

Fayette County Fair Junior Miss Pageant Contestant Questionnaire and Handbook 2022



June 15, 2022

Dear Contestant and Family,

Thank you for your interest in our first ever, **Fayette County Fair Junior Miss Pageant**. This is a great opportunity for the young ladies to meet new people in the community, increase your social skills and serve your county!

Please complete the questionnaire and provide a photo to be published in the local newspapers and our Facebook page as well as the Notice of Contestant Intent, Handbook Receipt and Rule Acknowledgement Form. These forms must be returned via email to FCFQUEENTX@GMAIL.COM no later than the deadline of FRIDAY, JULY 15, at 4:00 pm or before all 10 spots have been filled, whichever is sooner.

THE FAYETTE COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION WILL ACCEPT THE FIRST 10 CONTESTANTS THAT TURN IN THEIR COMPLETED APPLICATION AND PHOTO via email. Once the 10 spots for Jr Miss have been filled, recruitment will be CLOSED.

We will meet at the required contestant's meeting and carnival ticket kickoff event on Monday, July 25 at 6:00 pm to be held at Fayette County Fairground's Exhibit Hall!

If you have any questions or need any assistance, please do not hesitate in contacting Fair Pageant Chairperson, Shannon Hemmitt at 979/639-1776 via call or text.

Thank you so much for your interest and we look forward to turning 2022 into a great one!

2022 Fayette County Fair Jr Miss Contestant Rules

1. Contestant must reside in Fayette County, Texas, and must have been at birth, identified as female; and be classified as a 6th, 7th or 8th grader in a Fayette County School or be Home Schooled with Fayette County in the 2022/23 school year. Contestant, if chosen Jr Miss/member of court must remain enrolled as a student.
2. Contestant must in good standing within the community and school to promote a positive image, be in good health and have moral character.
3. Contestant must not engage in activities that if disclosed in public would result in bringing the contestant or Fair Association ridicule or embarrassment, including but not limited to inappropriate behavior on social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Snapchat, TikTok, etc.), any use of illegal drugs, alcohol, any illegal behavior or activity, professional or amateur nude or seminude dancing or modeling in any sexually oriented business or club, any type of nude or seminude photographs or video tapes, any convictions, deferred adjudication or probation.
4. The first 10 contestants completing their form, photo and consent will be accepted for the Jr Miss pageant. All forms and photo must be scanned and submitted electronically to email: fcfqueentx@gmail.com
5. Contestant must return **Completed Contestant Forms (2) and Photo** to be submitted to the newspapers no later than 4:00 pm on Friday, July 15, 2022 or prior to the first 10 spots being filled to be considered as a Jr Miss Contestant. If you are contestant number 11, you will be placed as an alternate if any situation should arise for the first 10 contestants prior to the July 21st announcement.
6. The Jr Miss title will be determined on the following judging criteria:
 - 40% carnival ticket sales (max of 40 points)
 - 20% pre-pageant interview (max of 20 points)
 - 20% on stage question (max of 20 points)
 - 20% pageant presentation (max of 20 points)PERFECT SCORE= 100

** In case of a tie, tie breaker will be determined/placed by number of carnival tickets sold

7. Carnival fun passes will be issued for sale price at \$70 and issued to contestants at the July 25, 2022 Contestant's meeting.

8. Carnival pass totals will be tallied by number of tickets sold (not \$\$ amount). Therefore, if you receive a donation, you can turn those into carnival passes and donate then to a youth organization. Please contact the committee if you need assistance with this.
9. Jr Miss will not compete against the queen candidates for top carnival ticket sales. These are two different contests with separate prizes.
10. Jr Miss Contestants may hang posters to advertisement the sale of Carnival Fun Passes but not required. Contestants are encouraged to put their parent/guardians phone number on publications to ensure safety of our contestants.
11. Photos to be judged in the "Junior Miss Photogenic" contest must be submitted by 5:00 pm on July 25, 2022 (Prior to the Contest's Ticket Meeting). This photo must be a **submitted to fcfqueentx@gmail.com**
12. Personal interviews will be conducted on Sunday, August 21 times and place TBD. We encourage semi-formal/professional dress.
13. Jr Miss Contestants will vote among their peers for a "Super Friend Award", voting will take place at the ticket turn in on Wednesday, 8/31.
14. Awards:
 - Junior Miss Fayette Co-\$300 Visa gift card, crown, sash, trophy
 - 1st Runner Up-\$200 Visa gift card, crown, sash, trophy
 - 2nd Runner Up-\$100 Visa gift card, crown, sash, trophy
 - Junior Miss Photogenic- trophy
 - Super Friend Award (voted on by the contestants) - trophy

