

Judging Results for Valley Middle School 2024 STN Challenges

Middle School Feature Story

0046-CH2415M-01 - Valley Middle School



What you did well:

The editing was good and the story flowed. It was well written and the message was inspiring. Great camera shots and nice variety of soundbites.

What you can improve on:

During the soundbites, there was some ambient background noise. You can clean up the track using noise reduction.

Middle School News Story

0046-CH2416M-01 - Valley Middle School



What you did well:

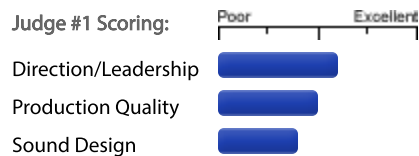
She seems like a very engaging teacher.

What you can improve on:

Your story was visually weak. No kids doing anything in her class. The graphic near the end needed to be closer so the viewer could easily read it. And the jump cut at :46 seconds was bad. Also there were not sequences (wide/medium/tight) and really no tight shots. There was no nat sound because there were no humans doing things in class.

Middle School Short Film

0046-CH2418M-01 - Valley Middle School



What you did well:

Interesting story, I like the team of scavengers set up. Nice scenery and locations for your shoot. Nice selection of background music and good job using it to build tension.

What you can improve on:



We have a mystery to solve, but what is it? Is it the necklace or the missing friend? I would suggest you choose one and keep the story a little smaller. I would recommend one more pass on your edit to eliminate some of the jump cuts and even out the sound and pacing. You have an excellent start on a very interesting story here - I know it's sometimes awkward being on camera, but try to get takes that eliminate actors laughing as they perform unless it's part of the story.

Middle School Commercial

0046-CH2419M-01 - Valley Middle School



What you did well:

Clever showing the fight early and referencing it at the end. That was some serious "fizz" when he opening the can. :)

What you can improve on:

Watch the audio level when the girl SCREAMS. Lost of continuity when the girls let the can fly, then the next show they are side by side.

Middle School PSA

0046-CH2420M-01 - Valley Middle School



What you did well:

Really like the idea of two friends having a conversation. Nice tag line!

What you can improve on:

Adding in some music. The script felt a little rushed. Would have liked to see some variety in the shot instead of it just being the same the whole PSA.

Middle School NAT Package

0046-CH2423M-01 - Valley Middle School



What you did well:

It was creative to use the classroom chatter as your nat sound for this piece!

What you can improve on:

I would advise adding a few wide, medium, tight sequences to add interest to your b-roll.

Middle School Music Video

0046-CH2424M-01 - Valley Middle School



What you did well:

This did have multiple angles, and many different location choices. I enjoyed the outside location and the framing choice that you used there. Great Attempt!
Keep getting Better!

What you can improve on:

Make sure and concentrate on storytelling. A good story should have a beginning, middle, and end. I think this had a beginning (dog shows up) then it was just... dog is here. Don't be afraid to show faces.