



Brown County 4-H Creative Arts Festival

Music and Movement Guidelines



The five Music and Movement categories are as follows:

- Instrumental
- Vocal
- Novelty
- Dance
- Lip Sync

Individual or Duet performances (1 or 2 participants) should be between 1 minute and 10 minutes long. Group performances (3 or more participants) should be between 5 minutes and 20 minutes long.

At least half of the participants must be Brown County 4-H members. Only youth can be on the stage during the performance. Adult leaders may assist with recorded music, lighting, sound effects, holding props, etc. from off stage. Adults may help move props on and off the stage between scenes or songs.

Individuals may perform in more than one music and movement performance. Performances may have participants from multiple 4-H clubs.

Instrumental, Vocal, Novelty, and Dance groups may use professionally recorded instrumental music, a recorded accompanist, or a live accompanist during the performance. Professional recorded vocal music is only allowed for dance and lip sync selections. *A Bluetooth speaker will be provided for participants to use.*

Appropriate music and songs must be chosen.

Presentations already prepared for use in solo ensemble or other programs are acceptable.

Props, costumes, and makeup may be used to enhance the quality of the performance. Modest attire or costuming must be selected. Participants should dress appropriately for a performance.

A piano, one microphone and music stands will be provided for use. Keyboard, extension cords, amps, and other instruments or equipment must be brought by participants. There is **not** a mixing table available to use.

A short introduction must be given. This introduction should include the title of the performance and the composer.

After the performance, all participants will meet with the judges for a verbal evaluation. They will also receive a written evaluation at the conclusion of the event.

Blue (1st place) or red (2nd place) ribbons will be awarded for all entries. Any number of blue or red ribbons can be presented overall for each Music and Movement category.

At the judges' discretion, "Best of Category" and/or "Honorable Mention" awards may be given.