Painted rocks have been popping up across Northeast Ohio and beyond thanks to the Facebook group “Northeast Ohio Rocks,” whose goal is to brighten someone’s day by leaving painted rocks with positive messages throughout the community.

Check out [Northeast Ohio Rocks](https://www.facebook.com/NortheastOhioRocks) on Facebook for more information.

The LJFFCOE is participating in this effort by presenting its first-ever Rock Painting Contest!

### Guidelines and Instructions

- Contestants can be any pre-Education major or current LJFFCOE student.
- Other non-Education students with an interest in being a teacher are also welcome to participate.
- Painted rocks should **reflect the field of teacher education** in some way. Ideas could include a child, teacher, ruler, apple, bus, school building, numbers, letters, formulas, or books.
- Deadline to submit painted rocks is **Monday, October 16 by 5 pm** in Zook Hall Room 2.
- Submit your rock in a sandwich bag with a slip of paper stating your name and contact information (e.g., phone and/or e-mail).
- Acting Dean Dr. Jarrod Tudor and his Leadership Team will be the contest judges, and **prizes will be awarded** to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners.
- All rocks will be featured on our LJFFCOE Website and Facebook Page.

After the judging, all rocks will be hashtaged #UALJFFCOErocks and returned to their creators to hide throughout the surrounding community in an effort to bring smiles, advocate for the field of teaching, and promote the teacher education programs at The University of Akron, LeBron James Family Foundation College of Education.

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