

# 2025 Entry Guidelines for Teen Arts

## Performing Arts

### Dance, Vocal/Choral, Drama, Musical Theatre, Instrumental

- 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 15 performers, and 5 minutes in length.
- Vocal/Choral Large Ensembles, with 16+ performers, are limited to 10 minutes in length.
- Drama Small Ensembles are limited to 15 performers, and 5 minutes in length.
- Drama Large Ensembles, with 16+ performers, are limited to 10 minutes in length.
- Musical Theatre Small Ensembles are limited to 14 performers, and 5 minutes in length.
- Musical Theatre Large Ensembles, with 15+ performers, are limited to 10 minutes in length.
- Instrumental Solo or Small Ensembles are limited to 14 performers, and 5 minutes in length.
- Instrumental Large Ensembles, with 15+ performers, are limited to 10 minutes in length.

## Video

- Video entries are limited to 10 minutes in length.
- Video entries should be formatted as an MP4, and named as the Entry Title listed on the Entry Form.

## Visual Arts 2D & 3D

### Please Note, in 2025 Appel Farm is following State Guidelines for visual art entries:

- Each student may submit up to 2 entries for each category (2D and 3D).
- Entries may not exceed 36" x 36".
- 2-D entries must be framed and wired with a plexiglas/acrylic cover. Please DO NOT submit glass covers.
- Entries must be wired or have hardware for hanging.
- Each entry must be submitted with a completed Visual Arts Entry Labels. Please print neatly in black ink and tape to the back of the artwork.
- Entries may not be submitted wet.
- All entries must be available through June of 2025 for the State Teen Arts Festival.
- Teachers will have access to hang their student's entries at Appel Farm (457 Shirley Road, Elmer, NJ 08318) on Monday, April 7th from 4:30 to 7PM.
- If you choose *not* to hang artwork yourself, pieces can be dropped the week of March 31st between the hours of 8:30 and 3:30.
- Entries that do not receive state nominations must be removed and taken home at the end of the Festival, on April 9th, 2025..

## Creative Writing

### Poetry and Prose

- Each student may submit up to 2 creative writing entries.
- 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)