



Red, White & Blue Costume Contest: Official Rules

Date & Time:

- The contest will take place on July 4th at 5:30 pm in the Entertainment Pavilion.

Eligibility:

- Participants must be 18 years or older to enter.
- Contestants must register for the contest by 5:00 PM on July 4th.

Theme:

- All costumes must prominently feature the colors red, white, and blue.
- Costumes should reflect the spirit of Independence Day.

Categories:

1. **Best Overall Costume**
2. **Most Creative Costume**
3. **Best Patriotic Costume**
4. **Best Group Costume (2 or more people)**

Judging Criteria:

- **Creativity:** Originality and inventiveness of the costume.
- **Relevance:** How well the costume fits the theme.
- **Craftsmanship:** Quality and detail of the costume.
- **Presentation:** Overall presentation, including any performance or explanation of the costume.

Judging Process:

- A panel of judges will evaluate the costumes based on the above criteria.
- Each category winner will be announced at the end of the contest!

Prizes:

- Prizes will be awarded for each category winner.

Registration:

- Contestants must sign up by filling out a registration form available at the event location.
- Registration closes 30 minutes before the contest begins.

Costume Guidelines:

- Costumes must be appropriate for a family-friendly event. – This is a PG event!
- Face Coverings can be worn as part of costume, but only can be worn as part of the contest. Must be removed while not on stage.
- No offensive or inappropriate content will be tolerated.
- Costumes must be safe to wear and should not include hazardous materials or props.

Participation Rules:

- Contestants should be prepared to walk the stage or designated area to showcase their costume.
- Group entries must consist of at least two people and must register as a group.

Disqualification:

- Any contestant who violates the costume guidelines or event rules will be disqualified.
- The judges' decision is final and binding.

Miscellaneous:

- By entering the contest, participants agree to have their photos taken and used for promotional purposes.
- The event organizers are not responsible for any lost or damaged items.

Contact Information:

- For any questions or further information, please contact Hillsborough County Fair at 813-737-3247 or Suzanne@hillsboroughcountyfair.com
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