

### Welcome to the Boulder County Fair Royalty Pageant Lady-In-Waiting Application

Thank you for your interest in the Boulder County Fair Royalty Program. Selection of this year's royalty will be conducted in the day contest. It will be on Monday, July 17, 2023

Coronation will be held at the Queen's Ball on August 1, 2023

The Purpose of the Boulder County Fair Royalty Contest is to determine the official Royalty Court who will spend their year representing the Boulder County Fair, Livestock Show and Rodeo. Members of the Royalty Court serve as ambassadors of the Boulder County Fair to the general public and are expected to exhibit exemplary sportsmanship and high morals and ethical standards at all times. They should be able to speak intelligently, demonstrate poise and grace, and display a welcoming attitude toward others.

The Royalty Court should be familiar with our county's diverse nature with its numerous cultures, our agricultural and technological industries, and our western heritage. They should act, speak, and dress according to the prestige the title deserves.

Applicants for Lady-In-Waiting contestants must be female, at least 15 years old of the competing year, and not older than 18 as of December 31, of the current year, single (never married), without dependents, and not pregnant or become pregnant during their two-year reign. They must reside in Boulder County, or be a member of the Boulder County 4-H or FFA programs, or reside in Boulder Valley or St. Vrain Valley school district. A letter of petition for any eligibility requirement may be sent to the Boulder County Fair Royalty Committee for approval and are not subject to appeal.

Included in this application packet you will find:

- Biographical Information Form
  - Royalty Essay question
    - Biography
- Contestant information & signature page
- Contest Schedule (subject to change)
- Please include a recent headshot photograph (hard copy and electronic copy)

Completed applications are due June 26, 2023

Boulder County Fair Office, Attention: Royalty Committee, 9595 Nelson Rd. Longmont, CO 80501

Please submit one TYPED copy to the address above and an electronic copy to:

bouldercountyroyalty@gmail.com

As you are completing your application, if you or your parents have any questions, please feel free to contact The Boulder County Fair Royalty Committee at bouldercountyroyalty@gmail.com

We look forward to receiving your application.



# Boulder County Fair, Livestock Show, and Rodeo Royalty APPLICATION

Please **type** and complete both pages. Your application must fit on two pages.

| Name:                                 |                   |                                |              |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Mailing Address                       | City              | Zip                            |              |
| Contestant's Telephone                | Date of Birth _   |                                |              |
| Email Address                         |                   |                                |              |
| Parent's Names                        | Parent's Pho      | ne Number                      |              |
| Parent's Address                      |                   |                                |              |
| Parent's Email Address                |                   |                                |              |
| Family (Brothers and Sisters)         |                   |                                |              |
| Circle the social media platforms the | nat you currently | use: Facebook Twitter Insta    | igram Tiktok |
| Education (high school, college, e    | tc.) Scholastic F | Plans and Future Ambitions:    |              |
| Organizations and Clubs (include      | e the name of clu | ıb, chapters, and office held) |              |
| Experience with Rodeo, Horses, I      | Horse Shows, Bo   | oulder County Fair, Etc.       |              |
| Honors and Awards:                    |                   |                                |              |
| Hobbies:                              |                   |                                |              |

#### **Essay Question**

Please answer the following question in a short answer response: The Boulder County Fair Royalty Mission Statement says, "We will continually strive to improve our Royalty program."

Why do you Want to Become Boulder County Fair and Rodeo Lady-in-Waiting, and what would be your goals and objectives to improve the program during your reign as Lady-in-

Waiting and Queen?

250 words or less

#### **Biography**

Please include a short-typed biography that will be read during the modeling portion of the contest. (150 words or less)

# **Photograph**

Please include a recent headshot photograph (electronic and hard copy) in Western attire (western hat and longsleeve shirt)

**DEADLINE: June 26, 2023**No exceptions

SUBMIT THE FORM DIRECTLY TO:
Boulder County Fair Livestock Show and Rodeo
Attn: Royalty Committee
9595 Nelson Rd. Suite 200
Longmont, Colorado,80501

Electronic copy to: bouldercountyroyalty@gmail.com

(Please enter 2024 LIW Pageant contestant in the subject box)

# **Lady-in-Waiting Contest Information & Signature Page**

#### **General Information:**

The Boulder County Executive Royalty Committee will hold a judged contest to select a Lady-in-Waiting at its discretion in accordance with Boulder County Fair Royalty rules. The Executive Royalty Committee has authority over the royalty contest, contestants, crowned royalty, and others involved.

