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TO: K-5th Grade Teachers

FROM: Alabama Center for Architecture ~~dream~~Architecture Committee

SUBJECT: 2022-2023 ~~dream~~Architecture Contest: *Draw Your Dream HOME!*

The Alabama Center for Architecture (ACFA), the nonprofit arm of the American Institute of Architects Birmingham Chapter, is hosting the 27th annual dreamArchitecture Contest, a community outreach program promoting public awareness of architecture.

Here's how to join in the fun:

1. **Think about the theme! Draw Your Dream HOME** will let children explore possibilities of what it would be like to design their very own home: What materials will be used to build the home? How can you make your home handicap friendly? What will you have in your home that makes all kids feel included? How big is your home? Will your home have stairs? Will your home be in space? Under the sea? In a city? Or somewhere else? Will the bathroom(s) and kitchen be easy to navigate? How will you make your home safe for someone with a disability? Will you have a backyard? Does your backyard have a garden? Does your house have solar panels? The possibilities are endless!
2. **Come to the Teacher Workshop!** To assist you in bringing our theme to your classroom, we are hosting a FREE Teacher Workshop on **Saturday, January 28, 2023 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Alabama Center for Architecture** (*address above*). This workshop is eligible for **three Professional Development Hours (PDHs)**. Please RSVP to anna@karmamanagementinc.com
3. **Draw!** Each drawing must have a 'dreamForm' completed & attached to the back of each **8.5x11" OR 11x17" entry**. We also require each child to write a **one** or **two** sentence "Dream Statement" on the back of their drawing explaining their thoughts about their drawing. Teachers may assist with the documentation of the "Dream Statement" if needed, but the statement should be in the student's own words. **Artwork without completed entry forms or dream statements will not qualify.**

Artwork Delivery: *Deliver your artwork via courier or in person to the ACFA (address above).
The deadline to submit artwork is **Friday, March 24, 2023.***

4. **Get your awards!** The Awards Ceremony will be held **Thursday, May 4, 2023, location is TBD**. First, second, third and honorable mention prizes will be awarded to all age groups from K-5th grades. Winners will take home art supplies and architectural gifts.

*Please visit our website below for all up to date information regarding the
2023 dreamARCHITECTURE Program.*

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