

WFTS – TAMPA BAY IDOL “FRONT OF THE LINE” PASS CONTEST  
OFFICIAL RULES

**NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. A PURCHASE WILL NOT INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING.**

The Tampa Bay Idol “Front of the Line” Pass Contest (“Contest”) begins on 8/5/17 at 9:00 am Eastern Time and ends on 8/12/17 at 6:00pm Eastern Time (“Promotion Period”). The time will be determined by Sponsor’s timekeeping systems. Sponsor will have the sole discretion in determining the timeliness of any action or inaction related to this Contest. All times mentioned in these Official Rules are Eastern Time unless expressly noted otherwise.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

1. By June 11, 2017 you must be 15 to 28 years old (which means you must be born on or between June 12, 1988 and June 11, 2002). If you were born before or after this window, you are not eligible to participate this season.
2. Open only to legal U.S. residents with the unrestricted right to work in the United States and reside in Florida in one of the following counties: Hillsborough, Pinellas, Sarasota, Polk, Manatee, Pasco, Hernando, Hardee, Highlands and Citrus. Void wherever prohibited by law and outside the listed counties.
3. To accept an invitation to participate in the competition portion of the Program (currently scheduled to begin in January 2018), you must be able to demonstrate to the satisfaction of Producer that you do not have any contractual arrangement that would prohibit you from fully participating in the show and/or entering into any contracts required by Producer, including, but not limited to, an exclusive recording contract, merchandising contract, a live and/or global touring agreement and an exclusive management contract. In the event that you already have a management contract prior to your first audition in front of the Program judges, the requirement to enter into a management contract shall not apply to you provided that you can demonstrate to the satisfaction of Producer and 19 Entertainment that such contract commenced prior to the date of your first audition in front of the Program judges. By accepting an invitation to be a participant, you must timely complete and return such participant agreements, releases and all exhibits, schedules and attachments thereto that will be furnished to you by Producer and/or 19 Entertainment.
4. You must not currently be a candidate for public office and must agree not to become a candidate for public office until one (1) year after the initial exhibition of the final episode of the Program in which you appear (if selected to participate).
5. You must accurately complete, sign and agree to all the terms and conditions in our required forms. Forms will be available at [www.wfts.com/idol](http://www.wfts.com/idol). If you are found to have given any false information, you will be automatically disqualified at any time during the contest.
6. Employees of Scripps Media, Inc. d/b/a WFTS-TV (collectively, “Sponsor”), their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, advertising and promotion agencies, prize suppliers, including any vendors providing services in connection with this Contest (collectively, the “Sponsor Affiliates”) and the immediate family members (spouse, mother, father, in-laws, grandmother, grandfather, brother, sister, children and grandchildren) and/or those living in the same household of any of the foregoing individuals are not eligible. As of June 11, 2017 and continuing through the completion of the competition, neither you nor any of your immediate family members or members of your household (whether related or not), may be an employee, officer or director of: (a) NEG Operations Inc. and all majority owned subsidiaries (including, but not limited to, 19 Entertainment Limited, 19 Entertainment, Inc., 19 Touring LLC, 19 Recordings Limited and 19 TV Limited) (collectively, the “19 Companies”); (b) American Idol Productions, Inc. (“Producer”); (c) American Broadcasting Companies, Inc. (“ABC”); (d) FremantleMedia North America, Inc. (“FremantleMedia”); (e) Telescope Inc.; (f) any of the foregoing entities’ respective parents, subsidiaries or affiliated companies; (g) any person or entity involved in the casting, auditions, development, production, distribution, or other exploitation of the Program or any variation thereof; (h) any known, major sponsor of the Program; or (i) any person or entity supplying services or prizes to the Program. By participating, contestants agree to be bound by the Official Rules and the decisions of Sponsor.

**TO ENTER:** Online registration for Tampa Bay Idol opens at 9:00am on 8/5/17 by going to [www.ABCActionNews.com/Idol](http://www.ABCActionNews.com/Idol) and clicking on the “Registration” button displayed on the page. The online form must be filled out completely. The first 400 entrants who meet the eligibility requirements will be a contestant for Tampa Bay Idol. Entrants will be notified by email if they successfully registered and will receive instructions via separate email on audition instructions and audition time. Each contestant will get the opportunity to sign for up to 45 seconds in front of a panel of local judges on 8/12/17 at Florida Hospital Center Ice, 3173 Cypress Ridge Blvd, Wesley Chapel, FL 33544. All auditions are a Capella and no accompanying instruments or devices are allowed. Contestants must bring to the audition, a completed paper copy of “Eligibility Requirements” form, “Audition Agreement” and “Consent/Release Agreement,” all found at [www.ABCActionNews.com/Idol](http://www.ABCActionNews.com/Idol). Contestants must bring to audition, legal identification, either driver’s license or birth certificate, showing birth date.