- Please read all paperwork thoroughly.
- Print all parts of the application materials.
- Please keep a copy of the royalty by-laws and handbook for your reference.

#### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- To qualify for Lady-in-Waiting, one must be 15 years of age by their Lady-in-Waiting reign and no older than 18, single (never married), be without dependents, and not be pregnant or become pregnant during their term.
- All Contestants must be a member of the Boulder County 4-H or FFA program, Reside in Boulder County, or the St. Vrain Valley School District.
- Contestants may not be a member of the Royalty Committee or previously served as Boulder County Fair, livestock show, and Rodeo Queen or Lady-in-Waiting.
- · Contestants must not have a criminal history.
- Contestants must have a high moral and ethical character.
- Queen and Lady-in-Waiting cannot hold another royalty title during their reign.

#### **Contest Rules and Proceedings**

The application must be completed and turned in to the Boulder County Fair Royalty Coordinator at bouldercountyroyalty@gmail.com and mailed to 9595 Nelson Rd, Suite 200, Longmont CO 80501 by June 26th of the competing year, with no exceptions.

The Royalty contest will be held Monday, July 17, 2023. Schedule to follow. (Schedule and days are tentative)

If there are not enough applicants, at least two, the Executive Royalty Committee will hold a contest with one girl competing and she will be judged. She must score a designated total score (80%) to win the title. If she does not score high enough then a new contest will be scheduled.

The Royalty for the following year will be introduced at the Boulder County Fair, Livestock Show's Rodeo. If there is no rodeo then an alternative location and date will be chosen by the Executive Royalty Committee.

The Queen and Lady-in-Waiting may be awarded a scholarship from the royalty committee scholarship fund. Funds will be awarded to the school of choice upon receiving appropriate information. The scholarship award will be sent directly to an accredited school or certificate program. Donations to the scholarship fund must be received by August 31st of the year of reign. Funds will be awarded in the name of the recipient and will be sent directly to the school. Scholarship winners will have 2 years from the date of graduation to use their funds. Unused scholarship money will be returned to the General Account.

The year reign begins on the 1st scheduled Boulder County Fair, Livestock Show, and Rodeo Royalty Committee meeting after the fair, which is held in August, the competing year, and continues until the Royalty committee meeting in August the following year. The previous royalty will not make appearances after the new royalty begins its reign.

Sarapes, chaps and any other equipment purchased by the Boulder County Fair, Livestock Show, and Rodeo or Executive Royalty Committee must be returned to the Boulder County Fair Office at the end of their reign, no later than the first Royalty committee meeting after the fair. If these items are missing or damaged, the original cost of the item will be charged to the person responsible.

A horse trailer is provided to the Queen and Lady-in-Waiting for their use during their reign. The trailer will be housed at the Boulder County fairgrounds during off months and must be checked out with the Royalty Coordinator in advance. Queen or Lady-in-Waiting must have a proper vehicle to pull the trailer safely as determined by the Executive Royalty Committee or Fair Board. All repairs will be the responsibility of the Fair Board. The insurance for the trailer is attached to the vehicle that is pulling it. Fair Board has insurance for the trailer when it is on the fairground's property.

It is the Queen's responsibility to make sure that the royalty trailer is clean before it is handed over to the Lady-in-Waiting. This includes removing and cleaning trailer mats, cleaning the inside of the trailer with mats removed, and cleaning and vacuuming the tack room.

The current Boulder County Queen and Lady-in-Waiting are expected to assist with the contests as directed by the contest coordinator.

Contestants will be judged and scored in the following categories:

- Application
- Appearance
- Personal Interview
- Current Events
- Horsemanship
- Horsemanship Knowledge
- Flag Run/Queen Run
- Written Test
- Speech Presentation (topic will be given upon acceptance of application)
- Modeling
- Knowledge of Boulder County Fair History, Fair Events, Colorado Professional Association, Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association

Lady-in-Waiting contestants must be able to ride and have access to a suitable horse for the pageant, rodeos, parades, and other events. Suitability will be determined at the pageant and is left to the discretion of the Executive Royalty Committee throughout the year.

