**AREA1**

**Regional Competition Contest Scope/Regulations**

**Contest: Early Childhood** **Competition Date: March 4, 2025**

**Chairperson:**  **Madison Gancasz** **Contest Site: Alfred Campus**

**Chairperson’s School: Niagara/Orleans BOCES** **Orvis Center**

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| **Items Evaluated** | **Possible Points** | **Explanation of Special Rule for Regionals** |
| **1. PRESENTATION (175)**  A. Lesson Plan:  Complete, accurate, age appropriate, materials support goals, neat and organized. | 45 | NO PREPARED MATERIALS can be used.  No children will be present for presentation of the lesson. |
| B. Personal Qualities:  Poise, attitude, grammar, voice, knowledge of Preschool teaching philosophy, child’s eye level. | 30 | Curriculum areas: Language Arts; Math; Music; Science; Social Studies  **The theme will be announced at the contest site on the day of competition& curriculum areas will be randomly chosen by contestants.**  A lesson plan outline will be distributed to contestants at the start of the contest. |
| C. Presentation Techniques:  Presentation supported goals, opportunities for children to interact with materials. | 30 | Unlike the national demonstration guidelines, the chairperson will not supply materials needed to construct or present the lesson to the judges. |
| C. Presentation Techniques:  Introduction &Closingwere completed, introduction was attention grabbing, closingsummarized the goals provided and transitioned or concluded the activity. | 20 |  |
| C. Presentation Techniques:  Attention getting, had engagement throughout then lesson. | 10 |  |
| D. Teachable Moments &Open-Ended Questions (2 — at least) | 10 | The ability to apply teachable moments and extra information outside of just the selected center. |
| E. Originality/Creativity | 10 |  |
| F. Lesson Materials: Geared to the age ability, and developmental needs of preschool children, designed to provide a variety of learning experiences. | 30 | Materials as shown in the required supplies list. |
| Time Penalty |  | 5 – 7 minutes, timed according to the national demonstration guidelines. |
| **3. WRITTEN TEST** | 30 | 30 Questions about Early Childhood Education from the textbook **Working with Young Children** |
| **4. CLOTHING PENALTY**  ( 0 to 5% of total points) |  | *Black pants/skirt, white shirt; according to National Standards, frills and large sleeves not permitted, miniskirts penalized.* |
| TOTAL POINTS | 215 |  |

**REQUIRED EQUIPMENT-SUPPLIES FOR CONTESTANT TO BRING**

1. 2 Glue Sticks
2. 1 White School Glue (1–4 oz.)
3. Markers — 10 Count
4. Crayons — 8 Count
5. Scissors
6. 12" ruler
7. Two Ink Pens (Black or Blue)
8. Three No. 2 Sharpened Pencils with Erasers
9. Scotch Tape — 1 Roll
10. Stapler —One Strip of Staples
11. 10 Paper Clips
12. Construction Paper — 10 Sheets of White & 10 Sheets Assorted Colors (20 Sheets Total)
13. Tissue Paper
14. Pompoms
15. Cotton Balls
16. Pipe Cleaners
17. String or Yarn
18. Popsicle Sticks
19. 12 Pack of Colored Pencils

**NO STORY BOOKS ALLOWED**

**NO PREPARED MATERIAL ALLOWED**

**SUPPLIED BY COMMITTEE:**

N/A

Time preparation will be – 1 ½ hours will be permitted to prepare lesson plan and materials. Following the lesson prep time, contestants will be given the test with 1 hour to complete and will have time to prepare for their presentation. Afterwards contestants will be given anextended response question(s) thatwill not be used towards the competition but for intel on their teaching beliefs/philosophies.

There will be one judging room, used for the lesson plan and activity (THERE WILL BE NO STORYTELLING/BOOK READING). There will be at least two judges. Contestants will meet judges before they begin.

**PLEASE REFER TO THE NATIONAL STANDARDS.**