



**2017 FORT BEND COUNTY FAIR
TALENT CONTEST
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**



1. ENTRY

Talent Contest Entry Forms may be picked up at the Fort Bend County Fair Office or online at www.fortbendcountyfair.com.

All entries must be received by the Fort Bend County Fair by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2017. Entries may be delivered to Fort Bend County Fair Office 4310 Hwy. 36 South, Rosenberg, Texas 77471 **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.**

No telephone entries will be accepted.

ENTRY FEE MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY FORM

- Elementary Division - \$20.00 Entry Fee
- Junior, Intermediate & Senior Divisions - \$30 Entry Fee
- Adult Division - \$30 Entry Fee

2. CONTESTANTS

No one will be allowed to compete in more than one category.

All contestants must attend all meetings schedule by the Director in Charge of the Talent Contest.

Costumes worn by the contestants must not be offensive, disrespectful or suggestive. No props will be allowed. No offensive language or music will be allowed. If not adhered to, production will be stopped and contestant will be disqualified by the Judges, Chairman or Director.

The Talent Show is not limited to solo only singing acts or instrumental acts. Anyone may enter. Musical instrument or an accompanist is allowed.

Depending on the number of entries, a preliminary contest may be scheduled and if so, you will be notified at least two weeks in advance.

Registration is open to all counties.

Each contestant will receive one complimentary pass only for the day of the competition upon delivery of their Entry Application. Parents, guardians or anyone else accompanying contestant must purchase tickets at the gate or presale tickets.

3. CONTEST RULES

Each act is limited to five (5) minutes.

Lip-syncing is not allowed. All judges' decisions are final.

All contestants must be at the Talent Show Stage by 10:00 am on the day of the competition to receive entry numbers.

All Entries will be judged on the basis of talent, showmanship, audience rapport and stage presence. The decision of the judges are final. (These decisions are solely the option of the judges and do not represent the views or options of the Fort Bend County Fair Board of Directors or the Committee.

If you have a Protest in the Judging: Refer to the Fort Bend County Fair – General Rules and Regulations

4. **DIVISIONS & PERFORMANCES**

- ELEMENTARY AGE 4 – 6 YEARS
- JUNIOR AGE 7 – 10 YEARS
- INTERMEDIATE AGE 11 – 14 YEARS
- SENIOR AGE 15 – 18 YEARS
- ADULT AGE 19 YEARS & OLDER

(Age will be determined as of the date of the competition)

5. **EQUIPMENT**

Sound System will be provided.

Singers using pre-recorded background music must provide it either on CD or Thumb drive with attached marked tracks. No pre-recorded music on tapes or phones will be accepted.

6. **PREMIUMS & AWARDS**

- Elementary Division (4-6 yrs. Old) \$100.00 First Place
\$ 75.00 Second Place
\$ 50.00 Third Place
- Junior Division (7-10 yrs. Old) \$125.00 First Place
\$100.00 Second Place
\$ 75.00 Third Place
- Intermediate Division (11-14 yrs. Old) \$200.00 First Place
\$150.00 Second Place
\$100.00 Third Place
- Senior Division (15-18 yrs. Old) \$500.00 First Place
\$250.00 Second Place
\$100.00 Third Place
- Adult Division (19+ yrs. Old) \$500.00 First Place
\$250.00 Second Place
\$100.00 Third Place

NOTE: Talent Show Divisional Contest may not be held or may be canceled, if there is not more than five contestants per division register. If a Division Contest is canceled, the Fair Office will send an entry fee refund to the contestants mailing address submitted on the entry application following the end of fair.

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Contestant's Name: _____

Age you will be on date of contest: _____

Name of parent or guardian: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone Hm: _____ Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

Will you require a musical instrument? Yes No

If so, what instrument? _____

Will you require an accompanist? _____

Name of song: _____

Length of your act: _____

I (we) the undersigned do hereby declare that statements and answers in this form are true and correct as best I can determine. The signing of this document give the Fort Bend County Fair Association permission to have photographs taken of the contestant which can be used for future marketing, advertisement or other published materials without compensation or prior permission of contestant.

Contestant / guardian have read, understand and agree to abide by all General Rules and Regulations of the Fort Bend County Fair and the Talent Contest Rules.

Contestants Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian (if under 18): _____ Date: _____