

Oh Say Can You Sing...

The National Anthem?????

The Florida State Fair Agribusiness Department is looking for talented Florida FFA and 4-H members who would like to sing the National Anthem during different events at the Florida State Fair, February 7th—18th, 2019.

1. 4-H and FFA Members must compose an original video of them singing the National Anthem. Video must be sung A Cappella (with no background music) as if they were singing at the Fair.
2. Each student must complete the On-Line Registration Form by **Friday, November 2nd**. The On-Line Registration Form is located on the Florida State Fair Agribusiness website – www.floridastatefairag.com.
3. **All videos will need to be uploaded to YouTube on or before November 2nd. The video link must be included with the On-Line Registration Form.**
4. Exhibitors are asked to be in official dress when doing the video and at all singing events during the Fair.
5. **Only Florida residents that are bona fide 4-H members (8 years old or older as of Sept. 1, 2018) or FFA members will be eligible.** All entrants must be currently active in the 4-H Club program or the Vocational Agricultural Program in Florida.
6. All videos will be reviewed and the selected students will be notified by December 15th. Several singers will be selected to perform at different events during the 2019 Florida State Fair.
7. Failure to adhere to the rules may result in disqualification, which is the decision of the judges.
8. Videos become property of the Florida State Fair with rights to publish for promotion.
9. Special gifts will be given to all the youth that are selected to participate.



How to Create a Video

1. Preparing to Video the Singer

- a. Equipment
 - Video Camera, Camera with video ability
 - Microphone
 - Tripod
 - Lights
- b. Person to shoot the video
- c. Set –up of your video location
 - Small room – normal 8’ ceiling height
 - Make sure the light source is to the camera’s back
- d. Filming
 - Film at time without distracting noise, traffic, phone ringing, etc
 - Make sure your outfit is **official show attire** (required) and that it does not bleed into the wall color.
 - A good video has an excellent audio. Types of microphones are **lavaliere** (clip-on), **hand-held** and **shotgun** (very long and attach to camera- very sensitive). Many cameras have audio, check if an external microphone such as a lavaliere can be used. Test your internal microphone before filming. If you can use an external microphone, a lavaliere microphone is suggested. It allows for movement as you demonstrate.
- e. Lighting
 - Test the lighting in the room for a sample video shot. Will it wash out the singer or cast shadows? The lighting should be parallel to the camera towards the film area.

2. Lights – Camera – ACTION

- a. Practice first before shooting
- b. After a few practice runs, now shoot a sample
- c. Review the video
 - Does it appear seamless?*
 - How is the lighting? Are there problem areas to fix?*
 - Is the audio clear and understandable?*
- d. When you are satisfied with your video, make sure you save it with your Title, Name and County

3. Submitting Your Video and Registration Form

- a. Deadline is **November 2nd, 2018**

- Registration Forms are located under the tab **Rules & Entry Forms** on this website <http://www.floridastatefairag.com>
- Click on the Oh Say Can You Sing – On-Line Registration Form. Fill out the form electronically and submit the form. Make sure all required information is included – especially the **unlisted link** to your YouTube video.

Video Submission: *YouTube.com*

- Upload as **Unlisted** so that only you and the Florida State Fair have access.
- File Format must be .MP4 or .WMV
- Instructions are available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e3JvQAPY9eY>

Check how the video displays on YouTube...if it does not post as you would like, then troubleshoot and re-do or upload again. Be sure to identify this is an edited video in your title.