

**Rotary District 5340  
Youth Instrumental Music Competition**

**Club Presidents  
Area Assistant Governors**

**Music, a very important part of our lives, has been found to be valuable in the mental development of adolescence. This competition is to identify the musicians who best demonstrates his/her musical talent and love for music. Prize money will be awarded at each level of completion: Rotary Club Contest, Rotary Area Contest, and the Finals at the District Contest.**

**This is great opportunity for your club to work closely with the local High School Music Department and promote Rotary's commitment to the arts and music education. The following are suggestions on how this music contest can be promoted:**

- 1. Meet with the High School Principal and the Music department for their endorsement of the Music contest and to encourage the participation of their students. Also consider other music teachers or supporters.**
- 2. Notify the local newspapers of the Music contest.**
- 3. Publicize the performance within the Club and invite the public to attend Club competition. Make the performance a social event.**
- 4. Seek qualified judges from outside the Club**
- 5. Submit names of the Club winners to Bob Hartsfield by January 31, 2019 with \$200 entry fee payable to Rotary District 5340.**
- 6. The area Contest dates will be determined no later than February 1, 2019.**
- 7. The contestant is responsible for travel expenses. If in special circumstance a Rotarian drives the contestant, the Rotarian must be youth certifies.**
- 8. Suggested Prizes: Club level - 1<sup>st</sup> \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$75, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$50 (Club funded)  
Suggested Prizes:-Area Contest - 1<sup>st</sup> \$150, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$100, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$75 (shared by Clubs)  
Final Prizes Sponsored by Rotary District 5340:  
1<sup>st</sup> \$2,500, other participants \$500  
Total cost for the club – approximately \$700 including \$200 entry fee**

**For further information and Questions, contact:** **Bob Hartsfield**  
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**Attached are the following documents:**  
**Rules and Judging criteria**  
**[Student Application Form](#)**

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2019 Youth Instrumental Music Contest**

**Rules**

- 1. Open to High School age students residing in the District 5340 region**
- 2. Limited to instrumentalist only. Any musical instrument is allowed.**
- 3. Sponsored by a District 5340 Rotary Clubs**
- 4. Performance time will between 3 and 8 minutes, with strict penalties for over or under time the allowed time.**
- 5. Winner of any level (Club or Area) must be able to compete in the next level to be eligible for the prize money.**
- 6. Contestant is responsible travel expenses.**
- 7. Contestant is responsible for an accompaniment if needed.**
- 8. Must provide 4 copies of music for the judges.**
- 9. All decisions of the judges is final and are based on musical ability, musical empathy/technique, interpretation and stage presence.**