



KCS Chicago Youth Festival

KCS Youth Festival on May 11, 2024 - Rules and Regulations

1. Contestants should submit the applications on or before May 5th in the prescribed Youth Festival Form 2024 with required fee.
2. Walk in registration is allowed for smiling competition, coloring, pencil drawing, and quiz. For all other categories walk in registration strictly not allowed.
3. Application fee will be \$15 (Fifteen Dollars only) for individual item. For Group Items, \$10 is to be paid by each member of the group. The fee for smiling competition will be \$5 (Five Dollars only)
4. Participants should collect their chest numbers from 8:30am at Knanaya center on Saturday, May 11, 2024.
5. Competitions will be held on the school grade of the participants as of May 1st, 2024.
Sub Junior (KG - 4), Junior (5 - 8) and Senior (9 - 12) are the three categories where competition will be held.
6. One person can participate in maximum 5 single items. This does not apply to group items.
7. The points for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be 5, 3 and 1 respectively.
8. Prizes will be given to those who are getting 1,2 and 3rd places
9. Prizes for items with less than three participants, will be decided by grades obtained in that competition. Grading Scale: 85% and up - A grade, 70% to 84% - B grade.
10. Competitions will be held in three sections like Section A- Dances, Section B- Non-Dance items, Section C - Group Items. To be considered for the Titles of "Kala Thilakam" and "Kala Prathibha" the candidate should get prizes in Section A and Section B. If more than one person get equal points, then Youth Festival Committee will consider their prizes and points on Section C. In case if there is nobody got prizes on Section A and Section B, we will consider those who got highest points in single items for the Titles.
11. In order to be eligible for Kalathilakam, Kalaprathibha or rising star titles, participants must have participated in at least one of the following items
 - a) Knanaya Purathanapattukal (Single/Group)
 - b) Margam kali
 - c) Knanaya Quiz (Single)
12. In section B, an individual can participate only in any two of the following four items; Film song (Mal), Light Music (Eng), Light Music (Mal), Christian Devotional Song (Mal)
13. Karaoke or instrumental music will not be allowed for song competitions.
14. Background music is allowed for fancy dress competitions.
15. Minimum 3 participants required in group items.
16. Younger children can compete in higher categories if they wish, however children from higher category cannot compete in lower categories. Eg: a 4th grader belongs to Sub Junior category and if s/he wish to compete in Junior category that will be approved, however a 5th grader cannot compete in Sub Junior category.
17. The Decisions of the Judges will be Final for all the competitions. If you have any complaint, inform the youth festival committee in writing within 2 hours after the competition is done.



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18. Youth Festival Committee has the right to change the order, venue and time of the competitions based on the situations. The winners list will be published based on the availability of the results.
19. Organizing committee has the rights to cancel competition items without enough participants.
20. Topics for elocution competition, words for spelling bee competition and approximate order of the competitions will be announced on a later date.

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