

Knox County Be Real Teen Idol Contest

Information - 2008



Preliminary Contests: Tues., July 29, approx. 5:30 pm
Wed., July 30, 5:30 pm
Munson Building, Knox County Fairgrounds

Final Contest: Saturday, August 2, 1:00 pm
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RULES

1. Open to all Knox County youth or youth who attend(ed) school in Knox County who are 13-19 years of age by July 29, 2008.
2. Performances will be *vocal only* with or without accompaniment (with a recorded "karaoke-type" CD, guitar, a capella, etc.) The same song may be performed for both the preliminary contest and final contest or different songs may be performed as long as the lyrics have been approved. Be sure your CD does not have lead vocals for karaoke. Original recording CD's are not appropriate.
3. Music and lyrics must be appropriate for a family audience. Lyrics must be provided with application for all songs that may be sung. Lyrics and music must be approved by the Teen Idol Task Force and attached to the application. Failure to use the approved lyrics gives the task force the right to cut the sound during the performance and disqualify the contestant.
4. Attire should be family appropriate.
5. Thirty acts will be accepted for the preliminary contests in the order they are received. All other entries will be placed on a waiting list. At the preliminary contests, the 15 best acts will be selected for the finals with the top finalists announced on July 30. Entries, due no later than *July 14, 2008*, will be made with U of I Extension, Knox County, 180 S. Soangetaha Road, Suite 108, Galesburg, IL 61401.
6. Open to amateur performers with no previous professional experience.
7. Performances may consist of no more than one vocalist with accompaniment.
8. Performances shall be no longer than 5 minutes with a set-up time no longer than 3 minutes and no introductory comments may be provided by the contestant prior to or after the performance.
9. Performers may compete in only one act.
10. Two microphones and a professional sound system for your CD or cassette will be provided. Any other equipment is the responsibility of the performer.
11. A panel of judges will judge performances independent from other Knox County Fair activities.
12. Daily admission tickets for the fair will be given to all performers participating in the preliminary and final contests.
13. A Knox County Teen Idol will be named. The decision of the judges will be final.
14. Not responsible for accidents, injuries, or broken equipment.
15. Youth will sign a statement that he/she leads a positive and healthy lifestyle (free from alcohol, tobacco and other drugs as well as illegal activities).
16. Previous first place Teen Idol contestants are ineligible.
17. If you plan to participate in this program and a special need must be addressed in order for you to participate, please contact Cheryl Geitner at 309.342.5108.

Prizes will be awarded.

The *Knox County Be Real Teen Idol Contest* is supported by:

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