

Frequently Asked Questions....

If my school is not a CTEC member, can we enter our projects into the Video Festival?

Only current CTEC member schools are allowed to enter their students' projects. If you are not a current member and you plan on paying your membership dues when turning in your entries at the March meeting, that is acceptable.

I have a video that a student created, but I'm not sure which category it would fall into. Can I enter the same video into two categories?

No, you may not enter the same video into multiple categories. Even if it is a different section of the same video, you may enter it in one category only.

I only requested 10 tickets on my Submission Summary sheet. Can I bring 5 extra students with me to the festival in April and pay when I check in?

No, all ticket requests must be made when you turn in your Submission Summary sheet. You may not bring extra students with you on the day of the festival. If another school has extra tickets they have already purchased and are not using, you may purchase them from that school (Please notify Lisa Traut of any exchanges so an accurate record of school tallies can be kept). Please use the list-serv (ctec-list@listserv.ipeds.org) to notify all schools if you have extra tickets that you have already purchased.

Can I submit a request for extra tickets before the festival in April?

All ticket requests must be made at the March 13th meeting. Each school can bring up to 25 students to the festival. If a school wishes to bring more than 25, they must place a request for more tickets on the Submission Summary Report and turn that request in at the March 13th meeting. **Do not include the amount for the extra tickets in your check.** If there are extra tickets available, you will be notified by Lisa and then a separate check will need to be submitted prior to the video festival in April.

I have a video that is originally 12 minutes long, but the category limit is 5 minutes. Can I put the entire 12 minutes onto the DVD and just hope that the judges will stop watching after 5 minutes?

Please do not put any extra video onto the DVDs beyond the time limit for that particular category. If the category limit is 5 minutes, please put only 5 minutes onto the DVD. **If you put more than the category limit on the DVD, it will be disqualified.**

Does the slate count as part of the TRT for each entry?

No, since the slate is not part of the student's project, it should not be included in the TRT.

Will we receive actual tickets for the Video Festival?

Each school will receive a Welcome Packet when they arrive at the Video Festival in April. Inside the packet will be the schedule for the day as well as information regarding restaurants/fast food locations in the area.

How were the Divisions created?

In an effort to recognize more students' work at the festival, we are dividing the schools into two divisions. Because a student has the potential to be in a Media program for 4 years, we took data from the past 4 years. The divisions were created based on the overall number of entries into the festival (during the past 4 years) divided by the number of winning entries. For the 2012 festival, the division line was set at 13%. Schools with a percentage of 13 or higher were placed in the A Division and schools with a percentage of 12.99 or lower were placed in the AA Division. Awards will be given out in both divisions for all categories except for How-To, Talk Show, Live Event Sports, and Live Event Performing Arts. Each year, prior to the video festival, the data for the previous 4 video festivals will be looked at and adjustments will be made as to in which division each school will be placed. It will be very possible for schools to change divisions every year. Schools that are new to the video festival will automatically be placed in the AA Division for their first year.

What is the student-to-teacher ratio for the Video Festival?

It is recommended that for every 10-15 students, you have one teacher/staff member.

Are parents allowed to attend the Video Festival in April?

No, this event is for students and staff only from CTEC member schools.

Frequently Asked Questions Continued...

Since lunch will not be served at the video festival, will the students/staff be sitting the entire time or will there be breaks in the program?

Approximately three breaks will be scheduled during the video festival. Each break will be 5-10 minutes in length and will occur approximately every hour so students will not be sitting for more than one hour at a time.

If I misplace this packet, where can I find it and/or the forms?

A copy of this packet and all the necessary forms/spreadsheets can be found under the “Video Fest” tab on the CTEC website - www.ctectv.org.

We are bringing an Activity Bus/van to the festival. Is there a special place to park?

Information regarding parking will be sent via email to all participating schools in advance of the video festival.

I have a student with a medical condition that requires him/her to eat every couple of hours. Can they bring food with them?

While most schools that host have a no food/no drink policy for their auditorium, it will not be a problem for that student with a medical condition to eat or drink in the lobby of the auditorium. There will be breaks throughout the festival to accommodate these types of needs. If you have a serious concern, please contact the CTEC member from the host school.

Is there a dress code for the festival?

There is not a dress code for the festival. We ask teachers to remind students to wear clothing that is school appropriate. Since many schools have a no hat policy, we also ask that teachers remind students not to wear hats. Many students do wear business casual clothing, but that is certainly up to the discretion of the school & is not required.

The video festival event in April starts and ends when?

The Video Festival is on Friday, April 27th at Neuqua Valley High School and the program will begin **promptly at 9am**. Registration will begin at 8:30am. (Schools are strongly encouraged to aim to arrive at 8:30am.) The Video Festival will conclude no later than 2pm.