

HIGH SCHOOL IDOL RULES

Eligibility: You must be a legal U.S. resident, 14 to 18 years old by September 2009 and enrolled in a Sarasota County High School. If you are less than 18 years of age, you must bring valid form of ID that shows proof of age and a picture (for example, a birth certificate and a driver's license or a birth certificate and a passport, school ID, etc.) and a release form signed by your parent or guardian and/or be accompanied by parent or guardian. You must be enrolled as a student for the 2009/2010 school year. You are ineligible if you already have graduated from high school as of June 1, 2009. You are also ineligible if a member of your family or household is employed at The Education Channel 20. Even if you are eligible, you may not have a chance to audition or be seen because we can see only a limited number of people on each day of the first audition.

Material: Be prepared to sing a cappella (without music) a song of your choice in the First Audition. In the event you are chosen to continue onto the Second Audition, you will choose a song to perform from a list provided and sing to pre-recorded music. If you are chosen to continue onto the Third Audition you will choose from a list of songs chosen by the Producer to be performed to pre-recorded music.

Paperwork: You will be required to fill out, sign and agree to all of the terms and conditions in our required forms. These forms are available on-line and should be filled out and submitted prior to the First Audition. There is a choice of dates on the registration form for the First Round. The Producer will make every attempt to honor the date chosen but reserves the right to reschedule contestants. Contestants will be notified if changes are made to the schedule. Those under 18 years of age need to either (1) mail in a signed Release Form found on-line or come to the audition with the Parental Release signed or accompanied by a parent or guardian. Some of the forms will be available at the audition locations. As you advance in the competition, you may be required to fill out and sign and agree to other contracts. If you are less than 18, both you and your parent or legal guardian must sign each of these forms. If you are found to have given any false information, you may be disqualified.

The Process:

1 **The First Audition:** Contestants should complete the Register form on-line and submit on-line or print out and mail to the Education Channel. However, you will also be able to register at the time you audition. A pre-determined number will be allowed to audition each day on a first come first serve basis and assigned numbers which will be used to schedule the order of Auditions on each day. Every attempt will be made to honor each contestant's first choice and that every contestant will get to audition. When arriving for the First Round of Auditions, Contestants will be required to sign in and verify eligibility. While waiting to audition, Contestants will be interviewed by a roaming TV crew and reporter. Appropriate behavior is expected at all times.

2 **The Second Audition:** This round is the semi final and only 20 contestants will make it to this level. Those chosen to continue will choose your song from a list provided by the Producer. You will perform the song with pre-recorded instrumental. If contestants have access to prerecorded instrumental CDs (karaoke) they may provide their own but they must remember to bring the CD to the second audition. The judges will choose contestants to move on to the Final of Auditions.

3 **Semi Final Audition:** The 20 semi finalists will perform at the Players Theater. Contestants will perform two songs with pre-recorded music either from the Producer's list or from a CD of their own. Tickets will be sold and contestants will perform before a live audience and judges will choose 10 finalists.

4 **Final Audition:** The final 10 Contestants will perform at the Players Theater. Contestants will choose two songs from a pre-determined list or provide their own pre-recorded music. Tickets will be sold and contestants will perform before a live audience. Judges will then choose first, second and third place winners.

NO WEAPONS, ALCOHOL OR NON-PRESCRIPTION
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES WILL BE PERMITTED AT ANY AUDITION OR
DURING THE COMPETITION.

CONTESTANTS CANNOT WEAR ANY CLOTHING ITEMS BEARING DESIGNER OR
SPORTS LOGOS OR BEARING THE NAME OR LIKENESS OF A CELEBRITY, LIVING
OR DEAD TO ANY OF THE AUDITIONS OR FINAL PERFORMANCES.
CONTESTANTS CAN BE DISQUALIFIED FOR INAPPROPRIATE DRESS
AS DETERMINED BY THE PRODUCER SUCH AS TOO SHORT
SKIRTS/DRESSES, TOO MUCH EXPOSED SKIN, INAPPROPRIATE SAYINGS OR
SYMBOLS ON ANY APPAREL. INAPPROPRIATE LYRICS AND BODY MOVEMENTS
WILL ALSO BE CAUSE FOR DISQUALIFYING.

Disqualifications: We reserve the right to disqualify and/or exclude, in our sole and absolute discretion, any individual from any of the auditions for any reason, including without limitation, violation of any portion of these rules, or tampering with the entry process or the audition process. We also reserve the right to change the rules and procedures at any time. Being chosen to audition and/or compete at any level in the process does NOT ensure that you will be selected to continue to the next stage.

GENERAL CONDITIONS: By participating, entrants agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the producers, the voting audience, and the panel of judges, which shall be final and binding. We reserve the right to use the auditioning process for publicity and other purposes, and to use the name and likeness of those who audition and who arrive to audition, including friends, family or any other individual accompanying the participant, as part of that publicity and for other purposes, without compensation unless prohibited by law. All federal, state and local laws apply. Dates are subject to change. Sarasota County Public School District, The Education Channel 20, theeducationchannel.net and the production personnel for

the television program, Participating television stations, advertising agencies or any person or entity connected with the production, administration or judging of the auditions or the program, or any of their respective parent companies, affiliates, subsidiaries, agents or representatives are not responsible for and shall not be liable for: (i) any failure of transportation, bad directions, or inability for any reason to appear at an audition site or audition or appear before the judging panels; (ii) any injuries, losses or damages of any kind caused by participating in the auditioning process or being selected to or disqualified from continuing in the auditioning process and/or the show; or (iii) any printing, typographical or technological errors in any materials associated with the auditioning process.