



Variety Show Guidelines & Rules

- Only one act per student (except Finale).
- All members of an act must be students of OHS.
- Acts should not exceed 2.5 minutes.
- Acts can be solo or groups.
- Songs & Costumes must be school-age appropriate.
- Please refrain from lip-synching or air-guitar. Authentic performances only!
- Music? Please hand a CD copy of the music at the preview. MP3 files can be E-mailed.
- Props? Hand-props work best!
- The first act to register a song will be the only act allowed to perform that song.
- All performers **MUST** attend a preview and the dress rehearsal.

Tips for Performers

- **PICKING YOUR ACT:** Think of something you do well that would fit into a Variety show. Some examples include singing, dancing, magic, comedy routine, dramatic monologue, juggling, yo-yo tricks, mime, and gymnastics, reciting poetry or playing an instrument.
- **PRACTICE!** Prior to the show, practice in front of family and friends. The more you practice, the better prepared you will be. If you have trouble during practice, modify your act so that you are more comfortable. Ask your audience for feedback, and adjust your performance accordingly.
- **PREPARE!** Select your clothes and make-up, and then practice a few times in full costume.
- **PARTICIPATE** in all rehearsals.
- Be **PROFESSIONAL!** If you make a mistake during your performance, just keep going. Your audience is less likely to notice a mistake if you act like nothing happened.
- **PACE YOURSELF!** Make sure you move around the stage a bit, especially if you're singing, and try to make eye contact with people in the audience.