

## **2026 Jasper County Fair “Got Talent” Competition Rules**

1. The 2026 Jasper County Fair “Got Talent” Competition will be held on Monday, July 27, 2026, at 7:00 pm, in the Community Building. Participants check in 30 minutes prior to start time. Pre-registration is required. Entries must be received by Wednesday, July 1. Participants will be given ONE opportunity to perform and be judged for a prize.
2. A maximum of 20 acts will be allowed to compete in the competition. All ages are welcome to participate and do not have to live in Jasper County.
3. An entry fee of \$10 must be submitted by Wednesday, July 1, 2026, with registration form mailed to: Sarah Stone 308 N 9 th Street Rensselaer, IN 47978 . At check-in a bracelet will be given to all participants.
4. Set-up time is two minutes only. Ten penalty points will be deducted if set-up time exceeds two minutes. Each act will be allowed a total performance time of three minutes. An official timer will be present at each competition. Ten penalty points will be deducted from the score of any act that exceeds the three-minute time limit. Timing begins A) when music begins, when music is used, or B) at first movement or vocal utterance of performer without musical accompaniment. Music must end within three-minute limit.
5. All acts will use ONLY the sound system and sound operator provided; however, instrumentalists may bring their own amplifiers, if needed. All music must be on flash drive or CD (good quality), cued, correct side marked and labeled with the act's name. This flash drive/CD is to be brought to the “Got Talent” Competition on the day of competition at check-in time. Be sure only competition song is on flash drive/CD. Mis-cueing will result in a penalty deduction of 10 points.
6. No one other than the performer(s) will be allowed on stage. This includes all parents and teachers. Failure to comply with these terms and conditions may mean disqualification.
7. Videotaping will be allowed only in areas specified for that purpose.
8. The Director of the “Got Talent” Competition shall resolve any questions. His/her decision is FINAL. Any ties will be broken by all judges.
9. All acts must be family friendly and safe for the contestants and audience. Examples of acts could include vocal, instrumental, dance, novelty (comedians, mimes, skits, etc.), tumbling, clogging, and baton.
10. No professional artist or bands.

11. Scoring will be based on the following Indiana State Fair criteria:

A) A panel of two or more judges will serve at all competitions.

B) Judging will include but is not limited to the following criteria:

a. Artistry and creativity

b. Technique

c. Execution

d. Timing and Rhythm

e. Degree & Difficulty

f. Performance Factors

g. Showmanship and General Impression

h. Age-Appropriate Words and Songs

i. Entertainment Value

C) Any ties will be broken by the judges and talent show coordinator.

D) All awards will be presented at the end of the competition.

For more information contact:

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**2026 Jasper County Fair “Got Talent” Competition –  
Monday, July 27, 7:00 pm Pre-registration Due by July 1, 2026  
Entry Form**

Name of Entrant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Birthdate of All Participants:

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Description of Act: \_\_\_\_\_

Song Performed (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

**Flash Drive**

or

**CD**

Contestant(s) has read the Rules of the Jasper County Fair “Got Talent” Competition and agrees to abide by the terms. **A fee of \$10 per entry must be submitted with this form.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant

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Signature of Parent/Guardian (if under 18)

Make check payable to: **JCFA**. Please mail entries and entry fee to: **Sarah Stone ATTN:  
2026 “Got Talent” Competition, 308 N 9<sup>th</sup> Street Rensselaer, IN 47978**