Performing Arts

Dance, Vocal/Choral, Drama, Musical Theatre, Instrumental, Piano, and Guitar

- Recorded music for performances must be downloaded to a device. There will not be access to WiFi to stream music from the internet.
- Music performers must provide a copy of their score or sheet music to the adjudicators before the performance.
- Dance performances are limited to 4 minutes in length.
- Vocal/Choral Solo or Small Ensembles are limited to 8 performers, and 4 minutes in length.
- Vocal/Choral Large Ensembles, with 9+ performers, are limited to 12 minutes in length.
- Drama Small Ensembles are limited to 8 performers, and 4 minutes in length.
- Drama Large Ensembles, with 9+ performers, are limited to 15 minutes in length.
- Musical Theatre Small Ensembles are limited to 8 performers, and 4 minutes in length.
- Musical Theatre Large Ensembles, with 9+ performers, are limited to 15 minutes in length.
- Instrumental Solo or Small Ensembles are limited to 8 performers, and 4 minutes in length.
- Instrumental Large Ensembles, with 9+ performers, are limited to 12 minutes in length.
- Piano Ensembles are limited to 2 performers, and 4 minutes in length.
- Guitar Ensembles are limited to 4 minutes in length.
- Performing Arts Entry Forms must be submitted online at appelfarm.org/events/teen-arts-festival/ by March 20, 2020.

Video

- Video entries are limited to 12 minutes in length.
- Video entries should be formatted as an MP4, and named as the Entry Title listed on the Entry Form.
- Video Entry Forms must be submitted online at appelfarm.org/events/teen-arts-festival/ by March 20, 2020.
- Video entries should be emailed to khill@appelfarm.org by March 24, 2020.

Visual Arts (*New: Teachers will hang entries!*)

2-D, 3-D, Graphic Design, and Photography Entries

- Each student may submit up to 3 entries; entries may not exceed 36” x 36”.
- 2-D, Graphic Design, and Photography entries must be matted or front-mounted to heavy stock paper, canvas board, matboard, or foamcore. Heavier entries should be submitted with small/medium binder clips attached to the top corners. Entries may not be framed, nor submitted wet.
• Each entry must be submitted with a completed Visual Arts Entry Label. Please print neatly in black ink on the label, cut on the dotted line, and tape a corresponding label to the back of each entry.
• All entries must be available through May, 2019 for the State Teen Arts Festival, and will be considered for State Awards. Only entries that have been marked, on the Visual Arts Entry Label, as available through May, 2020 for the State Teen Arts Touring Visual Arts Exhibition will be considered for State Touring Awards. Entries that are selected for a State Touring Award will also be selected for the State Teen Arts Festival.
• Entries must be approved by the school and Appel Farm Arts & Music Center for public exhibition.

New This Year: Instead of dropping entries off, teachers will be responsible for hanging and displaying their students’ entries.

• Teachers will have access to hang their student’s entries at Appel Farm (457 Shirley Road, Elmer, NJ 08318) on Wednesday, March 25th, Thursday, March 26th, and Monday, March 30th between 9:00 AM-7:30 PM. All entries must be hung by March 30, 2020 at 7:30 PM. Entries that do not receive awards must be removed and taken home at the end of the Festival, by 5:00 PM on Wednesday, April 1, 2020.

Creative Writing

Poetry and Prose

• Poetry entries are limited to 2 pages; prose entries are limited to 4 pages.
• Entries should be imaginative student writing rather than expository essays.
• Entries may include original poetry, short story, flash fiction, drama, or novel excerpts.
• Each entry should be type-written in double spaced 12-point font, and printed one-sided, letter-sized paper with 1-inch margins.
• Entries should include the following in the top, right-hand corner of each page:
  • Student Name
  • Student Grade, Student Age
  • School, County
  • Title of Entry (required)
  • Page Number/Total Number of Pages (eg. 1/4, 2/4, 3/4, 4/4)
• Creative Writing Entry Forms must be submitted online at appelfarm.org/events/teen-arts-festival/ by March 20, 2020.
• Two copies of the Entry should be submitted with a copy of the Entry Form, which will be emailed to you, in front of each. Entries should not be stapled.
• Entries may be mailed to Appel Farm, Teen Arts, PO Box 888, Elmer, NJ 08318. Entries may also be delivered in person to Appel Farm, 457 Shirely Road, Elmer, NJ, 08318 or emailed to khill@appelfarm.org. Entries must be submitted by March 24, 2020.