

HENRY COUNTY FAIR

TALENT SHOW

SUNDAY- JUNE 22, 2025 - 1:00 PM

Check in time: 12:15 - 12:45 PM

MIDWAY ENTERTAINMENT TENT

(TENT ON SOUTH SIDE OF ART HALL)

Superintendent: Faith Houk - (309)903-4403

Deadline for Entries: MONDAY - JUNE 9, 2025

Official Talent Contest Rules of the State Competition in January 2025 will apply.

Professional Entertainers are NOT eligible. Contestant(s) MUST LIVE IN HENRY COUNTY OR SURROUNDING COUNTIES.

1. Any act that goes over the 4-minute performance time limit will be disqualified. The contestant does not introduce their act. The MC will take care of introductions.
2. To lessen sound prop confusion when using a CD or Flash Drive MP3 accompaniment, only the song that the contestant is using shall be on the CD or Flash Drive MP3. No "like" talent is allowed on the recording (i.e., vocal, tap dancing, any like instrument, etc.). This means that you can't have the same thing you are doing on the recording. For example, singers can't have background singing in their backup music and dancers can't have the sound of tap/Irish dancing or other type of dancing on the background music. Backing tracks can be gotten at www.musicalcreations.com.
3. Jr. Division entries must be at least 6 years of age and not over 14 years of age on the day of the contest. Sr. Division entries must be at least 15 years of age and not over 21 years of age on the day of the contest.
4. Jr. & Sr. Division winner or winners (any place) at the state level may return under the following...if they were competing as a single act they can come back in a group/duet or if they were competing as a group/duet they can come back as a single act, one time. All Jr. winners are eligible to compete in the Sr. division when they reach age 15.
5. The runner-up may represent the county in the event that the winner cannot compete. The entrant can only represent one county fair.
6. Floor mics are the only equipment furnished. Floor mats will need to be furnished by the contestants. An audio engineer with a professional sound system will be on site to play your CD or Flash Drive MP3. Contestant must furnish any other equipment needed.
7. The panel of judges' decisions will be final. Notes from the judges will be available after the show.
8. Everyone receives a participation ribbon. The Top 3 in each division will receive a trophy and cash prize. Prizes (for each division): 1st - \$50, 2nd - \$30, and 3rd - \$20.
9. No entry fee is required. You must pay the normal gate fee when you enter the fairgrounds.
10. We strongly urge 1st place winners to attend the State Talent Show in Springfield in January. The Henry County Fair will reimburse each 1st place winner (or alternate) UP to \$150 toward their trip to State. This will be for lodging, food and gas when proper receipts are submitted and only if the winner competes at the State contest. The Fair will pay for the State Competition entry fee. The State fee is due by October 1st.
11. At the state level, in either division, a contestant competing as a single can come back in a group/duet or if they are in a group/duet, they can come back as a single act, one time.
12. All contestants must sign a liability waiver before performing. Signing the waiver will signify that the contestant has read, understands and intends to abide by the rules of the Fair and the contest.

Name & Age of Contestant(s) _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Mail entries to: Henry County Fair, PO Box 137, Cambridge IL 61238

PLEASE SIGN WAIVER FORM ON NEXT PAGE