



MUSICAL THEATER

GUIDELINES

Monmouth Arts' Teen Arts Festival

- ☐ Students will be adjudicated individually or as a group.
- ☐ Maximum of 1 large performance and 1 small performance from each school.
- ☐ LARGE MUSICAL THEATER PERFORMANCE:
 - o Minimum of 16 performers per group.
 - o Maximum of 15 minutes to perform.
- ☐ SMALL MUSICAL THEATER PERFORMANCE:
 - o Maximum of 15 performers per group.
 - o Maximum of 4 minutes to perform.
- ☐ The above limits in both categories are state guidelines.
- ☐ Groups in each category will be selected for the NJ State Teen Arts Festival.
- ☐ Performers should expect just 5 minutes to set up; after adjudication, students will leave the stage promptly for the next performance.
- ☐ Please limit props to those safely carried by hand.
- ☐ Educators are responsible for bringing their own music or accompanist, as needed, for the performances. You **MUST** clarify which you'll be bringing and what your needs are on your Evaluation Form. Music may be played through a phone (with ¼ inch AUX output – newer model iPhones with no headphone jack must supply the adapter for Lightning USB connection) or with live accompaniment. Please note that live accompaniments are *strongly preferred*.
- ☐ **PLEASE NOTE THAT MONMOUTH ARTS DOES NOT PROVIDE AN ACCOMPANIST.**
- ☐ Educators are responsible for submitting a copy of sheet music for adjudicators. These will be emailed to Devan Brash or mailed directly to our office *prior* to the festival. Without these, please realize that students will not receive a complete evaluation. Evaluations will not be completed without sheet music submitted in advance.
 - o Teachers are responsible for requesting their sheet music back from the adjudicator. Sheet music left behind will NOT be mailed back to schools.
- ☐ Monmouth Arts and Brookdale Community College are not responsible for the loss or damage of student instruments or equipment.
- ☐ **Sheet music is due to Monmouth Arts by February 13, 2026.**
Monmouth Arts new office is located at 130 Maple Ave. Suite 7B, Red Bank

Please note that adjudicator comments during music adjudications will be AUDIO RECORDED in lieu of written rubric comments.

Please contact Devan Brash for questions about chairs, music stands, microphones, pianos, and other equipment. We are working with the Brookdale Community College facility to see what will be available for the festival.

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