

TEXAS STATE GERMAN CONTEST

**Doll Costume
Critique Sheet**

Contestant(s): _____

School: _____

Judges' Names: _____

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

Entry Limit: Two dolls per school: may be an individual or group project – Dolls must be submitted by 2 separate contestants or groups of contestants

Doll Size Limits: 12 inches – 36 inches tall; Barbie-doll-size costumes are unacceptable.

Spending Limit: \$45.00 max. (Items used from home must be accounted for, given a monetary value, and included with receipts.)

The costume may be representative of traditions in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, or Liechtenstein but must be a student-made folk costume for a doll. The doll itself may be hand-made or store bought. Contestant(s) must include a backdrop, which contains information about the costume and the place it represents. Documentation should include appropriate citation of sources. Receipts for expenses must also be included in the documentation. Each entry should have a card with the name(s) of the contestant(s), the school, the city, and the category "Doll Costume" on it.

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING

1. **Workmanship:** The costume is well-made and fits the doll appropriately. Complexity of the design should also be considered. (0-20 points)
2. **Authenticity:** The costume has a traditional German/Austrian/Swiss/Liechtensteiner flavor. It is evident that the costume has been well researched and includes as many authentic elements as possible. (0-20 points)
3. **Detail:** The costume includes re-creation of details, which may include specific embellishments or stitch patterns, etc. The details are interesting and intricate. (0-20 points)
4. **Design and Presentation:** The color schemes, the hat or headwear, shoes, and accessories go well together. The backdrop complements the doll and includes all required documentation listed above. (0-20 points)
5. **Overall Impression:** The doll costume makes you feel as if you are seeing the real thing. A museum could use the costume as part of an exhibit. (0-20 points)

TOTAL POINTS: (100 possible) _____**MORE COMMENTS TO HELP THE CONTESTANTS (Write on the back if necessary.)**