

BIBLE STORYTELLING (Male/Female)

PERFORMANCE EVENT

PLEASE REFER TO PLATFORM GENERAL GUIDELINES BEFORE PREPARING FOR BIBLE STORYTELLING COMPETITION.

The purpose of this contest is to **train students to organize and deliver an unscripted, impromptu presentation of a common story in the Bible**. This platform event is especially suited for students who are interested in developing public speaking skills without memorization.

1. Upon checking in at the judges' table **30 minutes** before their scheduled presentation time, each contestant will draw **one common Bible** story from a bowl.
2. Contestants will have **30 minutes** to organize their presentation and create props using the supplies provided by the judges. A prop table will be available for student use.
3. Costumes are not permitted.
4. The presentation must include an application: a practical lesson or takeaway from the Bible story—how the truth of the story applies to the listener's life today.
5. Time limit is **six (6) minutes minimum, eight (8) minutes maximum**. If competition piece does not meet the six (6) minute minimum or exceeds the eight (8) minute maximum time limit, the contestant will receive a **.5-point deduction from each judge** for any portion of thirty (30) second increments outside the allotted time. (For example, a piece timed at 5:42 would receive a half-point deduction from each judge. A piece of 8:42 would receive a deduction of a full point from each judge.) A visible timer will be available to the presenter.

BIBLE STORYTELLING JUDGING CRITERIA

Areas of Evaluation	POSSIBLE POINTS
Content	
A. Effectiveness of overall narrative	(1-10)
B. Story appropriateness to target audience	(1-10)
C. Organization and flow of story	(1-10)
Clarity	
A. Diction	(1-5)
B. Pronunciation/Enunciation	(1-5)
C. Voice projection and inflection	(1-5)
Presentation	
A. Approach/departure	(1-5)
B. Posture and gestures	(1-5)
C. Poise/self-confidence	(1-5)
D. Facial expressions	(1-10)
E. Audience rapport	(1-10)
F. Delivery	(1-10)
Proper documentation submitted	(1-5)
Compliance with A.C.E. Guidelines	(1-5)
TOTAL POINTS	(100)

Please note: Documentation for this event includes one (1) color photo with the student name, school name, customer number, school address, and telephone number. Please include three (3) judges forms with photo.