**All contestants** are expected to comply with these guidelines, and always be friendly, courteous, and respectful at all times.

The 2024 Lady in Waiting will be required to attend the Queen for a day event that is held on Saturday, July 22, 2023. Please arrive at 8 am. The location will be announced. We would also like to have you on the Queen for a Day Float in the Fair Parade that is held on the first Saturday of the Fair.

Dress in western attire (western shirt, jeans, felt hat, and contestant sash) Lineup is in the Roosevelt RTD parking lot Northeast side of Roosevelt Park (8th and Coffman)

She will also be required to attend the sponsor visit with Greeley Hat Works on July 18, 2023, at 5 pm, along with our current royalty for an introduction, teaching, and hat sizing. (this is mandatory)

Contestants must know the basic rules and history of the Boulder County Fair, Livestock Show & Rodeo events. Contestants should be familiar with and be able to explain these topics and aspects to anyone attending the Boulder County Fair, Livestock Show & Rodeo.

During the contest, if a contestant needs assistance, she may ask permission from the judges to obtain parent/guardian help. If permission is granted, a parent/guardian may assist, otherwise, the parent/guardian is to remain in the stands as a spectator and away from the horse trailer during horsemanship.

Parents/guardians of contestants are responsible for the arrangement of horse and participant transportation. Constants must be on time and fully prepared to participate in the contest.

Abuse of horses or people is not tolerated. Any hitting or jerking on a horse during the contest will result in elimination. Inappropriate verbal abuse of anyone during the contest will also result in elimination.

Contestants and Parents/Guardians please take the time to read through the Boulder County Fair, Livestock Show, and Royalty Handbook. It has more information you will need if you win Lady-in-Waiting. It can be found on the Boulder County Fair Royalty page.

| Applicant Signature       | Date |
|---------------------------|------|
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|                           |      |
| Parent/Guardian Signature | Date |

# Boulder County Fair Lady-in-Waiting Pageant Monday, July 17, 2023 ALL TIMES TENTATIVE

9:00 am - Meet at Nelson Arena. Contestants will arrive and be briefed on the day's contest

#### 9:30 am - Public Introduction

- Contestants will introduce themselves. This introduction will include...
- o Name
- o Age
- o Fun fact about yourself

#### 10:00 am - Horsemanship

- Nelson Arena
- Horse must be on grounds before 9:00 am

## During Royalty Presentation - Horsemanship

- AQHA rules apply to the horsemanship portion of the contest.
- Contestants will bring their horses to the Nelson Arena on the day of the pageant.
- Contestants will be judged while tacking horses.
- Each contestant will individually perform a horsemanship pattern that will be given 10 minutes before start time.
- Each contestant will perform a flag lap and a queen's lap.
- Following the pattern, the judges will ask you questions. The current queen will set the pattern.
- Contestants will be required to wear a white or black button-up shirt, jeans, boots, and their contestant sashes for this portion of the contest.

Parents, please bring a chair and sit in the grass area near the arena. Please do not brush, saddle, etc. the horse.

**Lunch –** Lady-in-Waiting Luncheon following the completion of horsemanship

#### 1:00 pm - Written Test and Interview

- 1. Lady-In-Waiting contestants will participate in a written assessment of their understanding of horsemanship, basic knowledge of rodeo rules and terms, etiquette, and general knowledge about Colorado, Boulder County, and the Boulder County Fair.
- 2. Each contestant will also have an individual interview with the three Judges. They should be prepared to share information in the following areas:
- o Personal Background
- o Experience in 4-H, FFA, and involvement in agriculture and/or rodeo
- o Leadership roles in clubs and organizations
- o Academic interests and goals
- o Achievements, awards
- o Rodeo Knowledge

#### 1:15 pm - Modeling and Impromptu Questions

- 1. Lady-In-Waiting contestants will model while their bio is being read. Contestants will be judged on poise and flow of movement.
- 2. Contestants will answer three impromptu questions, one fair and rodeo question, one sponsor

question and one current event question.

# 2:30 pm - Speech

1. Lady-In-Waiting Contestants will prepare a two (2) -minute speech derived from the question "The contestants will be judged on poise, grammar, voice projection, and overall public speaking skills.

(Speech topic will be sent after the application deadline to all applicants)

The 2024 Lady-in-Waiting will be announced after all scores have been tallied.