

# **MOMENTUM'S GOT TALENT**

Momentum's Got Talent is a program designed to encourage students in junior and senior high school to use their talents and skills to the glory of God. We believe that mankind is created in the image of God (Gen. 2:7) and is endowed by his Creator with talents and abilities (Matt. 25:14-27; 1 Cor. 12:4-7) which are to be developed for the benefit of the body of Christ (Eph. 4:12,13).

MGT is an incentive program to help Christian young people develop skills and talents that will equip them for ministry in their local church and its outreach. Developing performance skills is secondary to the primary purpose of guiding young people to develop a servant's heart for ministry. We want to discourage the possibility of a young person developing a talent or skill, but failing to pursue godly character.

Students are encouraged to practice their skill (vocal solos, teen challenges, creative writing, musical instruments, art, etc.) with the intention of auditioning for MGT! Once they feel proficient, they can have someone video record them and upload them to a site where they will be judged. We ask for quality recording so that the student can have the best advantage during the judging. The uploading site will be announced the end of March on the CE National website and through CE News on Line. Registrations can be uploaded from April 13-June 1.

From that initial judging, the top entries will be asked to minister at Momentum Youth Conference. Qualified judges will view the acts/submissions and choose those who will go on to potentially share their ability on stage in a Momentum main session. (This is based on the availability of time during the current year's Momentum schedule. Scholarships have been offered in the past from Grace College and Lancaster Bible College and we anticipate they will continue to offer scholarships. Any student whom the college feels has potential, not just those who make it to the main stage, may be offered a scholarship.

All students submitting a video upload will be asked to provide character references. Video uploading will open on April 13 and close June 1.

# ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER ADDITIONAL INFO

#### **MOMENTUM YOUTH CONFERENCE**

The MGT program began and continues to exist as an integral part of Momentum Youth Conference. Therefore, participants will be limited only to those teens registering for the entire conference.

#### LOCAL CHURCH INVOLVEMENT

All participants must be regular attendees of the weekly church program in the local church. Participants or adult leaders who bear a negative testimony for Christ prior to Momentum or during the week of Momentum can be disqualified from participation in all areas of MGT.

## **AGE/SCHOOL LEVEL**

Momentum's Got Talent is only available for participants registered as a student at Momentum Youth Conference.

#### **REGISTRATION**

Videos are to be submitted within the deadlines given each year and listed on the Momentum website and in the CE News Online. Original works such as paintings, photography, etc. must be presented to the MGT office upon arrival at Momentum Youth Conference, along with the appropriate paperwork. (See App.-1)

## **REGISTRATION LIMITS**

Individuals may participate in as many different categories as they wish, but will still only be eligible for one scholarship.

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MGT

Each participant must announce his/her name and selection (or title) at the beginning of the video.

A person or persons providing accompaniment in any of the instrumental, vocal, or keyboard areas need not meet the individual eligibility requirements. This also applies for any individual providing technical assistance in audio-visual areas for any category.

Each participant must dress modestly and appropriately for their area of ministry.

The content of all submissions and performance pieces must be God-honoring and Christian in nature.

## **AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships are given by college for tuition. Current schools giving scholarships include Grace College and Lancaster Bible College. Scholarships by these schools will be given as representatives review those who have made it to the MGT elimination round at Momentum. Scholarships are not limited to those who are granted a place on the platform during a Momentum pre or main sessions. Amounts of the scholarships may vary from year to year and from school to school. All scholarship monies are for tuition at the respective school and scholarships are not transferable. All scholarships are renewable if standards are met.

## **REGISTRATION/ENTRY FEES**

There are no entry fees for MGT. All registrations are submitted online. Information is found on the CE National website at buildmomentum.org.

## SUGGESTED CATEGORIES FOR MGT ENTRY

- Vocal solo (any music style permitted)
- Youth Band
- Small Vocal Ensemble (2-6)
- Large Vocal Ensemble (7-16)
- Youth Choir (17+)
- Instrumental solo
- Orchestra/Group Instrumental
- Manual signing
- Dance (any God-honoring style permitted)
- Pantomime
- Drama
- Mime
- Clowning
- Puppetry
- Interpretive Scripture Memorization
- Teen Speaker/Teacher
- Spoken Word
- Art Work (any type: painting, sculpting, drawing, photography, etc.)
- Graphic Design
  - O The presentations entered in this category include original graphic design such as banners, posters, flyers, or mixed media as well as original video production such as music, promotional/marketing, teaching, sermon intro, or film/documentary.
- Media Arts
- Videography
- Poetry
- Creative Writing
  - Participants may choose a variety of literary forms in which to write: fiction, short stories, a documented article, plays, testimonials or editorials, essays, etc.