

2019 TRI-COUNTY  
4-H DRAMA FESTIVAL  
SATURDAY, March 9, 2019  
Menomonie Middle School

**ALL plays must be registered at the Dunn County Extension Office by Friday, February 22.** Telephone registrations will NOT be accepted.

A set of rules for our festival follow.

1. **Entry Division and Length of Performances:** The difference between the two drama categories is as follows:
  - a. **On-Stage Drama** is a traditional one-act play using full costumes, props and sets. This will be performed on a stage without curtains in the Middle School Gymnasium. Please adjust your play accordingly.
    1. One play, any length up to 30 minutes, including set-up and take-down time. It is suggested that performances be about 20 minutes in length.
    2. Performances must include two or more actors.
    3. Any props that touch the floor should have felt on them to protect the floor and to dampen sound.
  - b. **Mini-Dramas and Skits** can be performed at or in any place (*setting*) and might include puppetry, creative dramatics, etc. No stage or lighting will be provided. Performances must include two or more actors.
    1. **Mini-dramas** may use costumes and props similar to on-stage drama performances
    2. **Skits** use **minimal** props and costumes (*less is better*)
    3. Mini drama and skit performances can be any length up to 15 minutes, including set-up and take-down time. Make sure your skit or mini-drama is within these time guidelines.
  - c. **Puppetry** – can be up to 15 minutes and provide own puppet stage.
2. All actors must be 4-H members. The director(s) may be any 4-H member(s) and/or adult(s).
3. Stage lighting may not be available, due to the facilities (mini-drama and skits – no stage or lighting provided).

4. On-Stage Drama Props: Drama groups should plan for special props and sound effects equipment as needed. Any props need to have felt on the bottom to avoid scratching the stage.
5. No hay or straw bales, animals, candles, real fire or real weapons are allowed.
6. If a club uses fake weaponry or strobe lights, it must be noted on the registration form.
7. Clubs may have more than one entry, but a 4-H member can be involved in only one play.
8. The Drama Festival staff will have a Stage Manager/Emcee who will introduce the Club and the Club's Emcee. The Club's Emcee will be expected to introduce the play and set the scene for their play. Introduction of cast used at club's discretion. This will not be timed.
9. Your presentation must not be the same one your club presented last year.
10. Music plays (*NOT reviews*), where music is used as part of the play, are acceptable.
11. Each group will receive a critique from the evaluators. Each drama participant will receive a participation ribbon and certificate. Clubs will be rated gold or silver.
12. Each entry will be given an "Award of Merit" for their area of outstanding achievement. The awards will be given from the following categories:
  - Total Voice Projection
  - Cooperation, Enthusiasm and Spirit
  - Characterization
  - Creative Costuming
  - Audience Appeal
  - Creative Theme Development
  - Set
  - Humor
13. Individual awards for outstanding youth performers will be presented, not to exceed two youth per play.
14. Best Actor and Best Actress will be selected from each county.

### **Other helpful information**

**Evaluation Form:** Upon your request, the committee will send an evaluation form that will be used at the festival. It notes the essential parts for viewing and critiquing a dramatic performance, and will be your copy for study prior to the play.

# ENTRY BLANK 2019 TRI-COUNTY 4-H DRAMA FESTIVAL

RETURN BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22 (DUNN COUNTY UW-EXTENSION OFFICE)

Please print clearly or type:

Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Club Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

Director's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Director's Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Play \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Emcee \_\_\_\_\_

**Check Entry Division:**

Maximum Total Time (includes set-up and take-down time)

\_\_\_\_ On-Stage Drama 30 minutes

\_\_\_\_ Mini Drama 15 minutes

\_\_\_\_ Skit 15 minutes

\_\_\_\_ Puppetry 15 minutes

Length of your group's performance: \_\_\_\_\_ minutes

\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_ No    This play uses fake weaponry.

\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_ No    This play uses a strobe light.

**Check performance time preference:**

\_\_\_\_ early morning    \_\_\_\_ mid-morning    \_\_\_\_ late morning

\_\_\_\_ early afternoon    \_\_\_\_ mid-afternoon    \_\_\_\_ late afternoon

**There will be no practice times available for 2019. Please do not contact the Menomonie Middle School for times. We will have a simple room set aside for a run through prior to your performance.**

List cast and characters portrayed, to be printed in program. Use back of sheet if necessary. Don't forget other 4-H members with props, scenery, etc. ***Please print clearly, or attach a typed list.***

**4-H MEMBER**

**CHARACTER**

Return to:    Dunn County UW-Extension, 3001 State Hwy. 12, East #102, Menomonie, WI 54751  
PHONE: 715-2321636

[OVER FOR MORE CAST AND CHARACTERS, AS NEEDED]

**4-H MEMBER**

**CHARACTER**