**McKean County Fair Talent Show Rules**

1. Open to all ages. There will be a youth division (19 and under) and an adult division.
2. Contestant will provide own soundtrack on a CD or IPod, or instrumental accompaniment if needed. No lead vocals allowed on soundtrack.
3. A limit of 5 minutes will be put on the length of each performance.
4. The judges’ decision is final. Contestants will be judged on the following:
5. Technique and natural ability 1-30 points
6. Execution/choreography, quality of performance 1-30 points
7. Stage presence and showmanship 1-30 points
8. Length of show – deduct 1-30 points if over 5 minutes
9. Any acts the Fair association feels are unsafe will not be allowed.
10. The McKean County Fair will provide lighting and sound.
11. Each performer will perform twice during the competition. There will be a short intermission after everyone performs once.
12. Acts must be appropriate for the family atmosphere of the fair.
13. The McKean County Fair and the Talent show committee have the right to disqualify a contestant from the show, for improper conduct.
14. The Talent Show Committee shall make the final ruling on deviation or conflict of the rules or a question that may arise which is not covered by these rules.
15. The McKean County Fair Board and members of the Talent Show Committee are not responsible for theft/damage and/or injury to persons or personal property during before or after the performance.
16. The stage used during the fair is approx. 8’6” x 50’.
17. Entries open June 21 and can be accepted up until noon on August 16.
18. Entry forms can be picked up at the fair office or downloaded from the Fair’s website.
19. Participant should arrive 30 minutes before the beginning of the show.