

District 13-Handbook

International Thespians

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District Individual Events

Performance Categories

Monologues
Duet Acting
Ensemble Acting
Pantomime
Solo Music
Duet Music
Small Group Music
Large Group Music

Technical Categories

Playwriting
Scene Design
Costume Design
Costume Construction
Publicity Design
Student-Directed Scenes

General Rules

Florida State Thespians
District 13 Rules and Bylaws
(Updated August, 2008)

(all state rules are in effect unless otherwise stated)

1. Each troupe may enter as many but no more than 8 entries in each category in individual events.
2. All judges will be paid \$75.00 per category (individual events), \$100.00 per day for One-Act Judges, and \$125.00 for Playwriting Judges.
3. Each student will pay \$25.00 per student to participate in Individual Events. Each school will pay \$150.00 to participate in the One-Act play contest.
4. In order for a student to attend the state festival, they must be an active participant in Individual Events (actor in Student Directed Scene does not count) or any active member of the One-Act play cast or crew.
5. Two scholarships (\$500) will be given out to two students selected through the district scholarship auditions.
6. Each troupe is required to supply a new judge's name on a yearly basis for the district festival or is subject to a \$50.00 fee.
7. Each troupe must take an active role in the organization operation of either the district One-Act festival or individual events as determined by the assignment of duties at the Sponsor Meeting.
8. The student representative and junior representative will be selected each year by the current District Chair in May following the state festival through the submission of the proper paperwork.

9. A bereavement fund of \$100.00 may be used at the discretion of the District Chair to send condolences to family members on behalf of District 13 Sponsors.
10. When a local school hosts any event, all campus rules for the host school will be in effect and enforced at all times, to include the ban on smoking, and the school who is found to be in violation will be notified in writing of any infraction by the District Chair. The student will then be disqualified from attending state that year.
11. A \$50.00 prize will be offered each year for the T-Shirt and program design winner.
12. When registering a troupe for individual events, ONLY the sponsor and one other (adult or student) may attend and register their students at the time prescribed.
13. The State Selected Individual Event Performance will be chosen by a vote by troupe sponsors during the Critic's Choice Performances at the conclusion of the District 13 IE closing ceremony. Each troupe will receive one vote and rank their top three choices (1, 2, 3), with 1st choice receiving 5 points, 2nd choice receiving 3 points, and 3rd choice receiving one point. That performance that receives the most number of points will be determined as our District Selected Individual Performance.
14. The State Selected Technical Event will be chosen by the judges ranking their Critic's Choice technical events from 1 to 5. The Critic's Choice that receives the highest rating will be our District selected Technical Event. In case of a tie a panel of three sponsors will view the tied entries and select a winner.
15. No late entries will be accepted either for the One-Act play competition or for the Individual Event competition. There will be no exceptions.

16. Each troupe is permitted to have one (1) sponsor admitted to the Sponsor/Judges luncheon at District Individual Events and One-Act Festival. Each additional sponsor or parent chaperone that wishes to attend either luncheon will be asked to pay an additional \$5 to cover expenses.

17. Each troupe is REQUIRED to send a sponsor to the two (2) scheduled District 13 sponsor meetings or a fee of \$250.00 will be assessed to the troupe and must be paid before registering for their next activity.

Scholarship Information

Scholarship Information For Sponsors

1. A District 13 Scholarship has been established and is awarded to a senior who plans to major in theater at any accredited college or university.

2. Students may audition in any of following categories:
 - a. Acting (Monologue) **2 minutes maximum***

 - b. Musical Theater (Song, Monologue) **16 bars
& 1 minute monologue***

 - c. Management
 Stage (prompt book, interview) **3 minute presentation***
 Theatre (publicity/business log) **3 minute presentation***

 - d. Design (portfolio review) **3 minute presentation***

 - e. Theater Education (monologue/portfolio) **3 minute presentation***

*Introductions are included in all times listed.

3. The district Chair will place all applications in order of audition appearance distribute copies to each judge.

4. The sponsor's evaluation as presented on the application form should be an objective assessment of the candidate's potential to succeed in the selected area.

5. Incomplete or improperly completed applications will be disqualified at the discretion of the District Chairperson..

6. Candidates must be members of the International Thespian Society.

District Forms

Student Representative Application District 13

Name _____

Troupe _____ **Sponsor** _____

School _____

Home Address _____

City _____ **Zip** _____

E-Mail _____

Telephone _____

To be applied for this position the following criteria must be met:

1. A letter from applicant must be submitted stating his/her reasons for the seeking this position and describing any abilities the posses to handle this position including any strengths they believe will add to the program.
2. A letter from the sponsor must be submitted stating why they feel the candidate will excel at this position and why they believe this candidate will best serve the goals of District 13.
3. A brief resume will be submitted accentuating Thespian participation and theatre experience.
4. Each candidate will be interviewed by the current district chairperson and the current Senior District Representative.