

STUDENT MUSIC CONTEST

Directions/Submission Requirements:

1. Contest is open to grades 9-12.
2. Contestants must perform one or two compositions of own choice that may include opera, Broadway, modern jazz, gospel (including hymns), country-western or “pop”. No improvisation or “rap” will be accepted. When questioning the appropriateness of a composition, contact the appropriate State Performing Arts Chairman listed on page 4. Performing Arts contestants may not perform the same entry if competing in subsequent competitions.
3. Time limits must be observed. Minimum: three (3) minutes. Maximum: five (5) minutes.
4. Vocal and piano contestants must perform from memory. Instrumentalists may use music. All vocal contestants must have an accompanist. No tapes or recordings allowed.
5. Three (3) copies of the composition(s) to be performed must be brought for the judges’ use. **At least one copy of the composition(s) must be an original copy.** Photocopies of the music may be provided for the judges if the accompanist uses the original copy.
6. First, second, and third place ribbons and certificates will be awarded to winners in each category.
7. Please copy and use the Music Evaluation Sheets on pages 26-28 for Judges at the local and district contests as it will be used at the state level contest.
8. Judging will be based on the criteria on the Evaluation Sheets. **The decision of the judges will be final.**
9. **The Pre-registration ENTRY FORM on page 10 and the PARENT OR GUARDIAN RELEASE FORM on page 11 MUST BE COMPLETED and submitted two (2) weeks prior to the district and state festivals.**

STUDENT MUSIC CONTEST CATEGORIES:

1. Boy Vocal
2. Girl Vocal
3. Piano
4. String Instruments
5. Other Instruments

State Level Student Awards:	Vocals (1&2):	Instrument (3-5):
First place, each category	\$250.00	\$250.00
Second place, each category	\$100.00	\$100.00
Third place, each category	certificate & ribbon	certificate & ribbon