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2016-2017 KERN COUNTY ORAL LANGUAGE FESTIVAL

The 2016-2017 Kern County Oral Language Festival is an opportunity for students to focus on interpretations of literary works.

Please review the rules, guidelines and score sheets carefully prior to festival preparation. Your regional contact will be responsible for having the site administrator sign off entries for the Kern County competition this year. The administrator's signature will ensure that the selection and presentation has been reviewed for compliance. In signing for compliance, please verify that the piece and its presentation meet all the rules. **Any selection to be presented at the Kern County Oral Language Festival must be submitted with the Regional Winner Form. A KCSOS committee will be reviewing each piece for appropriateness prior to the Kern County event. Inappropriate selections will disqualify the student(s) from participating.**

Literature selections must be appropriate for age, event, and presentation to a community audience which may include small children. Literature selections must be **published works** (not anonymous or author unknown) that are available to all students; selections that are found only in distributions such as organizational newsletters, the Internet, video or audio recordings, and regional newspapers are not acceptable. Students are allowed to use sound effects as written in the text, but may not add sound effects that alter the author's text.

The 2016-2017 Kern County Oral Language Festival's five events are:

INTERPRETATION SERIOUS- SOLO and INTERPRETATION HUMOROUS-SOLO
INTERPRETATION SERIOUS – DUO and INTERPRETATION HUMOROUS – DUO
VERSE CHOIR

Timing for *all* events: Minimum time – 3 minutes and Maximum time – 5 minutes

STUDENTS MAY PARTICIPATE IN ONLY ONE EVENT

The 2016-2017 Kern County Oral Language Festival will be held on the following date:

Saturday, January 28, 2017
Stonecreek Jr. High School
8000 Akers Rd., Bakersfield, CA 93313
8:30 am -10:45 am – grades 4-6
11:30 am –1:45 pm – grades 7-8

School and regional events must be completed and entries submitted by **Friday, December 16, 2016**. The fee for this event is **\$40 per entry**. Please make **checks or Purchase Orders** payable to: Kern County Superintendent of Schools and mail to: 1300 17th Street, 5th Floor, Bakersfield, CA 93301 - **Attn: Teresa Twisselman**. Please do not send directly to the Business Office. For information about regional events, please contact your regional contact person.

For additional information, please contact Teresa Twisselman, English/Language Arts Coordinator, at 661-636-4645 or tetwisselman@kern.org or Christine Goedhart-Humphrey, Student Events Coordinator, at 661-636-4330 or chumphrey@kern.org