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Two of the three entries from the Imperial/Grant local Lions talent contest who competed Sunday in Hyannis at districts won their divisions.

Morayah Cupp, who sang the solo "Make It In America," took first in the age 9-11 division, while a quintet of female vocalists from Grant who sang "Titanium" won the age 12-18 group division.

Members of the quintet were Katie Patrick, Peyton Woodmancy, Kyla Wykert, Hailey Snyder and Taylor Williams.



Cupp's division drew five total entries, while there were two in the age 12-18 group division. Medals were presented to winners in each division.

By placing first at districts, Cupp and the quintet have now qualified for the state contest May 31 in Norfolk held as part of the Nebraska Lions state convention.

In all, there were 22 entries involving 33 contestants at the district contest Sunday, who advanced from seven local contests held in Lions District L. Besides Imperial/Grant, other local contests sending youths to districts were held in Alliance, Bridgeport, Chadron, Eustis, Hyannis and Wallace.

Contestants were rated by a panel of three judges on degree of talent (30 points), perfection of performance (20) and audience appeal (10).

Each performance is limited to four minutes, with points deducted for each 10 seconds over the time limit.

All youths taking part in districts were given T-shirts, and they and their families were treated to a free lunch by the Hyannis Lions Club.

The Imperial and Grant Lions Clubs hosted the local talent contest in Imperial on Sunday, April 21.