



SOLO AND ENSEMBLE MARIACHI CONTEST PROCEDURES

Please read the following to insure a smooth running contest:

- Report to contest site at least one hour prior to your first performance time.
- Come by the Contest Office to turn in your scores and to check in.
- Each Mariachi group will have 30 minutes in the warm up room. You will be asked to leave to the stage 5 minutes before your performance time.
- All Mariachi groups are allotted 15 minutes per performance slot.
- You will have three minutes to make sure all microphones are working and to make sure your kids are comfortable and familiar on the placement of mics. You are allotted a maximum of 10 minutes to perform. Make sure your program does not exceed 10 minutes. After your performance you will have two minutes to clear the stage.
- We will have two stage hands from to assist you with mics. Please instruct your students not to tap on mics and not to move the mics. The stage hands will take care of anything you will need. Please make sure to communicate with the two stage hands on anything you may need.
- Feel free to communicate with the sound engineer if you have any requests before your performance.
Constant requests for volume levels will not be permitted.
- **Make sure you bring scores that are in accordance to the requirements by the UIL State Office. Also, make sure you number every measure in the judge's scores.**
- We ask your cooperation with the schedule so the day will not be any longer than necessary. Please instruct your students, prior to coming to contest, as to what procedures you will be following at the contest. Do not take extra time in the warm up room or on stage.

Procedures for Checking Out:

- Come to the contest office after your performance.
- Make sure that your comment sheet and scores are in your packet.
- Make sure your comment sheet has a rating circled and written.
- If your group is awarded a Division One, you will be receiving medals for your each of your students. The number of students in your Mariachi group **cannot exceed 24.**
- If your group receives a Division One Rating, you are automatically certified to advance to the UIL State Mariachi Festival in late February.
- Once you receive your medals, you are done.
- Please make sure you take with you all of your scores, your comment sheet, and all of your medals.

Please be courteous to directors and/or students helping us with this contest. Not many directors are willing to offer their facilities and have their students work, so do not discourage the few who do by being discourteous to them. Any problems/comments you may have related to this contest should be directed to the UIL Office.

REMINDERS:

1. Tuner
2. Original Scores – measures numbered
3. Check made out to: UIL Music 15

If you have any questions, call me at 956-458-9114. It would be much better to email me with your specific question(s): uilmusic15@gmail.com. I will be in the Contest Office all day.

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