

One Song Project: Card-Making Guidelines

The One Song Project connects people through music by sharing the songs and stories that mean the most to us. These cards will be delivered to seniors in our community to brighten their day and help them discover music through someone else's experiences.

1. Choose Your Song

Choose one song that holds special meaning to you. It might remind you of a person, a memory, a special moment, or a feeling. **Any genre or time period is welcome!**

Song Guidelines

Your song must:

- Be free of profanity and explicit content.
- Be by an artist whose music does not predominantly contain profanity or explicit content.
- Not contain religious themes or messages.
- Not contain hateful, discriminatory, or derogatory language.
- Not promote violence, dangerous behavior, or harmful activities.
- Be appropriate for a general audience of all ages.
- Have a message and overall tone appropriate for sharing with senior residents.

When in doubt, choose another song. Share music you would feel comfortable recommending to someone of any age!

2. Share Your Story

Write a short, personal message explaining why you chose your song and what makes it meaningful to you. Your story doesn't need to be long or profound! You can share a favorite memory, a person the song reminds you of, how it makes you feel, or simply why you love listening to it.

Example Format

Introduction: "My name is [first name], and one song I love is [*song title*] by [artist]."

Your Story: Choose one of these sentence starters or write your own:

- "This song is special to me because..."

- "I love this song because..."
- "I first heard this song when..."
- "Whenever I listen to this song, I feel..."

Closing Sentence: "I'd love to listen to your favorite song if you'd like to share it with me."

Writing Guidelines

- Share only your first name. Do not include your last name, age, school, contact information, or other identifying details.
- Be kind, friendly, and respectful.
- Keep your message appropriate for all ages.
- Include the exact closing sentence provided above.
- Check your spelling and make sure your message is easy to read.

3. Design Your Card

Make your card colorful, creative, and easy to read! Let your personality shine through your design while keeping your message welcoming to a senior audience.

Design Guidelines

- Use music-related decorations, drawings, patterns, or colors if you'd like.
- Write neatly and use lettering that is large enough to read comfortably.
- Keep your design appropriate for all ages.
- Create your card in a hamburger-style folded format: use landscape orientation and a horizontal fold. **Do not fold your card!** Submit it flat, as shown in the example below.
- Filling in the back of your card is optional.
- Make sure all required text fits within the designated panels and is not cut off.

4. Make It Personal

- Include a friendly greeting, such as "Dear Friend!"
- Write as if you're sharing something meaningful with another person.
- End with a warm sign-off, such as "Wishing you a wonderful day!"
- Remember that your card could be someone's first introduction to your song.

5. Include the Song Information

Clearly write the **song title and artist's name** so the recipient can easily find and listen to the song.

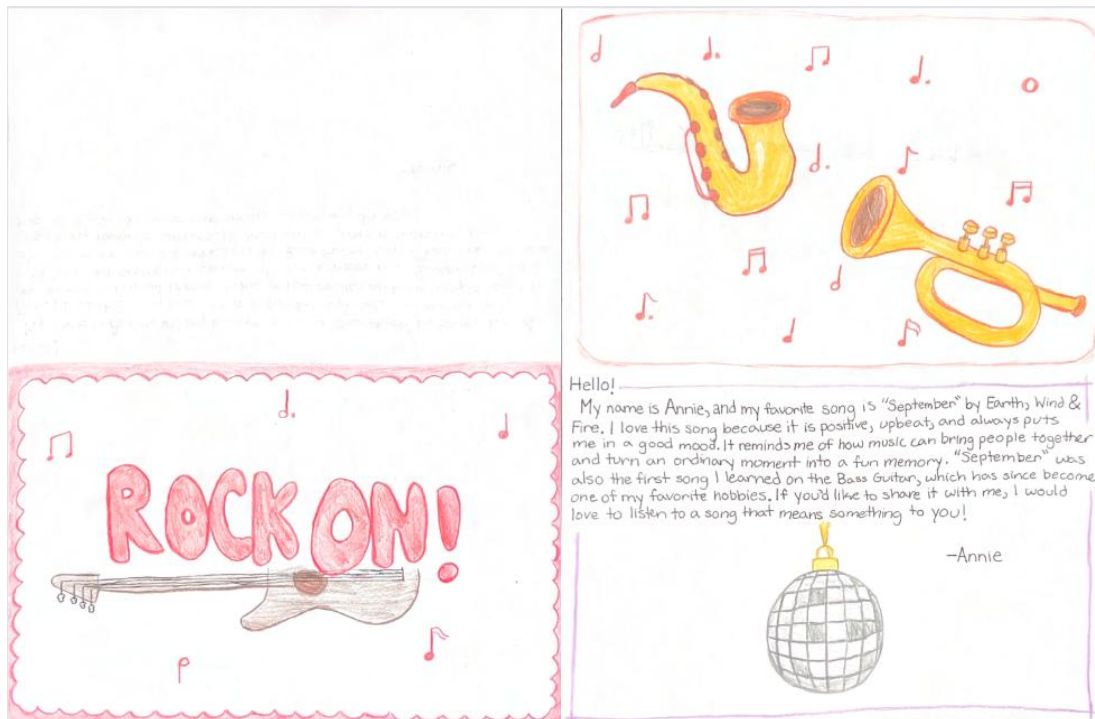
6. Submit Your Card

Before Submitting, review your card to make sure you have:

- Included the song title and artist.
- Shared a personal story about why the song matters to you.
- Included the required closing sentence.
- Checked your spelling and handwriting for readability.
- Left out private information, such as your home address or phone number.
- Followed the card design and song guidelines.

Then, go to the “One Song Project” page at sharethemusic.co and click on the form to submit your card! We will update you within 1 week.

If you have any questions, email them to sharethemusic2026@gmail.com



Front and Back

Inside of Card