



# Youth Fashion Show

Youth Fashion Show is designed to recognize the expertise of students in clothing construction or clothing purchasing



Contest Support provided by Smith County Extension Education Association

## Contest Rules

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1. Constructed garments **must be constructed by the student** submitting the entry. Any assistance from others should be minimal and to offer guidance or suggestions, and in no case, should an adult do the construction of any part of the garment submitted as the student's work. Garments found to have been constructed by someone other than the registered student will be disqualified.
2. **With the exception of the garment description portion, the worksheets must be completed by the registered student.** Teachers and parents may look over the worksheet and point out areas that need additional elaboration, but the words and thoughts must be those of the student submitting the project.
3. It is permitted and encouraged that a teacher or adult write the description to be used in describing the garment as it is modeled in the Fashion Show.
4. No item will be accepted for competition that is distasteful, suggestive, offensive or controversial. **USE GOOD TASTE!!**
5. Any article may be entered that was bought or constructed during a one-year period prior to the Academic Rodeo, but not previously entered in the Youth Fashion Show.
6. Each exhibitor is permitted only ONE entry in the Fashion Show.

### LEVELS

There are 3 Levels of competition in Youth Fashion Show.

Elementary – Students in Grades 3 through 5

Middle School – Students in Grades 6 through 8

High School – Students in Grades 9 through 12

### DIVISIONS

There are 3 **Divisions** in Youth Fashion Show:

**Construction Division** – The student constructs a garment and models the garment in the Fashion show. A student may add accessory items to the garment for the Fashion Show, but worksheets must be clear about what specifically was constructed. For example, if a student constructs a shirt, he or she will add jeans or a skirt for the Fashion Show, but the shirt will be judged for construction techniques.

**Smart Buying Division** – The student does comparison shopping before purchasing a garment which will be modeled in the Fashion Show.

**Nontraditional Construction Division** – The student completes a garment in a nontraditional way such as a garment constructed with duct tape.

## CATEGORIES

### Categories for the Divisions:

#### *Casual*

Garment should be suitable for school and casual after school activities, such as spectator sports, picnics, and casual dates. Examples are pants, jeans, skirt, or shorts each with a top, jumpsuit, casual or sporty dresses, skirt or pants with casual/sporty jacket, school coat, and coordinated separates.

***Dressy:*** Garments should be suitable for dressy activities such as dinner dates, theater, banquets, and job/scholarship interviews. Examples are men's and women's suits, dressy dresses, and dressy coats.

***Formal:*** Limited to garments worn for formal evening events and formal weddings. This category includes tuxedos, formal gowns, wedding dresses and bridesmaids' dresses. Garments in this category should not be suitable for ordinary daily activities.

***Specialty:*** Limited to athletic and special purpose garments. Examples are band, pep squad, and cheerleader uniforms; athletic garments such as jobbing suits, swimsuits, leotards and ski-wear; sleep wear; and theatrical and circus-type costumes such as clown suits and ballet costumes. Garments in this category should not be suitable for ordinary daily activities.

### Contest Procedures

- Worksheets are submitted to the Academic Rodeo Office by the deadline, which is one or more weeks before the contest. Note that a picture of the garment no larger than 4 x 6 is required with the worksheet.
- Construction and NonTraditional Construction garments are also submitted at the same time as the worksheets.
- Each participant's entry in the Construction and Nontraditional Construction Divisions will be judged on construction techniques and quality (40 points), completed Construction Division worksheet (40 points) prior to the fashion show and on fit and modeling presentation (20 points) at the Fashion Show.
- Each participant's entry in Smart Buying will be judged on completed Smart Buying Division Worksheet (70 points) prior to the fashion show and on fit and modeling presentation (30 points) at the Fashion Show.
- When possible, the order of student modeling and a diagram of the modeling arrangements will be sent to sponsors prior to the day of the Fashion Show.
- **Contestant's Arrival:** Contestants must arrive at the Fashion Show location by the set arrival time. In the event of illness or conflicting events which prevent at student from attending the fashion show, scores already received will be averaged with a zero for the modeling portion. Though unlikely in construction divisions, it is very possible for a student to place in the Smart Buying division in this way. See the schedule for arrival time, time for photos, modeling practice, and the actual start of fashion show.
- Announcement of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in each category as well as Overall 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in the three divisions for each grade level will be announced at the end of the Fashion Show.

## Awards

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in each Category of each Division of each Level receive Place Ribbons and the winners are invited to the Awards Celebration.

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall Winners in each Division of each Level are awarded to receive Medallions.

Elementary Overall Winners receive a cash award. Middle and High School Overall Winners are eligible to apply for Academic Rodeo Scholarships.

Students who do not place receive a Participation Ribbon.

## Tips for Working with Students

### **REMEMBER . . .**

Primary communication with Coaches and Sponsors is done through e-mail provided with the School/Group Registration done online. If a coach or sponsor is not receiving e-mail information about the contest, he or she should check Spam/Junk folders on the computer and contact Academic Rodeo for assistance with getting the current information.

Deadlines exist for a reason. Please be aware of them and follow them. The **Academic Rodeo Calendar** in a true calendar format is on the Getting Started and General Info pages. The **Youth Fashion Show Timeline & Checklist** is on the Youth Fashion Show page and gives more details about the contest. If you have a problem with a date or deadline, please contact Academic Rodeo, realizing that usually it is not possible to make a change or give “grace” for deadlines. Often judging or other timings are scheduled close to the due date. To be sure your students get to participate, follow the deadlines.

Set benchmarks along the way to be sure the student is on track to finish or purchase garment and complete all required worksheets.

Check Worksheets and point out areas where the student should provide more information.

Be sure a good description of the garment and accessories is provided for the Fashion Show narration.

If you think the Narrator at the Fashion Show will have difficulty pronouncing a student’s name, provide a pronunciation.

Have your own fashion show if possible to provide practice and make the student more comfortable in front of an audience.