

Guidelines for 4-H Day

Event: Instrumental or Piano Solo

Objective(s): For 4-Hers to improve their performance skills and to share their talent with others.

Time Limit: One number. No minimum or maximum time limit.

Equipment and/or Facilities Provided by Event Monitors:

1. A piano or electric keyboard will be available for performer or accompanist. A music stand will be provided.
2. A practice room is available to be shared among all participants. A piano may not be available.

Equipment Provided by Participants:

1. Original copy of the music provided to the judge with measures numbered and your name on your music.
2. Participants must furnish their own sound equipment and personnel to play the accompaniment.

General Rules for All Music Categories:

1. All 4-Hers must have an original copy of music for the judge. Original music may be proven by original copy or proof of purchase from the internet or copy of music with letter of permission to use.
2. Failure to present original copy of music to judge will result in lowering the placing by one ribbon.
3. Participants should pick up their music after the results are announced.
4. Accompaniment is optional.
5. Recorded music for accompaniment is allowed in all music divisions. Accompanists do not have to be 4-Hers.
6. Contestants may only enter the Instrumental Solo division one time.
7. **Performers should recognize this is a family event and choose costumes, themes, and performances that show respect for both the performers and the audience.**

Guidelines:

1. There will be the following divisions:
 - Junior: ages 7-9
 - Intermediate: ages 10-13
 - Senior: ages 14-18
2. Participant will perform only one number.
3. Number need not be memorized.
4. Many 4-H judges prefer unaccompanied instrumental solos.

Resources: Resources that may be used in planning this event include:

Private or group lessons
Other older youth and adults with musical experience
Music teachers

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Instrumental Solo or Piano Solo Score Sheet

County (circle one):

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Name: _____						Club: _____					
4-H Age: Years in 4-H: Division: Junior (7-9)____ Intermediate (10-13) ____ Senior (14-18)_____											
Title of Presentation:											
List Instrument Played:											
Weight	The musician	P	B	R	W	Comments					
25	Tone Quality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Blend ▪ Balance ▪ Beauty 										
25	Technique <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Control ▪ Articulation ▪ Releases ▪ Intonation ▪ Attacks 										
30	Musicianship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Interpretation ▪ Tempo ▪ Rhythm ▪ Phrasing ▪ Dynamics 										
10	Appearance										
10	Selection										
Penalty: ____ Did not give judge an original copy of music= reduction by one ribbon											
Circle ONE Top Purple* Alternate Top Purple* Purple Blue Red White											
<small>*Top Purple and Alternate Top Purple are only used at County or District 4-H Day.</small>											

Reason for Ranking and other Comments:(Use back of sheet for additional comments.)

Judges initials: _____