

COLORADO STATE GERMAN CONTEST

Folk Dance Critique Sheet

School: _____

Number of dancers: _____

Judges' Names: _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO JUDGES: Please make sure you have read the "Instructions to Judges" sheet in your packet.

RULES

One entry per school: minimum 8 dancers, no maximum; however, only 16 may be performing at a time.

Maximum time limit for performance: 10 minutes, with a 30 second grace period. Schools must perform the 'Sterntanz' using music and steps provided by Colorado German Day. Schools may perform a second optional dance. Dances must originate from German speaking countries, and schools should provide documentation that provides proof of authenticity.

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING

1. _____ **Precision and Interpretation:** The group keeps together in step and with music. Flow and continuity. Dances (0-20 pts.) may exhibit a variety of styles representing different regions.
2. _____ **Authenticity:** Dancers perform authentic folk dance steps (waltzes, polka, schottich, etc.). (0-20 pts.)
3. _____ **Difficulty of Dance Performed.** Dances employ intricate steps, a variety of patterns and elements such as (0-20 pts.) platters and lifts.
4. _____ **Costumes:** Originality and suitability. (0-20 pts.)
5. _____ **General Effect:** Spirit, interpretation of feeling, appearance as a whole. (0-20 pts.)

TOTAL POINTS: (100 possible) _____

(Judges should confer together to come to an agreement about which team was superior in case of a tie.)

MORE COMMENTS TO HELP THE CONTESTANTS (WRITE ON THE BACK IF NECESSARY.)