Modern Drama

Purpose

To encourage students to dramatize modern-day life applications of Christian truths.

Grade Levels

There are three grade levels in this event: 3-6, 7-8, 9-12.

(K-2 may participate with a higher grade level team, as long as the majority of the team is grade 3 or higher.)

Process:

- Select an appropriate modern-day application drama of the current year's theme.
- Provide costumes, props, and lighting if desired.
- Drama participants may perform in no more than two dramas.
- Students may participate in a higher age division but not in one below their grade level.
- Each congregation should register no more than four drama teams per age group.

Team Event

- Print out Team Sheet from on-line registration portal
- Turn in Team Sheet when the team checks in at the event

Rules

- The drama is a modern-day application of any Christian truth with respect to the current year's theme. This is not a Bible story reenactment.
- The drama presentation should be between six and ten minutes. The maximum time includes setting up, performing and exiting the stage area.
- Adults may help in set-up and break-down of props. Adults should be clear of the stage area during the performance.
- All CD players and special lighting must be powered by battery; no plug-ins will be allowed.
- The room regular lighting may not be lowered or blacked out for performance.
- No fireworks are allowed.
- Stages / Performance areas may vary in size. Be prepared to adapt.
- Drama teams need to arrive at least 15 minutes before performance.
- Spectators may enter or exit the room at designated times between performances.
- All participants will be pre-registered by their churches, and placed in a specific room. If a participant's name is not on the list or other changes need to be made, see the event coordinator for resolution.

Awards

There are three ratings available in each grade level – Gold, Silver or Bronze.

The drama will be judged in the level of the oldest participant.

Southeastern Leadership Training for Christ		MODERN DRAMA Award: Gold Silver Bronze	
	Exemplary	**Competent**	**Developing**
Script Content	☐ The script was very original and well written, held the audience attention, and Biblical principles were evident throughout. ☐ Excellent character development	☐ The script was interesting and held the audience attention and Biblical principles were evident some of the time ☐ Moderate character development	☐ The script held the audience attention some of the time ☐ Some character development
Message	☐ The main content of the drama was extremely relevant to this year's theme.	☐ The main content of the drama was relevant to this year's theme.	☐ The main content of the drama was somewhat relevant to this year's theme.
Acting	☐ Expertly connected with audience using eye contact ☐ Expertly pronounced and projected the spoken word ☐ All lines were memorized and delivered ☐ Emotion was expertly delivered using voice and gesture ☐ Movement on stage greatly enhanced story	☐ Connected with audience using eye contact ☐ Pronounced and projected the spoken word ☐ Most lines were memorized and delivered ☐ Emotion was delivered using voice and gesture ☐ Movement on stage enhanced story	☐ Some connection with audience using eye contact ☐ Pronounced and projected the spoken word some of the time ☐ Some lines were memorized and delivered ☐ Some emotion was delivered using voice and gesture ☐ Movement on stage somewhat enhanced story
Visuals **Sound Effects**	☐ Props were very appropriate and enhanced story well. ☐ Sets, if used, enhanced story well. ☐ Costumes, if used, greatly enhanced characterization ☐ Sound effects/background sound, if used, greatly enhanced story ☐ Visuals and sound effects were used safely	☐ Props were appropriate and enhanced story. ☐ Sets, if used, enhanced story. ☐ Costumes, if used, enhanced characterization ☐ Sound effects/background sound, if used, enhanced story	☐ Props were somewhat appropriate. ☐ Sets, if used, enhanced story somewhat. ☐ Costumes, if used, enhanced characterization somewhat. ☐ Sound effects/background sound, if used, enhanced story somewhat ☐ Visuals and sound effects were not used safely
Time Limit	☐ The drama was a minimum of 6 minutes, with total elapsed time of less than 10 minutes.		☐ The drama was less than 6 minutes, or the elapsed time was more than 10 minutes.
Overall Effectiveness	☐ The drama was very interesting and entertaining. I would like to see another drama presented by this group.	☐ The drama was interesting and entertaining.	☐ The drama was somewhat interesting or entertaining.
Judge's comments:			