

We welcome you to be a part of the **2023 Delta Fair Queen Pageant** during the Delta Fair on September 2nd. The competition will take place at the theater located inside the Agricenter. The application for the Delta Fair Pageants system that can be accessed and downloaded from this website (www.deltafest.com). Please note that there are two separate applications based on your age or the age of your child. Please take a moment to read the information and rules included in the application before filling it out.

There is a **\$50.00 entry fee** to compete in the Delta Fair Pageant system and is due with your application. Please note that we have lowered the entry fee cost as we are no longer offering free tickets or parking. Our lower price reflects the change.

Contestants, parents, other family members and friends will be required to purchase a ticket for entry into the fairgrounds.

Deadline for entries is Saturday, August 26, 2023. We must have your applications in hand or postmarked by this date. Please note that there are NO REFUNDS if you must drop out or do not show up for any reason.

All applications and check or money orders for entry fees should all be mailed to: Attn: Delta Fair Pageants

Delta Fest ***Checks should be made out to "Delta Agribusiness"**

P.O. Box 1327 with the check memo to include

Cordova, TN 38088 "Pageant Entry- _____" (your child's name)

Girls Age Divisions

0 to 12 months Baby Miss Delta Fair

13 of 23 months Wee Miss Delta Fair

2-4 years of age Tiny Miss Delta Fair

5-7 years of age Little Miss Delta Fair

8-9 years of age Young Miss Delta Fair

10-11 years of age Pre-Teen Miss Delta Fair

12-13 years of age Junior Miss Delta Fair

14-16 years of age Teen Miss Delta Fair

17-21 years of age Miss Delta Fair

and for those Tennessee residents who wish to move on to the state level

10-12 years of age Miss Pre Teen Deltafest

13-20 years of age Miss Deltafest Iris Teen

This is not a glitz pageant. Our judges will be skilled in the Miss Volunteer, America and USA systems, and will be looking for personality, poise, beauty, as well as overall impression. All girls will model in a "T" pattern with four "X"'s marked on the stage.

Remember poise and personality are very important in the judge's decision-making process. The winner of each division may not be the prettiest or the best at modeling on

stage that day, but may have the total package that the judges are looking for. Keep in mind that winners are chosen based on the decision of people asked to judge a pageant and does not mean that your daughter is not beautiful, graceful, or full of personality.

The Young, Pre-Teen, and Junior categories will be asked an age appropriate question on stage during modeling. Teen and Miss contestants will participate in a 4-minute interview before the pageant begins and will be asked two questions on stage, and these will be included in the judge's scores.

Delta Fair Pageants consist of several age brackets in order to award as many titles as possible. Every participant who competes in our pageant system will receive a trophy on stage. The winners in each age division will receive nice crowns, embroidered sashes and a trophy. Alternates receive crowns and trophies as well. Our goal is to do our best to make sure every girl competing on our stage feels special.

Our Teen and Miss Delta Fair division winners will serve as ambassadors to the Delta Fair and asked to participate in various events during next year's Delta Fair August 30th, thru September 8th, 2024. All winners will be invited to participate in Christmas parades representing Delta Fair and possibly attend other public appearances throughout the year.

Teen and Miss Contestants: Private Interviews will be held for the Teen and the Miss contestants before the park is open on Saturday the 2nd. Contestants should enter the "A" gate to park between 9:00 a.m. and 9:15 a.m. for check-in. The contestant will enter the side door of the theater for her interview and be given further instructions. The interviews will be 4 minutes in length with 30 seconds for a closing. All questions will relate to your application and information regarding the Delta Fair. Attire should be a business type interview dress or jumpsuit. The pageant for the Teen and Miss begins at later in the day. You will not be able to stay in the building after your interview but can return once the park is open. You are allowed to have a hair and makeup artist in the upstairs dressing rooms but not backstage. The afternoon's competition will consist of modeling and an onstage question in a cocktail dress of your choice and evening gown and onstage question in a long pageant or prom dress. So in all, you will need an interview dress, cocktail dress, and evening gown on Saturday.

Miss Pre Teen Deltafest and Miss Deltafest Iris Teen: Delta Fair is pleased to crown two young ladies that will be representing us at the Miss Tennessee Iris Teen and Pre Teen pageants in July of 2024. These state level pageants are part of the Miss Tennessee Volunteer system. We will pay entry fees for state, and you will be able to compete for both titles at the same time. The winner of the Delta Fair title may also be the winner of the Deltafest title if they qualify.

Attire: Girls up to 7 years of age should wear a Sunday dress, flower girl dress, or a simple pageant dress. The length of the dress is not regulated. Remember, these judges are not familiar with the “full or high glitz pageant wear” and it may be a little much for them. Rhinestones, sequins and pearls are acceptable on the dress, but it should not be over the top fully beaded. Many 8 to 13 year olds wear floor length pageant attire, but no points are counted off if you choose an alternate style. Please note that the judges are instructed to take into consideration the age appropriateness of the dresses, especially in the 10 to 16 year old categories. THIS IS A SUGGESTION ONLY AND NOT A REQUIREMENT IN YOUR DRESS CHOICE. JUDGES ARE ASKED TO NOT JUDGE A GIRL’S DRESS BUT TO CONSIDER HOW SHE SHINES ON STAGE IN HER SELECTION.

In the Teen and Miss divisions, an evening gown, long prom dress, or long pageant dress is appropriate. In these categories, you have the freedom to wear any style of evening gown you wish. For interview, you should wear a business dress, jumpsuit, or suit that shows your figure and personality. You will also need to bring a cocktail of your choice for opening and onstage interview.

Hair and Make-Up: For infants to 9 years of age, no hairpieces, flippers, or fake eyelashes allowed. Lip-gloss, light blush, and mascara are permitted for toddlers and above but definitely not required. For ages 10 to 13, the judges will be looking for age appropriate make-up. Young women competing for Teen and Miss divisions are free to look your best any way you choose.

Score Sheets: We will provide a contestant with their individual scores from each judge for a fee of \$5.00. Your scores and any comments from the judges will be mailed directly to the address provided by September 9th. We will be collecting this during registration on the day of competition.

Parking and Entrance on Saturday: Please note that car lines to enter the parking lot for the Delta Fair will be extremely long during peak times. Saturday is usually one of the busiest of Delta Fair so please allow time to wait in line to park, stand in line to enter, and prepare for your pageant. You must be on time for your pageant and we are not responsible if you are late to the theater and miss your age division’s competition. We will not refund application fees for any absences.

For Questions: Thank you for your interest in the Delta Fair Pageant system. We hope this will be a pleasurable experience for both you and your child. If there are any questions, please email Mandy Xa at mandy.wolf.xa@gmail.com

If you have any issues on the day of the pageant, feel free to call (901) 292-6915 or (901) 573-7882