Incomplete entries will be disqualified. Contestants may not enter the Contest more than once. Multiple entries from the same person will not be accepted. Multiple entries by means of software-generated or other automated processes will be disregarded. Illegible and incomplete entries are void. Sponsor is not responsible for interrupted, distorted, or incorrect broadcast

information; lost, late, misdirected entries; or entries not received for any reason. If there is a dispute over who submitted an entry, the entry will be deemed to have been submitted by the authorized account holder of the email account identified on the entry form. The authorized account holder of an email account is deemed to be the natural person who is assigned to an email address by an Internet access provider, service provider, or online organization responsible for assigning email addresses for the domain associated with the submitted email address. Received entries become the property of Sponsor and will not be returned.

**WINNER SELECTION:** Winners will be selected by a panel of 3 judges. Judges will rate contestant based on their opinion of the contestant's "Vocal Quality," "Stage Presence" and "Star Quality." Each category will be rated on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the best. Any contestant who receives a 10 rating in every category by every judge will receive a "Front of the Line" pass to audition for American Idol staff during the Bus Tour in Orlando on 8/17/17. Decisions of Sponsor are final on all matters.

**WINNER NOTIFICATION AND RELEASES:** Sponsor will notify winners immediately after their audition. If a potential winner: (a) is not in compliance with these Official Rules, (b) does not meet the eligibility requirements, (c) declines the prize, or (d) does not sign and return required documents or provide required identification by deadlines established by Sponsor, he or she will be disqualified. Each winner may be required, in Sponsor's sole discretion, to complete and return an Affidavit of Eligibility & Liability/Publicity Release and a scan or photo of legal ID and also to have any companion(s) who will participate in the prize activities, if applicable, return the same documentation before claiming the prize or being allowed to participate in any prize activities. If any of the potential winner or the companion(s), if applicable, is under the age of majority in his or her state of residence, then the parent or legal guardian of the minor potential winner or companion(s) must sign and return all required forms.

**PRIZES:** Judges will decide if a contestant will receive a "Front of the Line" pass that allows the contestant to perform in front of the American Idol staff during the Bus Tour in Orlando on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Contestants are responsible for their own transportation. Prizes consist of only those items specifically listed as part of the prize. Sponsor reserves the right to substitute any prize with prize of equal or greater value in its sole discretion. No substitution or transfer/assignment of prize by winners permitted.

Federal, state, and local taxes on prizes, if any, and any other costs, fees and expenses not listed above as specifically included as part of the prize are the sole responsibility of winner. An IRS form 1099 and other tax-related forms and documents may be issued by Sponsor if required by law.

**PUBLICITY AND MARKETING:** Submission of an entry in the Contest constitutes permission to the Sponsor to use contestant's name, identity, title, likeness, distinctive appearance, physical likeness, image, portrait, picture, photograph (whether still or moving), screen persona, voice, vocal style, statements, gesture, mannerism, personality, performance characteristic, biographical data, signature, social media handles and identities, and any other indicia or imitation of identity or likeness for purposes of advertising and trade, in any medium, without further notice, approval, or compensation, unless prohibited by law.

**LIABILITY RELEASE & INDEMNIFICATION:** By entering this Contest, contestants agree to release, discharge and hold harmless Sponsor, Sponsor Affiliates and their respective parents, affiliates, and subsidiaries and all of their directors, officers, employees, agents and assigns (the "Released Parties") from any claims, losses, and damages arising out of, or relating to, contestant's participation in this Contest or any Contest-related activities (including, without limitation, any event attended as part of a prize) and the acceptance and use, misuse, or possession of any prize awarded hereunder (including, without limitation, any misrepresentation made by the contestant in connection with the Contest; any non-compliance by the contestant with these Official Rules; claims brought by persons or entities other than the parties to these Official Rules arising from or related to the contestant's involvement with the Contest; acceptance, possession, misuse or use of any prize or participation in any Contest-related activity or participation in this Contest; any malfunction, error or other problem arising in connection with the collection, processing, or retention of entry information; or any typographical or other error in the printing, offering or announcement of any prize or winner). The foregoing includes, without limitation, any claim for personal injury, property loss or damage, or death arising in any way in connection with the Contest.