All contestants must sell at least 10 carnival passes to receive the participant trophy and prize bag filled with coupons and gifts from area businesses in addition to participating in the Pageant. Volunteers work endless hours preparing for a night that everyone will remember, we want you to give 100% as well!
15. Contestants and parents are encouraged to attend the Fair Appreciation Kick Off Dinner at the Fairgrounds on Sunday, August 28 at 6:00 pm.
16. Ticket monies are turned in every Monday (see calendar) to Sunflower Bank (Old Pioneer Bank, 155 N Main, La Grange, Texas), you will be provided deposit slips for each week. If you will not be making a deposit on any of the given days (due to vacation, etc.), please contact the pageant chairperson immediately.
17. Contestant must turn in all ticket sale proceeds on Wednesday, August 31 at 4:30 pm. Sale proceeds not turned in by 5:00 pm will be subject to a penalty of

\$100.00 at 5:01 pm with the same penalty applied for each 15 minutes of tardiness thereafter. The Pageant rehearsal will follow.

18. The Fair Pageant will be held the evening of Thursday, September 1. Timeline will be given to the contestants as time gets closer. All dresses (formal or semi-formal) must be in good taste, age appropriate and not too revealing. Contestants will wait for the pageant to begin in an air-conditioned facility. After contestant's arrival, only touch-ups to hair and make-up will be permitted.
19. We understand that the Royalty Court are expected to participate to the fullest extent possible in the parades and public events scheduled for the Fall and Spring, Jr Miss is to participate in no less than 80% of the events as may be scheduled. (There are usually 20 events/parades planned for the year). Fayette County events are considered REQUIRED for all court members. In each event, the participant must dress appropriately and wear the proper attire. Should the expected participation be difficult or impossible due to intervening factors, the Queen Contestant Chairperson shall be contacted at the earliest opportunity. The Jr Miss and 1st Runner Up will be riding the float. If one of these is absent, the 2nd Runner Up will be asked to ride in that parade.
20. If for any reason should the Jr Miss not able to fulfill her duties in accordance to these rules and regulations, the 1st Runner Up shall be named Jr Miss and duly authorized to perform in this capacity.
21. The sole authority and judgement as to the sufficient performance or deficiency in performance of a contestant is stipulated to be within the sole discretion of the Board of Directors of the Fayette County Fair Association upon report and recommendation of the Fair Pageant Committee Chairperson.

A contestant may be disqualified at any time within the sole and absolute discretion of the Board of Directors of the Fayette County Fair Association.

We understand that we should make inquiry and receive approval from the Chairperson when we have questions. We and the Chairperson will always strive to be civil and cooperative in resolving problems and issues.

22. We understand that the Fayette County Fair Association has no insurance coverage for health care or accidental injury to contestants, volunteers or family; nor liability coverage for any acts of contestants, court, volunteers and family.
23. To the extent provided by law, contestant, court, parent(s), and guardian(s) release, indemnify, and hold harmless the Fayette County Fair Association

from any damage or injury to contestant, queen, queen's court, parent(s), and guardian(s), and volunteers while participating in furtherance of the contestant, court activities, and any damage or injury to others by such activities,

24. We consent to the use of the contest, photo, video, voice and biographic information for ticket sales and other Fair publicity, and the retention as an archive of Fayette County Fair Pageant history.

We and each one of us agree that the terms and requirements stated are fair and reasonable and each of us agree to abide by them.

