**FEDERACIÓN DE LOS CÍRCULOS DE ESPAÑOL DE ALABAMA**

**REGIONAL COSTUME CONTEST**

 **TWO TOTAL ENTRIES PER SCHOOL - INDIVIDUAL AND/OR GROUP**

**SPONSORS, PLEASE ADHERE TO THE GUIDELINES!**

1. Each school may enter homemade or purchased costumes.
2. **Homemade**: refers to any costume that has been made from scratch.  Work done by a paid seamstress will be acceptable for homemade. Purchased accessories such as hat, shoes, belt, and jewelry is also acceptable for this category. The  judges have the option to award more points if the costume is homemade by the student.
3. **Purchased**: refers to any costume bought from a licensed business or ordered from a catalog company.
4. Homemade and purchased costumes will be judged separately.
5. **Costumes used in the skits may be entered provided they represent authentic regional clothing**
6. Criteria for judging:

**a.**Authenticity; pertinence to theme country/countries
**b.**Attractiveness
**c.**Modeling poise
**d.**Presentation of costume in English

     **7**.   Individual entries will explain his/her own costume to the Judges.
     **8**.   Group entries: **ONLY one member of the group will explain, in English, the significance of**

 **the design.**
     **9**.    **The presentation of the costume must be completely from memory.  (The judges may ask**

 **questions to students about their costumes)**
**10**. **No costume may be entered in the contest again by the same school within a 6 years.**

 **Small changes and details do not constitute a new costume.**
     **11**.**Students entering the Costume Contest report directly to the Ferguson Forum on the**

 **second floor of the Ferguson Center to register.**

**TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED TO:**
**FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, AND FOURTH PLACES.**

**NOTE**: **Contests will take place as long as three or more schools register in any given contest.**

 **In the event that there are not enough registrations for the event to take place, the sponsor**

 **will be informed ASAP, and the students may  present the costume but will no**

 **be eligible for trophies.**