

Cosplay Contest Rules

1. All attendees, including contestants, must abide by all rules, guidelines, and policies including General Guidelines, Weapons Policy and Props Guidelines, Cosplay Contest Rules, and the Library's Code of Conduct.
2. Costumes from all genres of fandom are acceptable. Purchased, professionally made, or rented cosplays are prohibited for Teens and Adults. Such items are permitted for Children.
3. Each contestant may only enter one (1) costume into the competition.
4. No glitter, confetti, pyrotechnics, live flame, smoke generators, or noisemakers of any kind are allowed in the Anderson County Library.
5. As a courtesy to other library patrons, please have any makeup or costuming done before the event.
6. All participants will be required to sign up to participate in the contest. Signups will continue until 2:00 or until all spots are filled, contest will begin at 2:15.
7. The contest will take place at 2:15 on the stage. All Cosplay contestants MUST be registered, checked in with their identifying number, and present at judging to be considered for prizes.
8. Minors under 18 years of age may participate in the Cosplay Contest if the signup form is signed by the minor's legal guardian.
9. Cosplays will be judged on a variety of criteria, including craftsmanship and overall effect.
10. Contestants will be grouped by category. They will walk across the stage and may strike a pose in front of the judges before walking off. There will be no character monologues or scenes, and contestants will have no access to the sound system for voiceovers or music. However, this will be an opportune time for photographs.
11. Vendors, Speakers, their guests, volunteers, and ACLS staff may participate in the Cosplay Contest, but will not be eligible to win prizes.
12. The decision of the judges is final.
13. You must be present to win prizes.
14. Parents/legal guardians are required to accompany children 11 years and younger during Cosplay Contest & Mini FanFest event.
15. Library staff or the Anderson County Sheriff's Office have the right to modify these rules on the spot to protect attendees, library patrons, and the safety of the event. Noncompliance with any rules will result in expulsion from the event.