

CONVENTION EVENTS

RULES FOR CONVENTION EVENTS

Each participant or team will:

- Be properly registered for this event. No one will be able to participate in an event if they have a conflict with another event.
- A participant may be in only one individual or team event during a given time period.
- Each participant or team may participate in a grade level above, but not below, their own. Each team must be entered in a grade level equal to or higher than the oldest team member; however, it is recommended to enter each team in the grade level of the oldest team member.
- Arrive at the proper room before the event begins.
- Wear their appropriate name badges during the entire length of the convention. This helps with identification for events as well as around the hotel.

The Church Coordinator will:

- Pick up at the end of the convention the judge's score sheets/rubrics.
- Special Consideration Forms for girls who prefer to carry out individual events with an all-female audience shall be submitted according to the instructions in the Special Considerations link on the web page no later than the registration deadline.

The Judge will:

- Complete the Rubric for every participant
- Provide positive, constructive comments for all participants / teams.
- Use their own discretion to determine if they can objectively evaluate someone they know or someone from their home congregation. We encourage judges to go ahead and try unless they are sure that they would give them an unfair advantage or disadvantage.

The Ambassador will:

- Ensure the hallways are quiet and the event room is not disturbed.
- Ensure the published schedule is followed. To prevent event conflicts and to ensure observers do not miss seeing specific participants, team and individual performer's times will NOT be rearranged. In other words, if Johnny is scheduled for 10:30 and the three people scheduled ahead of him are no shows, Johnny will still sign at 10:30. His time will NOT be bumped up.

The Event Coordinator will:

- Provide training and instruction for all volunteers
- Oversee judging and rooms
- Provide a rubric sheet for judges
- Report results to the Awards Coordinator

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1. There are 3 grade levels in these events: 3-6, 7-9, and 10-12. For team events, teams consisting of participants from more than one level will be judged based on the highest grade level.

AWARDS

There are three awards available in each grade level - Gold, Silver and Bronze.

SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS FOR INCLUSION IN CLOSING CELEBRATION

Every event at LTC requires an adult to make judgments of how a young person's work meets the standards shown in the event rules. In addition, no single judge or event coordinator is present for every participant presentation in a given event. As such, there is no way, nor is there any desire on the part of the HOALTC Board of Directors, to identify a "Best of Show" participant or group to share their work during the closing celebration.

Rather, the board member responsible for closing celebration planning will select groups or individuals to participate in the closing celebration that meet ALL of the following criteria:

1. The group or individual achieves a Gold award in the event.
2. The coach or church coordinator responsible for the group or individual indicates at the time of event check-in that the group or individual is sufficiently prepared for sharing their work in front of a convention wide assembly.
3. The coach or church coordinator responsible for the group or individual indicates at the time of event check-in that the group or individual will be present for the closing celebration.

As there will be more than one group or individual that meets all of the above criteria, the final selection of groups or individuals for participation in the closing celebration will be made from the list of groups or individuals meeting all of the criteria. Only the board member responsible for the closing celebration will make the final decision, and an effort will be made to vary the congregations selected to participate in the closing celebration from year to year. Event coordinators will not be asked for recommendations.