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## ***2019 Mountain State Forest Festival Jester Clinic***

Each contestant must have and/or sign:

- Jester Parent Permission/Responsibility Release
- Mountain State Forest Festival General Release
- Mountain State Forest Festival Liability Release (at 1<sup>st</sup> Clinic)
- “Why I Want To Be A Jester” Essay
- Copy of Most Recent Report Card
- Educator Reference
- Clinic Score Sheet
- Total Score Sheet



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## GENERAL RELEASE

In consideration of my participation in the activities of the 83rd Mountain State Forest Festival, I hereby waive, release, and forever discharge the Mountain State Forest Festival Association from and against any and all claims or liability for any personal injury or damage to property I may suffer as a result of such participation in the Mountain State Forest Festival. In addition, thereto, I agree to indemnify the Mountain State Forest Festival Association and to hold the said Association harmless from and against any and all claims or liability for personal injury of whatever kind or nature or property damage of whatever kind or nature that I may suffer as a result of such participation.

Dated this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Participant Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian Signature)





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Jester tryouts for the 83rd Mountain State Forest Festival will be held on **Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 1p.m.**

Competition is open to all Randolph County Students who will be enrolled in grades 6 through 10 by September 1, 2019

**To be eligible, participants must attend all Jester Clinics listed below.**

**If you have been a Jester in the past, you may not compete.**

**Judging will be based on the following:**

1. An original paragraph of 100 words or less on "Why I Want to Be a Jester." Please complete your paragraph on an 8 ½ x 11 sheet of paper and present it at tryouts.
2. All participants will be required to perform a group routine which includes simple dance steps that will be taught during the Jester Clinics.
3. All participants will be required to perform a one to two minute routine that they have created. Please provide routine music to Jester Coaches on a CD on the first day of Clinics (April 30, 2019).
4. Appearance, attitude, smile, personality, cheerfulness and ability to work well with others will be scored during jester clinics and tryouts.
5. Ability. Participants will be asked to demonstrate various gymnastic skills (see score sheet).
6. Educator reference, an attendance and grade report, as well as personal reference.

**Other pertinent information:**

You will not be spotted during tryouts; therefore, you must be able to perform the gymnastic skills independently on a gym floor. **Clinics and tryouts are closed to spectators.** Scores will not be given out. Jesters will be announced the day of tryouts. Chosen Jesters will be expected, at all times, to perform to the best of their abilities. If at any time the chosen Jester refrains from tumbling, dancing, or fulfilling their duties as a Mountain State Forest Festival Jester, they will be replaced by the next runner-up according to tryout scores.

The 83rd Mountain State Forest Festival will be held Saturday, September 28, 2019 through Sunday, October 6, 2019. Jesters will not be permitted to participate in cheerleading and/or other activities when Minor Court activities are scheduled. There is a **mandatory parent meeting on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 5:30 pm at the start of the first Clinic** located at the McDonnell Center, Davis and Elkins College.

**JESTER CLINICS**

To be eligible to begin Jester Clinics, participants must present the completed and signed forms listed below at the first practice on **Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. Participants MUST attend all Jester Clinics.**

1. Completed Parent Permission/Responsibility Release
2. Mountain State Forest Festival General Release
3. Sign the Mountain State Forest Festival's Liability Release upon arrival at clinic.

**Tuesday, April 30, 2019 5:30-7:00 p.m. Clinic at McDonnell Center at Davis and Elkins College**

**Wednesday, May 1, 2019 5:30-7:00 p.m. Clinic at McDonnell Center at Davis and Elkins College**

**Thursday, May 2, 2019 5:30-7:00 p.m. Clinic at McDonnell Center at Davis and Elkins College**

**Sunday, May 5, 2019 1:00p.m.-? Tryouts at McDonnell Center at Davis and Elkins College**



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## Parent Permission/Responsibility Release Jester

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

School: Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Age: \_\_\_\_\_

My child has permission to be a Jester in the Royal Court of Queen Silvia LXXXIII. I understand the cost will be \$1,250.00, which will include fabrics for the costume, costume maker's fee, gift for Queen from Jesters, gifts for Maids of Honor from Jesters, and tickets to selected festival events.

I will be responsible for transportation to practice and fittings. I will ensure my child will be in appropriate attire for all Minor Court events and any other required events and/or activities. I understand that **Jesters will not be able to participate in cheerleading and/or other such activities when Minor Court Activities are scheduled.**

In addition, I understand that I will be personally responsible for purchasing formal photos, which were taken for publicity purposes, independently from said cost, when applicable. Furthermore, I understand there is a secrecy requirement for all MSFF Minor Court participants and their families in that it is prohibited to post and/or release Minor Court information, including, but not limited to, photos or announcements, on social media prior to official releases by the MSFF Association.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)





## Mountain State Forest Festival Jester Tryouts Score Sheet

**Contestant #** \_\_\_\_\_

### 100 Word Essay & Interview – 0-10 Points

Presented Well/Overall Impression \_\_\_\_\_

**Rated on a Scale of 1 to 5:** (5-Outstanding/Excellent Performance; 4-Above Average; 3-Average; 2-Needs Improvement; 1-Poor/Below Expectations; 0-Does not possess specified skill)

### Tumbling

Handstand Roll-Down \_\_\_\_\_

Front Walkover \_\_\_\_\_

Back Walkover \_\_\_\_\_

Standing Handspring \_\_\_\_\_

Round-off Back Handspring \_\_\_\_\_

Round-off back handspring series \_\_\_\_\_

Standing Tuck \_\_\_\_\_

Standing Tucks \_\_\_\_\_

Round-off Back Tuck \_\_\_\_\_

Round-off Back Handspring Tuck \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Tumbling pass \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

## Group Routine

Timing with Group \_\_\_\_\_

Showmanship \_\_\_\_\_

Precision of moves \_\_\_\_\_

Knowledge of Routine \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

## Individual Routine

Moves match music \_\_\_\_\_

Precision of moves \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty \_\_\_\_\_

Showmanship \_\_\_\_\_

Creativity \_\_\_\_\_

Knowledge of Routine \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tryout Grand Total** \_\_\_\_\_

**Clinic Grand Total** \_\_\_\_\_

**Overall Total Score** \_\_\_\_\_