  
I am from the hospital, and home,  
and grandmas.  
I'm from nachos and steak,  
from a family reunion and seeing  
all my family.  
My treasures are my brothers and sisters.  
They live in my heart because  
they help me with life.

BY INEZ, 4<sup>TH</sup>/5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE, TEACHER: MR. HELLER

## NATIONAL PTA REFLECTIONS CONTEST 2015

Each year the National PTA has a contest for students with a variety of categories. We are pleased to have some of their contributions on the student page in the areas of writing, art, and photography. The theme this year was: *The world would be a better place if...* Many of the student entries touched our hearts. It was soon clear that there is a great hope for the world with these enthusiastic young minds using their good brains and hearts. More of these will continue to publish a little bit each month through June.



The world would be a better place if we didn't throw garbage in our water so the sea life would be cleaner and safer to eat.

BY PARKER SCHIMELPFENIG, PRIMARY GRADE, BROWN'S PT. ELEMENTARY



The world would be a better place if unicorns existed—full of magic, sparkle, and fun!

BY TALLULAH MCKNIGHT, 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE, SHERMAN ELEMENTARY, TEACHER: MRS. HAN



The world would be a better place if there was a Candy Kingdom, because if the children ate their veggies, then they would get to go to the Candy Kingdom!

BY SYDNEY BIEBER, PRIMARY GRADE, BROWN'S PT. ELEMENTARY



The world would be a better place if everyone had a friend, everyone had someone to make them happy, and someone they could talk to.

BY MADELEINE MCKEOWN, 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE, JASON LEE MIDDLE SCHOOL



CAUGHT IN THE WEB: The world would be a better place if we took the time to look at the things people don't notice. A web is just a web until you give it the credit it deserves for its dominance that create an art piece of leading lines.

BY AYANNA GORDON, 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE, LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL