



2025 Manatee County Fair Baby Pageant

Sponsored by the Manatee River Fair Association
SCHEDULE AND RULES



ALL contests are at the Manatee County Fairgrounds, **enter through FRONT GATE 3** on 17th Street to receive directions to the pageant area. Contestant and one adult admitted with pageant entry. All others must pay gate admission.

HOW TO ENTER:

Complete Entry Form and Pay online-

<https://www.manateecountyfair.com/p/getconnected/manatee-river-pageants/manatee-county-fair-baby-pageant>

DEADLINE TO ENTER – 5:00 p.m. Thursday, January 16, 2025.

NO REGISTRATIONS OR CHAGES WILL BE ACCEPTED THE DAY OF THE PAGEANT.

Check in for each age group begins 30 minutes before your pageant is scheduled to begin.

All ages as of pageant date. Pageant Co-Directors have the right to verify age.

DAY OF THE PAGEANT SCHEDULE:

Age Divisions:		Check in Time	Pageant Time
4 to 6 years		11:30 am	12:00 pm
2 to 3 years	(24 to 47 months)	12:30 pm	1:00 pm
1 - 2 yrs old	(12 to 24 months)	1:30 pm	2:00 pm
0 to 1 year	(1 week to 12 months)	2:30 pm	3:00 pm

Each child will go on stage with one adult (parent/guardian) and come to the center of the stage. At this time, your child should smile, be cute, show personality, charm the judges, etc. **PARENTS:** Please do not stand behind the judge's table.

JUDGING: Judging is based on looks, overall appearance and personality. All announced decisions are final. Judges' documents are destroyed after the pageant. Scores and feedback are not given.

BABY ATTIRE: short or long dresses

PARENT ATTIRE: Please wear something that looks appropriate and covers your body - slacks and long sleeve shirt, pantsuit etc. Preferably black. The judges are trying to look at the contestants, NOT the parents. (NO short skirts or shorts, midriiffs or low-cut blouses).

PRIZES

Overall Winners: (Total of all Categories) - Winners in each age division will receive a **\$50 check, crown, trophy, one day free admission to the 2025 Fair, for the winner and 2 adults, and a stuffed animal.**

Runners-up to the Overall Winner in each age division will win a trophy.

Top Scoring Beauty Winners in each age division will win a crown and a trophy.

Top Scoring in each category for Photogenic, Prettiest Attire, Hair, Eyes & Smile will win a trophy.