**OTHER TERMS:** Sponsor not responsible for any typographical or other error in the printing, the offering or the announcement of any prize or in the administration of the Contest, whether caused by computer, technical or human error. Sponsor is not responsible for late, lost, damaged, incomplete, illegible, faulty, or incorrect transmissions, incorrect announcements of any kind, technical hardware or software failures of any kind, any damage to any person's computer related to or resulting from participating in the online portion of the promotion, lost or unavailable network connections, or failed, incomplete, garbled or delayed computer transmission that may limit a user's ability to participate in the Contest whether caused by computer, technical or human error. Sponsor reserves the right to terminate or modify the Contest or any portion of it for any reason, including but not limited to, if fraud, misconduct or technical failures destroy the integrity of the Contest; or

if a computer virus, bug, wireless failure, or other technical problem corrupts the administration, security, or proper administration of the Contest as determined by Sponsor, in its sole discretion. If Sponsor terminates the Contest, Sponsor will determine the winner(s) by applying the criteria set forth above to all eligible, non-suspect entries received as of the termination date and will post notice of its action on the Contest website. Sponsor reserves the right to disqualify, freeze or prohibit the participation of an individual if fraud or tampering is suspected, or if the individual fails to comply with any requirement of participation or with any provision in these Official Rules. Sponsor reserves the right to disqualify any individual from further participation in the Contest if Sponsor concludes, in its sole discretion, that such person: (a) has attempted to tamper with the entry process or other operation of the Contest; (b) has disregarded or has attempted to circumvent these Official Rules; (c) has committed fraud or attempted to undermine the legitimate operation of the Contest; or (d) has acted toward Sponsor, any Sponsor Affiliates, or any other contestant in an unfair, inequitable, annoying, threatening, disrupting or harassing manner. If a dispute arises regarding compliance with these Official Rules, Sponsor may consider, in its sole discretion, data reasonably available to Sponsor through information technology systems in Sponsor's control, but Sponsor will not be obligated to consider any data or other information collected from any other source. Any attempt to undermine the operation of this Contest may be a violation of criminal and civil laws. Sponsor reserves the right to disqualify and/or seek damages from any individual making any such attempts to the full extent permitted by law. Any failure by Sponsor to enforce any of these Official Rules will not constitute a waiver of such Official Rules. If there is a conflict between any term of the Official Rules and any marketing or entry materials used in connection with the Contest, the terms of these Official Rules will govern.

**GOVERNING LAW & JURISDICTION:** EXCEPT WHERE PROHIBITED, CONTESTANTS AGREE THAT ANY AND ALL DISPUTES, CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION ARISING OUT OF OR CONNECTED WITH THIS CONTEST, OR PRIZE AWARDED, WILL BE RESOLVED INDIVIDUALLY WITHOUT RESORT TO ANY FORM OF CLASS ACTION, AND ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, JUDGMENTS AND AWARDS WILL BE LIMITED TO ACTUAL OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS INCURRED BY CONTESTANT WITH REGARD TO THIS CONTEST, BUT IN NO EVENT ATTORNEYS' FEES, PUNITIVE, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR OTHER DAMAGES. All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Official Rules, or the rights and obligations of contestants and Sponsor in connection with the Contest will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules or provisions (whether of Ohio or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than Ohio. The state and federal courts located in Hamilton County, Ohio will be the exclusive forum for any dispute relating to these Official Rules and/or this Contest. All participants and winners agree, by their participation in the Contest, to submit to the personal jurisdiction of the state and federal courts in Hamilton County, Ohio and waive the right to contest jurisdiction.

**SEVERABILITY:** If any provision(s) of these Official Rules are held to be invalid or unenforceable, all remaining provisions hereof will remain in full force and effect.

**WINNERS LIST:** For the winner name(s), available after 8/15/17, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: WFTS Tampa Bay Idol, 4045 N Himes Ave, Tampa, FL 33607 to be received by 8/21/17

**SPONSORS:** Scripps Media, Inc. d/b/a WFTS, 4045 N Himes Ave, Tampa, FL 33607

I agree to the terms of these Official Rules and that I meet all the eligibility requirements as outlined on this form:

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address Telephone Number

If under 18, I acknowledge that I am the parent/guardian of the minor whose signature appears above and do hereby consent and agree to the terms and provisions of this Release, Consent, and Agreement.

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Guardian Signature

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Date