

## 2021 ILCOG TEEN TALENT COMPETITION IMPORTANT INFO

Date: April 24, 2021

Location: Bethalto Church of God Address: 800 East Bethalto Blvd. Bethalto, Illinois 62010

## **GUIDELINES:**

There have been many changes to the Teen Talent Competition Manual. All division and category requirements are listed in the new Teen Talent Official Rules and Guideline Manual. All categories are in one manual and can be downloaded online at <u>www.cogyouth.org</u>.

Each participant must be **13 to 19 years old** for at least one day (January 1—December 31, 2021) of the Teen Talent Competition year. Each participant must be a regular attendee of the Church of God in Illinois. Each group entry must include a listing of the names, ages, and birthdates of all participants.

Choir entries must perform two musical selections (one required song and one free of choice).

All Creative Writing pieces (Short Story, Articles/Essays, Plays/Skits, Poetry & News Writing) must be accompanied by a "Statement of Verification of Originality Form" completed for each entry at registration. The following information must be typed in the right-hand corner of the first page of each entry: Name, Age, Address, Local Church, Church of God State or Region, and Number of Words.

All Art entries must have an "Art Project Sheet" completed for entry at registration & all framed entries should have hanging hardware on the back of the piece.

All Multi-Media entries must have a "Project Information Sheet" completed & the project saved to a thumb drive for entry at registration.

All Bible Teaching entries must have a "Lesson Preparation Plan" completed for entry at registration.

All Drama/Music entries that require an accompaniment, other than live music, must submit an MP3 version prior to the competition. Directions for how to upload this file will be provided after registration deadline via email.

We encourage everyone to purchase a Teen Talent T-Shirt. These shirts will also be worn at the International Teen Talent Competition.

## There will be no refunds given due to entry cancellation.

Participants who are eligible for the International Teen Talent Competition will be responsible for paying their own entry fee. The international competition will be held at Lee University (Cleveland, TN) from August 2-6, 2021.