

IFCA INTERNATIONAL • YOUTH CONVENTION  
**NATIONAL WORSHIP LEADING  
MINISTRY TRAINING AREA (MTA)**  
*Rules & Guidelines*

➤ **PURPOSE**

To equip students for leading blended worship in their local Church.

➤ **RULES**

1. All entries should consist of Biblically based material or Christian principles. Entries must include one hymn, and one praise chorus, scripture, prayer. The rest of the time can be filled with any combination of these entities, while other supporting material is also encouraged.
2. The Junior High Division shall be limited to those in which all members of the team are in grades 7-9, and the Senior High Division to those in grades 10-12. (A group entry is considered a Senior High entry when any member of the group is in grades 10-12)
3. All entrants must provide three copies in outline form of the "Order of Service" they will be presenting, along with three (3) Evaluation Forms. "Order of service" includes everything that is going to take place, even supporting material. These copies will be brought to registration on the first day of the convention.

*Please DO NOT SEND your order of service prior to the convention..*

4. Entrees may consist of one person or a team of people.
5. The same presentation must be used throughout the Regional and National Ministry Training Area. In the event of an emergency, substitution of group members can be made in the entry, but only with the approval of the Youth Committee.

➤ **EVALUATION**

1. A panel of 3 persons will evaluate each entry. There are 6 categories of evaluation on each Ministry Training Area Evaluation Form. Each evaluator will assign a division 1, division 2 or division 3 rating for each category. Overall score will be calculated by taking an average of the scores awarded from all 3 evaluators.

| <b>Final Division Rating</b> | <b>Average Score</b> |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Division 1                   | 1.0 – 1.5            |
| Division 2                   | 1.6 – 2.4            |
| Division 3                   | 2.5 – 3.0            |

*Note: The National Ministry Training Area evaluators are advised to consider the age and experience of the entrant in the evaluation process and score accordingly.*

2. An introduction must be made by one of the team members to explain the theme. The introduction must include the names of all participants and the name of their church.
3. The length of each Senior High presentation should be between 10 minutes and 15 minutes. Junior High entries should be between 5 minutes and 10 minutes.

#### 4. Dress Guidelines

Boys: Dress pants, dress shirt with collar, and dress shoes. No flip-flops. Hair must be neatly cut and off the collar.

Girls: Loose fitting dress or loose fitting dress shirt with skirt. Dress shoes must be worn. No flip-flops.

#### ➤ **HINTS**

1. Electronic drum set, microphones, and piano will be available for use at the convention for each team's presentation. (All other instruments must be brought by individual teams.)

2. Amps, cords and other misc. equipment will not be provided.

#### ➤ **SCHOLARSHIPS**

There are currently no scholarships being awarded for this MTA.

***Questions? Contact:***

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