

2026 DPA Annual Piano Competition

April 11, 2026

The Denison Performing Arts Annual Piano Competition is an adjudicated competition open to piano students enrolled in Kindergarten through 12th grade. This competition is part of the DPA's mission to aid and encourage education and high artistic standards.

Date: April 11, 2026

Time: The competition begins at 9:00 a.m.

Location: Grayson College
Arts and Communication Building
6101 Grayson Drive (Hwy 691)
Denison, Texas 75020

Registration: Please fill out an application and judge's comment sheet for each of your students and return it to the DPA with the entry fee by March 23, 2026. Once your application is received you will be sent the times that your students will be competing via email, so please provide an email address with your application.

Awards: Trophies and gift cards are awarded to first, second, and third place in each division. The first-place winners will perform at the award ceremony.

Rules:

1. Students enter according to their school grade. Grades may be grouped or left as a single category according to the number of entries.
2. Students must be a resident of Grayson, Fannin, Bryan, or Atoka Counties.
3. Students are to perform one piece; a selection which will be determined by the teacher. A **five minute** limit on Elementary and Intermediate divisions and a **ten minute** limit on the Preparatory division.
4. Performance must be by memory. A copy of the music will be given to the judge at the time of playing.
5. Performance time and room assignment will be given after the registration deadline (March 23rd).

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

6. A practice room will be provided for each division for a five-minute warm-up, but the student will need to arrive at the check-in table 15 minutes before their assigned time to compete. The student may be accompanied by their teacher in the practice room.
7. **ONLY COMPETITORS WILL BE ALLOWED BEYOND THE PRACTICE ROOMS.**
Students unable to be compete unaccompanied will forfeit their eligibility in the contest.
8. Students arriving after their scheduled performance time may forfeit their eligibility in the contest.

Competition Divisions (*tentative – based on registrations*):

Elementary:	Kindergarten – 2 nd grade 3 rd grade – 4 th grade
Intermediate:	5 th grade – 6 th grade 7 th grade – 8 th grade
Preparatory:	9 th grade – 10 th grade 11 th grade – 12 th grade

Registration Fee: \$25.00 fee per student. Fee must accompany the entry registration.

Online registration and payment information is available on our website
www.denisonperformingarts.com under the “Piano Competition” tab.

Mail Paper Entries to:

DPA Piano Competition 2026
P.O. Box 1035
Denison, Texas 75021

Deadline to Register: March 23, 2026