

General Rules for Ritual Competition

All contestants must be active Kansas Job's Daughters in good standing and under the age of twenty (20) as of June 12, 2024.

All contestants must be registered and attending the **entire** Grand Session.

Contestants for all competitions will be judged in the age category that the Daughter falls in as of **May 1st**, 2024. Please list the age for each contestant as of **May 1st**, 2024 on the Competition Entry Forms.

LATE ENTRIES will be accepted only for those Daughters that are initiated after the May 1st registration deadline. Entries for Daughters initiated after May 1st, 2024 must be sent to the Session Chairperson within seven (7) days of the Daughter's initiation.

Read the competition information carefully. Several competitions have additional instructions that **MUST** be followed to enter the competition. **Please follow all directions and meet all deadlines so that your Daughters are not penalized.**

Many competitions have two categories. A lack of contestants may cancel a competition or cause a combining of the categories. The Session Committee reserves the right to make these changes. Each Bethel should be represented in all competitions if the contests are going to be continued.

******NEW THIS YEAR****** ALL Daughters may only enter **ONE** Ritual Competition. Capes & Crowns and Messenger Teams are separate and Daughters may enter those competitions in addition to the ONE Ritual Competition.

Robe judging will be held during the Ritual recitation portion of the competition.

DON'T FORGET THE DEADLINE FOR COMPETITION REGISTRATION IS May 1, 2024.

The Session Chairs will make every effort to schedule competitions so there are no conflicts. It is the contestant's responsibility to inform the Contest Chair of any conflicts in advance of arriving at Session. A contest schedule will be sent to each Bethel Guardian before Grand Session. If there are conflicts, you must notify the Session Chairs.

RITUAL COMPETITIONS

General Instructions

1. Judging will be from the current edition (2011) of the Ritual and the current edition of the Supreme Book of Ceremonies.
2. All work must be memorized and given in proper order.
3. There will be no spectators allowed in the competition room.
4. Each contestant will enter the competition room, introduce herself stating name, Bethel number and location and wait for the judge to indicate that she may begin. **THE JUDGES WILL COUNT OFF POINTS IF YOU DO NOT DO THIS!**
5. Official Regalia (white robe, long white slip, white hose, white shoes, white cord and headband) will be worn for all Ritual competitions.
6. Official Regalia including Capes and Crowns will be worn for Capes and Crowns.
7. Floor work will be judged where appropriate.

Please Note: Every year we have competitions that we cannot do because there are not enough entrants or enough teams. If you have a Daughter(s) who would like to be on a team, but not enough members to complete the team please contact Session Chairs.

WRITTEN RITUAL

FOR ALL ACTIVE JOB'S DAUGHTERS

Divisions

Ages: 10-14

Ages: 15-19

The competition will consist of a written test of true/false, multiple choice and fill in the blank.

All information found on the written test can be found in the current edition (2011) of the Ritual.

There will be a 45 minute time limit that will be enforced.

Place an "X" by each person's name who plan to take the test on the Ritual Competition Entry Form, so we will have enough copies of the test.

OFFICIAL REGALIA

SOP-Bethel-11 Section 1

- *White Grecian robe with wing sleeves and yoke*
- *Long white full or half-slip with slip length 4-6" from the floor*
- *White nylons (full or knee high)*
- *White flat shoes*
- *Headband*

Cords

- *White for Officers*
- *Tacked along the bottom yoke seam to within 2-3 inches of each side of center front (measured on the curve of the yoke)*
- *Crossed in the front center with three twists*
- *Around the waist once and tied in a square knot 1" below the natural waistline*

Robes should be 3" from the floor with a 4" hem.

SOP-Bethel-11 Section 2

Jewelry shall be limited to regulation membership and/or officer's jewels, awards, a watch and one additional piece of jewelry in keeping with the regalia.

NOTE

Points will be deducted for dirty or wrinkled robes and grooming. No polish on nails with the exception of nude or French style (white only). When in doubt, no polish. Don't let your Daughters lose points because they have polish on their nails.

RITUAL COMPETITIONS

JD2B Competition

Divisions:

Ages: JD2B (all 8-9)

1. Job's Daughters to Bee will recite the Friendship Poem (see below).
2. Contestant will sit in the 5th Messenger's chair.
3. Contestant will stand in front of the 5th Messengers' chair and when indicated by judges will recite poem.
4. Contestant will be seated when she is finished.
5. JD2B shall dress in compliance with the Dress Code for Grand Session.

Friendship Poem

A friend is someone we turn to when our spirits need a lift.

