2024 Chicago Bears National Anthem Contest

OFFICIAL RULES

NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN A PRIZE. A PURCHASE WILL NOT INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING.

- 1. HOW TO ENTER: The entry period for the 2024 Chicago Bears National Anthem Contest (the "Contest") starts Monday, September 9, 2024 at 10:00 AM Central Time ("CT") and ends on Monday, September 23, 2024 at 12:00 PM CT ("Entry Period"). You may enter the Contest during the Entry Period by completing the entry form available at: https://www.chicagobears.com/anthemcontest ("Entry Form") and upload a two (2) minute or shorter video of you singing the National Anthem (each a "Video Submission" and collectively referred to as "Video Submissions"). Video Submissions must follow these quidelines:
 - A. Please speak in a loud, clear voice;
 - B. Avoid recording in a space with background noise;
 - C. Please include your first name, last name, current age, and location;
 - D. Please use a horizontal/landscape setting to record; and,
 - E. Entrants are encouraged to show their Chicago Bears pride.

CONSENT OF PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN: Any Entrants under the age of 18 ("Minor" or "Minors") must follow the instructions to provide his/her parent's or legal guardian's complete name, valid email address, and phone number.

Limit one (1) entry per person (each and "Entrant" and collectively referred to as "Entrants").

- **2. ELIGIBILITY:** The Contest is open to all legal residents of Illinois ages 13 years and over as of September 9, 2024. If you are a Minor, you must have the permission and consent of your parent/legal guardian to participate and claim Prize (as described below) in this Contest. Employees, officers, directors, agents, and representatives of The Chicago Bears Football Club, Inc. ("Sponsor" or "Chicago Bears"), and their immediate family members (mother, father, sister, brother, husband, wife, daughter, son, step-father, step-mother, step-daughter, step-son, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister) and/or those living in the same household of each are not eligible. All federal, state and local laws and regulations apply. Void where prohibited by law.
- **3. PRIZES:** Sponsor, in its sole and absolute discretion, will select Ten (10) Entrants as "Finalists" to audition in person at Halas Hall, 1920 Football Drive, Lake Forest, IL 60045 and must be available the week of November 18, 2024 for approximately one (1) hour, at a time to be determined, to audition ("Audition"). Each Finalist will be notified by October 21, 2024 that they have moved on to the final Audition, and each Finalist will have to confirm via email their Audition date by October 25, 2024.

On December 2, 2024 one (1) grand prize winner ("Grand Prize Winner") will be selected from the Finalists to receive the following grand prize (collectively, referred to as "Grand Prize"):

- (a) Four (4) tickets to the Chicago Bears vs. Detroit Lions game on December 22, 2024 ("Game");
- (b) Grand Prize Winner will receive one (1) Chicago Bears jersey:
- (b) One (1) parking pass to the Game; and,
- (c) Sing the National Anthem before Game kick-off.

Grand Prize winner must be available three (3) hours prior to Game for dress rehearsal. The approximate retail value of the Grand Prize is \$537.

The nine (9) remaining Finalists will be "Runners-Up" (each a "Runner-Up Winner") and will receive the following "Runners-Up Prize": one (1) Chicago Bears t-shirt. The approximate retail value of the Runners-Up Prize is \$30.

Grand Prize and Runners-Up Prize is collectively referred to as "Prize". Grand Prize Winner and Runners-Up Winners are collectively referred to as "Prize Winners".

Sponsor reserves the right to substitute the Prize with another of equal value should any unforeseen circumstances occur. If the Grand Prize Winner is unable to perform at the Game, the Grand Prize Winner will forfeit the entire Grand Prize. All decisions of Sponsor are final. All state, federal, and local taxes or other expenses not specified herein are the sole responsibility of the Grand Prize Winner or Grand Prize Winner's parent or legal guardian. No Prize substitutions or cash redemption will be made except in Sponsor's sole discretion. Grand Prize is non-transferable.

- 4. SELECTION OF WINNER: Sponsor will select one (1) Grand Prize Winner from among the eligible entries received and after the Auditions are completed. Entries will be judged based on (i) stage presence/performance, (ii) vocal quality, and (iii) preparation. Sponsor will select the Grand Prize Winner based on the judgement criteria and its sole discretion. Sponsor will notify the Grand Prize Winner or Grand Prize Winner's parent or legal guardian of the Grand Prize, using the email address or phone number provided by the Grand Prize Winner or Grand Prize Winner's parent or legal guardian on the Entry Form. The unavailability of the Prize Winner's parent or legal guardian to be reached after a reasonable effort has been made may constitute forfeiture of the Grand Prize, as determined solely by Sponsor, and a new Grand Prize Winner may be selected by Sponsor.
- **5. AGREEMENT TO OFFICIAL RULES**: By participating in the Contest, each Entrant accepts and agrees to comply with and abide by these Official Rules and the decisions of the Sponsor, which shall be final and binding in all respect. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between these Official Rules and any advertisement, promotional or marketing materials, or other announcements relating to the Contest, these Official Rules govern. Sponsor reserves the right to cancel or modify the Contest at any time. Sponsor may amend these Official Rules by posting such amended Official Rules on www.chicagobears.com.
- 6. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY/DISCLAIMERS: BY ENTERING THIS CONTEST OR BY ENTERING YOUR CHILD OR LEGAL WARD INTO CONTEST. EACH ENTRANT AGREES ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF/HERSELF AND HIS/HER CHILD, IF APPLICABLE, TO FOREVER WAIVE, RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE SPONSOR, THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE, AS WELL AS EACH RESPECTIVE PARTY'S OWNERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, ATTORNEYS, DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, SHAREHOLDERS, CONTRACTORS, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS AND INSURERS (COLLECTIVELY "RELEASED PARTIES") FOR AND FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, DEBTS, LIABILITIES, DEMANDS, OBLIGATIONS, COSTS, FEES, EXPENSES, ACTIONS, CAUSES OF ACTION WHATSOEVER, OF EVERY NATURE, CHARACTER AND DESCRIPTION (COLLECTIVE, "CLAIMS"), KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ALL THOSE ARISING OUT OF OR IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THE CONTEST: THESE OFFICIAL RULES; ENTRANT'S ENTRY; THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY OF THE RELEASED PARTIES; THE ACCEPTANCE, POSSESSION, MISUSE OR USE OF ANY PRIZE: AND ANY PARTICIPATION IN THE CONTEST. IN ADDITION, EACH ENTRANT ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT THE RELEASED PARTIES ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY COSTS, INJURIES, LOSSES, OR DAMAGES OF ANY KIND ARISING FROM OR IN CONNECTION WITH: (I) INCOMPLETE, LOST, LATE, MISDIRECTED OR ILLEGIBLE ENTRIES OR FOR FAILURE TO RECEIVE ENTRIES DUE TO ANY CAUSE, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, HUMAN, TRANSMISSION, OR TECHNICAL PROBLEMS, FAILURES, OR MALFUNCTIONS OF ANY KIND, WHETHER ORIGINATING WITH ENTRANT OR OTHERWISE, THAT MAY LIMIT AN ENTRANT'S ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONTEST; OR (II) ANY INJURY OR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE CONTEST AND/OR THE USE OR MISUSE OF ANY PRIZE (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, CLAIMS, COSTS, INJURIES, LOSSES AND DAMAGES RELATED TO PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, DAMAGE TO, LOSS OR DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY, OR ANY CLAIMS, COSTS, INJURIES, LOSSES, OR DAMAGES RELATED TO OR BASED ON THE ENTRANT'S RIGHTS OF PUBLICITY OR PRIVACY, OR THE ENTRANT'S CLAIM THAT HE OR SHE HAS SOMEHOW BEEN DEFAMED OR PORTRAYED IN A FALSE LIGHT.)

BY SUBMITTING AN ENTRY, ENTRANT REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS THAT HE OR SHE OWNS AND/OR HAS THE AUTHORITY TO RELEASE THE CLAIMS STATED HEREIN. FURTHER, BY SUBMITTING AN ENTRY OR ACCEPTING ANY PRIZE, ALL ENTRANTS AND WINNERS EXPRESSLY AGREE TO AT ALL TIMES DEFEND, HOLD HARMLESS, AND INDEMNIFY THE RELEASED PARTIES FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS OF ANY KIND OR NATURE WHATSOEVER (INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS) ARISING OUT OF OR IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THE CONTEST; THESE OFFICIAL RULES; ENTRANT'S ENTRY; THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY OF THE RELEASED PARTIES; THE ACCEPTANCE, POSSESSION, MISUSE OR USE OF ANY PRIZE; AND ANY PARTICIPATION IN THE CONTEST.

THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE, ITS MEMBER PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL CLUBS, NFL VENTURES, L.P., NFL PROPERTIES LLC, NFL ENTERPRISES LLC, NFL PRODUCTIONS LLC AND NFL INTERNATIONAL LLC AND EACH OF THEIR RESPECTIVE SUBSIDIARIES, AFFILIATES, SHAREHOLDERS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES AND EMPLOYEES (COLLECTIVELY, THE "NFL ENTITIES") WILL HAVE NO LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY CLAIM ARISING IN CONNECTION WITH PARTICIPATION IN THIS CONTEST OR ANY PRIZE AWARDED. THE NFL ENTITIES, OTHER THAN THE CHICAGO BEARS FOOTBALL CLUB, INC., HAVE NOT OFFERED OR SPONSORED THIS CONTEST IN ANY WAY.

- **7. PUBLICITY RELEASE:** By participating in the Contest, each Entrant irrevocably grants the Released Parties the right to use each such Entrant and/or his or her child's name (in the event that the child is the Entrant), photograph, image, video, biographical information, in any and all media for any purpose, including, without limitation, advertising and promotional purposes and each Entrant hereby releases the Released Parties from any liability with respect thereto, except where prohibited. Entrance into the Contest constitutes assent to these written terms.
- **8. ADDITIONAL DISCLAIMERS:** The Released Parties are not responsible and/or liable for: any lost, late, incomplete, illegible, mutilated, misdirected, or postage-due mail; technical or mechanical malfunctions; or errors in these Official Rules or in any Contest-related advertisements or other materials, whether caused by the Released Parties, the entrant, or any of the equipment associated with or utilized in this Contest or by any human error which may occur in the processing of the entries in this Contest and which may limit a participant's ability to participate in this Contest. Sponsor reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to void entries of any Entrants who Sponsor believes have attempted to tamper with or impair the administration, security, fairness or proper play of this Contest.

If the Contest is not capable of running as planned for any reason, including, without limitation, because of a printing error, human error, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failure or other cause which corrupt or threaten to corrupt or adversely affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of the Contest, Sponsor reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel, modify or suspend the Contest, including awarding the Prizes from among eligible entries received prior to the date of the cancellation, modification or suspension. All participants, as a condition of entry, agree to abide by and be bound by these Official Rules and the decisions of Sponsor. Failure to comply with these Official Rules may result in disqualification from this Contest. Sponsor reserves the right to permanently disqualify any entry that it believes violates these Official Rules. Participants further agree to not knowingly damage or cause interruption of the Contest and/or prevent others from using the Contest. Any person who supplies false information, obtains entries by fraudulent means, or is otherwise determined to be in violation of these official rules in an attempt to obtain any prize will forfeit any prize won and may be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

9. GOVERNING LAW: ALL ISSUES AND QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE CONSTRUCTION, VALIDITY, INTERPRETATION AND ENFORCEABILITY OF THESE OFFICIAL RULES OR THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE ENTRANTS, SPONSOR OR RELEASED PARTIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONTEST SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE

STATE OF ILLINOIS WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO ANY CHOICE OF LAW OR CONFLICT OF LAW RULES OR PROVISIONS THAT WOULD CAUSE THE APPLICATION OF ANY OTHER STATE'S LAWS.

- **10. WINNERS LIST**: For the names of winners, available after December 2, 2024, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Chicago Bears, 2024 National Anthem Contest Winners List, Halas Hall, 1920 Football Drive, Lake Forest, IL 60045, to be received by December 31, 2024.
- 11. ENTRANTS' PRIVACY: Any personally identifiable information collected in connection with an entrant's participation in this Contest will be used by Sponsor, its respective affiliates, and agents only for purposes of the proper administration and fulfillment of the Contest, as described in these Official Rules, and in any manner consistent with Sponsor's respective Privacy Policy, available at https://www.chicagobears.com/about/privacy-policy. All Video Submissions will be deleted after the December 22, 2024.
- **12. OFFICIAL RULES:** For a copy of these Official Rules visit https://www.chicagobears.com/anthemcontest or send a separate, self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Chicago Bears, 2023 National Anthem Contest Official Rules, 1920 Football Drive, Lake Forest, IL 60045. Requests must be received by October 24, 2024.
- **13. SPONSOR:** The Chicago Bears Football Club, Inc., 1920 Football Drive, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045.