

SCFB Talent Contests Rules

1. All contestants must be single and live in Farm Bureau member homes. They must compete in and represent the county in which their family or guardian has a current Farm Bureau membership.

2. Age: **Junior Group** – ages through 12* at time of state contest

Senior Group – ages 13 through 21* at time of state contest

3. County Farm Bureaus will be allowed one entry in the junior group and one entry in the senior group – a maximum of two entries per county.

4. Children or stepchildren of employees of South Carolina Farm Bureau Federation or its affiliates are ineligible to compete.

5. The contestant's talent performance shall not exceed three and one-half minutes. Contestants will be disqualified if time limit is exceeded.

6. If an accompanist is needed, it is the responsibility of the contestant to obtain one. Contestants should not have more than one accompanist.

7. Pre-recorded music must be submitted on a CD containing only the cut of music used for the talent performance. SCFB nor its contractors will be responsible for cueing music on CD's with multiple tracks.

8. County winners may not compete for two consecutive years in the same division. The first place state winner may not compete for the second time in the same division.

9. Notification of the county winner to the SCFB office must be **no later than OCTOBER 1**. Upon receipt, entries will be reviewed by an appropriate committee. This committee will make the final determination as to whether a contestant is qualified to participate in the state contest.

10. Cash awards per division winners in the state contest are as follows:

First Place - \$150
Second Place - \$100
Third Place - \$50

11. Judging will be on the following basis:

Appropriate costume – 20 points
Showmanship – 20 points
Talent – 60 points

12. No fire batons or other dangerous objects will be allowed.

13. Those named South Carolina Farm Bureau Junior Talent Winners or Senior Talent Winners may be asked to perform at other times of the year at important functions designated by South Carolina Farm Bureau.

14. It is suggested that judges for county contests be secured from outside the county.

15. In order to ensure eligibility of county winners for the state contest, it is suggested that county contest rules be compared with state contest rules prior to the county contest.

16. The South Carolina Farm Bureau Talent Contests involve amateur competition only. Anyone who accepts payment for performances will not qualify as an amateur performer.

17. Group performance will compete in the age category in which the oldest member qualifies. (See rule 2). Only one cash prize will be awarded per group performance.

18. The above rules and regulations have been approved by the SCFB Women's Leadership Committee and authorized by the SCFB Board of Directors.

*On the state level the Junior and Senior Groups may each be divided into two groups: Junior Division I, Junior Division II, Senior Division I, and Senior Division II.



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Information & Application



Attention County Farm Bureau Office: This form must be received at the State Office (from the County Farm Bureau Office) no later than Oct. 1 for the applicant to be eligible for competition.

TALENT CONTESTS APPLICATION FORM

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT INFORMATION)

County Name _____

FB Membership #: _____

Name: _____ Name called by: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age _____ Gender _____ Grade in School: _____ School Name _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

Parent's Names: _____

Talent to be Performed _____

Name of Song, Dance Routine, Etc. _____

Number of Years in Training _____ Age at the time of State Contest _____ Junior Group Senior Group

Honors received in the talent you will perform _____

Applicant's involvement in Farm Bureau _____

Applicant's family's involvement in Farm Bureau _____

Would you attend the SCFB annual meeting if you were not a talent contestant? Yes No

Signed by Parent/Guardian _____ Signed by Contestant _____

The South Carolina Farm Bureau Talent Contests, sponsored by the South Carolina Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Committee, are designed to help develop and recognize entertainment skills of young people.

County Farm Bureau Women's Committees are encouraged to hold county contests and select one winner in the Junior and Senior category to represent their county at the state contest held during the annual meeting of the South Carolina Farm Bureau Federation.

Entries should be mailed to your county Farm Bureau office.