A friend is someone we treasure for true friendship is a gift.

A friend is someone filling our lives, with beauty, joy and grace.

A friend makes the world we live in a better, happier place.

PROFICIENCY LESSONS EXAMINATION

DIVISIONS:

Ages: 10-14

Ages: 15-19

1. Competition is open to all Daughters registered and attending Grand Session that have taken and passed the Proficiency Lessons Examination.
2. Contestants entering must do all Ritual work required as if taking the Proficiency Lessons Examination.
3. Floor work is not required.
4. The contestant will be prompted for each section of the test.

BETHEL ROOM SET UP

1. Competition is open only to those girls who were initiated between June 15, 2023 thru May 31, 2024.
2. Basic Bethel room items, such as an Altar and HQ's chair and podium will be in place.
3. Each Daughter will have 10 minutes to set up a mock Bethel room to include all items of paraphernalia necessary for a Bethel meeting.
4. Daughters must stay outside the competition room until the judging is done.
5. Judges will grade the set up and then ask the Daughter to help remove all items in preparation for the next Daughter.

CIRCLE FIVE

DIVISIONS:

Ages: 10-14

Ages: 15-19

1. Competition is open to all Daughters registered and attending Grand Session.
2. Contestants may enter only 1(one) Messengers' Initiation Lecture.
3. Daughters are to enter the competition room, introduce themselves as instructed in the GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS and then be seated in the appropriate chair.
4. The judges will indicate when they are ready for the contestant to begin.
5. The contestant will then stand and say the Station and Duty for the station she has entered. Then the daughter will recite the initiation part, including instructions to the Guide and Marshal.
6. Floor work will be judged.
7. No Daughter may compete in any Circle Five Messenger Lecture that she placed first at the previous Grand Session.

STORY OF JOB

DIVISIONS:

Ages: 10-14

Ages: 15-19

1. Competition is open to all Daughters registered and attending Grand Session.
2. Contestants are to present all five Messenger's Initiation Lectures in succession – like a story.
3. Instructions to the Guide and Marshal are not included.
4. The contestant is seated in the First Messengers chair and does the floor work from there.
5. The judges will indicate when they are ready for the contestant to start.
6. When completed, the contestant will be seated in the Fifth Messenger chair.

MESSENGER TEAM

1. Any number of five-member teams from each Bethel may compete. A CONTESTANT MAY NOT COMPETE ON MORE THAN ONE TEAM.
2. Bethels are encouraged to combine Daughters to form any number of teams.
3. Daughters enter room and are seated. One Daughter will stand and introduce all members of the team.
4. Judges will indicate when they are ready for the team to start.
5. Messengers' Initiation Lectures are to be given in succession, INCLUDING FLOOR WORK AND DIRECTIONAL LINES TO THE GUIDE AND MARSHAL.

CHAPLAIN'S COMPETITION

Divisions

Ages 10-14

Ages 15-19

1. Competition is open to all Daughters registered and attending Grand Session.
2. The judges will indicate when they are ready.
3. Contestants entering must present the following: (a) Chaplain's Station and Duty, (b) Pledge of Honor for Adults, (c) Opening Prayer or Lord's Prayer, (d) Obligation (including Ritual part and Proficiency Lesson #2), (e) Initiation Closing Prayer, (f) Closing Prayer
4. Contestants will be judged on opening the Bible, attending at the Altar, and then closing the Bible.

GUIDE COMPETITION

DIVISIONS

Ages: 10-14

Ages: 15-19

1. This competition is open to those Daughters who have served (or are currently serving) in the position of Guide, Junior Princess, Senior Princess or Honored Queen.
2. The judges will indicate when they are ready for her to start.
3. The Daughter will give the Guide's station and duty and then she will give all speaking parts for the office of Guide for the Ceremony of Initiation.
4. All directional lines and floor work must be included and will be judged.

CAPES AND CROWNS

1. This competition is open to Honored Queens, Senior Princesses, Junior Princesses, Past Princesses and Past Honored Queens who are registered and attending Grand Session.
 2. This is a three-member team competition – Honored Queen, Senior Princess and Junior Princess.
 3. Teams may be combined from multiple Bethels to form one team.
 4. Official Regalia for Honored Queens and Princesses must be worn.
 5. All speaking parts for the Ceremony of Initiation will be given, including Proficiency Work.
 6. All directional lines and floor work are to be given and will be judged.
 7. Judges will give the sentence immediately preceding the speaking part if it is not given by a team member.
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