

# LONE★STAR Storytelling Festival

## Student Storyteller Audition FAQ Sheet – 2012

### ***What will Student Storytellers do?***

- Student Storytellers ages 8-18 will be performing at the Lone Star Storytelling Festival, in Frisco on **Saturday, October 20th, 2012**. These storytellers will share the stage with nationally and regionally recognized storytellers, and tell a story no more than 5 minutes long.

### ***How are Student Storytellers selected?***

- Student storytellers will be selected by a panel of judges at the Frisco Public Library.

### ***What needs to be on my audition DVD or YouTube performance?***

- Have a parent or the school librarian record the student, telling a memorized story of his or her choice – no reading from books or scripts please! Students may not use DVD performances from previous year's festivals!
- The story should be no more than 5 minutes long. Please do not record the audition outside.
- Make sure teller states his or her full name and the name of the story at the beginning of the audition.
- Write the students name on the actual DVD with a black Sharpie.
- Make sure to shoot the performance in an open space. Give the student plenty of room to move around ensuring they are not backed up in a corner.
- If selected, the students may use the same story they audition with to tell at the Festival, or they may select a new story available during the student teller orientation.
- Auditions must be recorded on a PC formatted DVD or a DVD that can be played in a DVD player. Students may also upload the audition to YouTube.
  - On the audition application form, indicate which format the student has selected (PC or DVD) OR indicate the YouTube URL.

### ***How do I submit an audition?***

- Pick up a Student Storyteller's Audition Packet at the Frisco Public Library from the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, the 1<sup>st</sup> floor Teen room, or at [www.friscolibrary.com](http://www.friscolibrary.com). Frisco ISD students may also pick up an Audition Packet from their school library.
- Submit both the audition DVD or YouTube URL and a completed audition application form to the Frisco Public Library during the Library's regular business hours (Monday -Thursday, 10am-9pm; Friday - Saturday, 10am-6pm; Sunday 1pm-5pm) between **April 1 and May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012**.
- If you do not have access to a DVD-compatible video camera, check with your school librarian!

### ***What is the audition deadline?***

- **Sunday, May 6<sup>st</sup>, 2012 at 5:00pm**. No exceptions!

### ***Will Student Storytellers be paid?***

- No compensation will be paid to student storytellers, but they will receive up to **4 complimentary** passes to the Lone Star Storytelling Festival (an \$80 value).

### ***What preparation is there for Student Storytellers?***

- Student storytellers must attend a minimum of 7 coaching sessions at the library during the summer/fall of 2012.

### ***Will the Student Storytellers' performances be promoted?***

- Biographical information will be requested from each of the student storytellers for use in pre- and post-Festival promotions.

### ***Where can I find out more?***

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