



louisianakids, inc.
An Educational & Entertainment Organization

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Happy New Year to all our esteemed Louisiana Kids, Inc. members!

As we welcome 2025, we are thrilled to step into another year of creativity, community, and achievements together.

Our heartfelt gratitude extends to every member, parent, and grandparent for your continued support throughout 2024. Your dedication is the cornerstone of Louisiana Kids, Inc., and our partnership with Optimist International strengthens our shared commitment to fostering optimism, youth development, and positive values.

Membership Renewal and Updates

Enclosed are the 2025 membership form and performer's contract. For the latest updates and announcements, be sure to visit our website <https://www.louisianakids.us> and check our events calendar.

2025 State Finals – “This Is Me” Circus Theme

Mark your calendars! Our 2025 State Finals will be held on **June 14th** at the ICS gymnasium, with the theme “**This Is Me.**” The event will feature circus-themed decorations and performances that celebrate individuality and creativity.

- **Special Awards:**
 - The **Buccaneer Award** will return, sponsored by the Pirates.
 - A new **Theme Award** will honor the participant whose act best aligns with the theme.
- **Group Song:** Participants will perform “**This Is Me**” from *The Greatest Showman* during the State Award ceremony, symbolizing our collective message of self-expression and empowerment.

Raffle Fundraiser – Winner Announced at State Competition

We are excited to announce our annual **Raffle Fundraiser!** While the exact start date is to be determined, the raffle will culminate with the winner being drawn during the **State Competition on June 14th, 2025.**

- Proceeds from the raffle help support Louisiana Kids, Inc. programs and events throughout the year.
- Don't miss the chance to win fantastic prizes while contributing to our mission.

We encourage all members to participate and help make this fundraiser a huge success!

Event Guidelines and Procedures

To ensure smooth operations at the State Finals:

- **Sound Booth Access:** Representatives may enter the sound booth only for production numbers or to address act-specific issues. This policy will be outlined in the competition letter.
- **Microphone Limit:** A maximum of 8 microphones per act will be enforced.

Celebrating 28 Years of Louisiana Kids, Inc.

As we celebrate our 28th year, we remain dedicated to nurturing talent, fostering creativity, and building a supportive community for all. Your enthusiasm and commitment drive our mission and inspire the next generation of performers.

Here's to another year of memorable moments and accomplishments. Thank you for being an integral part of Louisiana Kids, Inc.!

Warm regards,

Louisiana Kids, Inc. Executive Board

2025 Membership Application

Date _____



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Performers Last Name _____ First _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parish _____ Date of Birth _____ Male or Female (Circle One)

Phone _____ School _____ Grade _____ Previous Member? ____ Yes ____ No

Email Address _____ Church _____ Studio _____

1st Parent or Guardian Name _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

2nd Parent or Guardian Name _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Membership fee of \$40.00 must be included in order to complete the membership process

Membership is per Calendar year Jan 1 – Dec 31

Additional Membership Options

\$15.00 Non Performing Sibling Name: _____

\$20.00 Alumni Member Name: _____

\$45.00 Adult Member Name: _____

\$75.00 Married Couple Member Name: _____

Total Amount Enclosed _____

By becoming a member of the Louisiana Kids, Inc. organization, you are giving us permission to use any video, photo, or any other likeness obtained with the organization for purposes of promotion, publicity, etc., with no other compensation to said member.

There will be a \$35.00 charge on all returned checks

Office Use: Date Received _____ Check Amount _____ Check # _____

Please mail membership form and signed Membership Agreement / Release of Liability form to:



LOUISIANA KIDS, INC.
1132 BARBE DRIVE
WESTWEGO, LA 70094

LOUISIANA KIDS, INC.

MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT / RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I have read and understand that to be chosen to participate in Louisiana Kids, Inc. shows I will abide by the Performer Show Guidelines and by the State Office. As a member of Louisiana Kids, Inc., I gladly accept this responsibility to set a wonderful example for my family, my audiences and my God. I completely understand that if I choose not to abide by the Performers Show Guidelines I will be choosing to remove myself from the Member Show Invitation Registry. I am ready and willing to share my talented gifts in as many places I am able.

Professionalism

I understand that in order to participate with Louisiana Kids, Inc., that I, the performer, as well as my family and friends must exhibit high professional demeanor and/or attitude at performances and competitions. I understand that Professionalism is determined by the following:

- Showing up on time to performance venues as indicated on the event calendar.
- Canceling a performance includes due diligence in contacting a show producer to inform him or her of my cancellation in advance of the scheduled event.
- Working well with and respecting the Board, members and volunteers during performances and competitions.
- Presentation and behavior on and off stage during performances and competitions.
- Cooperation and helpfulness during performances and competitions.
- Good, healthy, non-prima donna attitude during performances and competitions.

I understand that any behavior not deemed professional will be reported to the State Directors and the Louisiana Kids, Inc. Board Members for review, and such review may result in permanent dismissal from the Louisiana Kids, Inc. organization.

Show Performance Time - Time Limit Notice All Entertainers

Performance tracks are limited to 3 minutes 15 seconds. Tracks longer in duration causes Louisiana Kids, Inc., performance time to cross over into the next venue time performance or go over our half hour/one hour performance time slots. All CDs are to be labeled with child's name, name of song, and time.

Attire

1. Clothing: I agree to abide by the dress code as described under each event listed on the event calendar.
2. Shoes/Flip Flops: The rule now stands if it has a HEEL and is decorated in sequins/rhinestones it will be permitted. Flip Flops with NO HEELS and decorated with sequins/rhinestones will NOT BE PERMITTED OR CONSIDERED as proper performance attire.

Release of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement

I, the performer, together with my parents and legal guardians:

- acknowledge that by entering the premises and participating in Louisiana Kids, Inc. related events that there are risks of injury, disability, death and/or loss or damage to person or property and voluntarily and knowingly assume any and all risks;
- acknowledge that there are risks of exposure, directly or indirectly, to communicable diseases including but not limited to the virus "severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)", "COVID-19" and/or any mutation or variation thereof and voluntarily and knowingly assume any and all risks;
- agree to release and hold harmless Louisiana Kids, Inc., its Board Members, members and volunteers with respect to any and all communicable diseases, injury, disability, death and/or loss or damage to person or property, including if such injury or damage is due to the negligence of Louisiana Kids, Inc. representatives. Should Louisiana Kids, Inc. representatives be required to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to indemnify and hold such harmless for all fees and costs.

MEMBER NAME (Please Print) _____

MEMBER SIGNATURE _____

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN _____

DATE _____