



THE ROCK COUNTY IDOL CONTEST
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The Rock County 4-H Fair
ENTRY FORM & CONTEST RULES

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____
Email address: _____
Age: _____

Please choose your age divisions. Auditions demo and entry form due June 2, 2025. You will be notified by phone or email if you are selected as a finalist.

Audition: Provide a Facebook, Tik Tok, or Instagram Demo – Singing demo (song of choice) and must also include “come see us at the Rock County Fair-July 22-27, 2025”. Please tag your Video to #RockCountyIdol2025. (Demo, may be used for Rock County Fair promotional opportunities on social media at a later date).

Entries are limited to the first 50 entries received in each age division.

PLEASE SELECT YOUR AGE DIVISION

- ____ Division I – Ages 5-12
____ Division II – Ages 13-17
____ Division III – Ages 18 & over

All Finalists must be available Wednesday, July 23, 2025. Winners must also be available Friday, July 25, 2025 (6:00 pm).

A \$10.00/solo, \$20.00/duet Entry Fee must accompany this entry form. Cash or card payments accepted. Entry fee is non-refundable.

I acknowledge that I/we have read the Contest Rules and agree to abide by them.

Signature of contestant: _____

(If under 18 years of age, parent or legal guardian must sign)

Have you ever performed as a professional, semi professional or paid performer?

Yes _____ **No. If yes, please explain** _____

Mail to: Rock County 4-H Fair, P.O. Box 606, Janesville, WI 53547

Return in person to: Fair Office: 1301 Craig Ave, Janesville (the fairgrounds)

ENTRY DEADLINE: JUNE 2, 2025

Entries must be received at the Fair Office before 4:00 p.m. or postmarked no later than June 2, 2025.

Entry: Participants must submit an entry form and entry fee of \$10.00/solo, \$20.00/duet. Entries are due June 2, 2025. Cash or cards are excepted.. Entries are limited to the first

50 entries received in each division. Entries are due to the Fair Office by 4:00 p.m. June 2, 2025, or postmarked no later than June 2, 2025.

Eligibility: Participants are defined as single or solo (1) or duet (2) people. All participants must be amateur entertainers. Professionals (are union musicians or whose talent is a source of income) are not permitted to enter.

Divisions: Division I: Ages 5-12 years of age (age as of June 2, 2025)
Division II: Ages 13-17 years of age (age as of June 2, 2025)
Division III: Ages 18 and over (ages as of June 2, 2025)

This contest will have two sections: Auditions and Finals.

Auditions: After receiving the signed entry form and fee, as well as social media tagged video (RockCountyIdol2025) the participants making it to the finals will be notified by phone/email. After all demo submissions, a maximum of five (5) participants from division I, a maximum of eight (8) participants from division II and a maximum of ten (10) participants from division III will advance to the finals.

Finals: Finals will take place on Wednesday, July 23, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. on the Rock County 4-H Fair Grandstand Stage. After finals, one participant from each division will be selected as the winner and will perform prior to the evening Grandstand Show on Friday, July 25, 2025.

Dressing Rooms: Dressing rooms are not available, please plan to use public restrooms.

Performance, clothing, and outfit: The Rock County 4-H Fair is a family event, no inappropriate attire, profanity on clothing, or inappropriate songs will be allowed. Judges will have the right to disqualify any participants not following the rules.

Judges: The Judges decision is final, and scores will not be released to participants or the public.

Judging Criteria:

- Overall quality of performance – 50%
- Vocal ability – 30%
- Stage presence – 20%

A panel of judges will judge auditions and finals. The panel of judges will be determined by the Rock County Fair and will not be released to participants or the public.

Music: The participants must use the same music selection for the auditions and finals.

Time Limit: Time limit is five minutes (this includes any spoken intros by the participants). Points will be deducted for acts going over the time limit.

Sound System: A sound system will be provided, and all participants will be required to use the sound system, microphones, and compact disc karaoke player.

Recorded accompaniment: Vocalist must use recorded accompaniment. Rock County 4-H Fair is not responsible for technical issues from home recorded material.

Awards: Each contestant will receive a souvenir for entering the contest. The one winner from Division 1 - will win \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) cash prize, Division II – will win \$500.00(five hundred dollars) cash prize. Division III will win \$1,000.00(one thousand dollars) cash prize. Each division winner will perform on the Grandstand Stage prior to the 8:00 pm show on Friday, July 25, 2025.

General Rules: All participants that advance to finals are responsible for their gate admission.

By entering this Contest:

1. All participants and their families release the Rock County 4-H Fair, Inc. and its agents from any liability resulting from their performance or attendance at this event.
2. All Participants give the Rock County 4-H Fair and its media contractors, the unrestricted authorization to use your name, photo, voice recording, video recording, entry materials or likeness in promotional materials without further compensation.

If you have any questions regarding the contest, please call the Rock County 4-H Fair Office at (608) 755-1470.