Jr Miss Quick Guide of Important Information and Dates

- Fair Theme: A Whole Lotta Country!
- Awards:
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 - 2nd Runner Up-\$100 Visa gift card, crown, sash, trophy
 - Junior Miss Photogenic- trophy, gift card
 - Super Friend Award (voted on by the contestants) - trophy

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- Posters are NOT REQUIRED but are allowed to endorse ticket sales.
- Contestants are encouraged to put their parent/guardians phone number on publications to ensure safety of our contestants.
- Jr Miss will not compete against the queen candidates for top carnival ticket sales. These are two different contests with separate prizes.
- Fair Entertainers are as follows:
 - Friday, September 2nd: Go Tejano Night
 - Saturday, September 3rd: Austin Meade will open for Headliner Ian Munsick
 - Sunday, September 4th: Womanless Talent Show with some of Fayette County's Best and McBride & the Ride will Co-Headline with Gene Watson

This information can be printed on your optional posters and printed material.
- Carnival Fun Passes go on sale July 25, 2022 to patrons by Junior Miss Contestants.
- You can begin hanging posters (optional), posting on social media, passing out cards, calling customers, etc. on July 25, 2022! Don't jump the gun, PLEASE!!
- Carnival Passes will be distributed at the REQUIRED ticket meeting on Monday, July 25, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Fayette County Fair Grounds Exhibit Hall (400 W Fairgrounds Rd, La Grange, Texas 78945). **Pictures for Miss Photogenic Contest due at 5 pm on 7/25/22 (these are JPEG electronic copies sent to the FCFA queen's email, no exceptions).**
- Carnival Fun passes (discounted unlimited carnival rides until 11 pm for your choice of night) are sold at \$70. Pass includes unlimited rides for 4 nights from open till 11 pm, \$17.50/day...what a deal!
- Personal interviews will be conducted on Sunday, August 21, times and place TBD. We encourage semi-formal/professional dress.

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- The Pageant rehearsal will follow on August 30, bring your shoes.
- The Fair Pageant will be on Thursday, September 1, 2022. All dresses and gowns must be in good taste and age appropriate. Contestants will wait for the pageant to begin in an air-conditioned facility. After contestant's arrival, only touch-ups to hair and make-up will be permitted. Family is not allowed to stay in the building as it just is too small.
- The Jr Miss will receive a schedule of activities to attend for the weekend of the fair, the court is the face of the fair and is expected to be on the grounds to appear at events with her crown and sash.

JUNE - SEPTEMBER 2022			1	2	3	4
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12	13	14	15 Jr Miss Application posted	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Completed application & photo due by 4 pm	16
17	18	19	20	21 Contestants released in newspapers, on radio and online on Facebook!	22	23
24	25 Ticket meeting, 6: 00 pm at Exhibit Hall. (Ms. Photogenic photo due) Carnival Ticket sales begin!!	26	27	28	29	30
31	1 BANK DEPOSIT	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 BANK DEPOSIT	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 BANK DEPOSIT	16	17	18	19	20
21 Jr Miss Personal interviews	22 BANK DEPOSIT	23	24	25	26	27 Heifer Sale at Fairgrounds
28 Fair Kick Off! 6 pm	29 BANK DEPOSIT	30	31 Ticket turn in, 4:30 pm. Pageant Practice follows	1 Fair Pageant, 8:00 pm	2	3 FCF Parade for Court
4 Final day of the fair	5	6	7	8	9	10 First Parade for Court in Columbus

** Dates are subject to change.

Notice of Contestant Intent, Handbook Receipt and Rule Acknowledgement

- I have received the Fayette County Fair Jr Miss Contestant Handbook and abide with the rules stated within.
- I understand that all information must be completed by the deadlines stated with all proper signatures and turned in to the Pageant Chairperson to be considered as a Jr Miss Contestant.
- I understand that the FIRST 10 completed applications will be accepted and contestants submitting thereafter will be placed on a waiting list.
- I will be attending the REQUIRED meeting and ticket kickoff event on Monday, July 25 at 6:00 pm at the Fayette County Fair Grounds Exhibit Hall (400 W Fairgrounds Rd, La Grange, Texas 78945).

Contestant Name: _____

Contestant Signature: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Witness Signature: _____ Date: _____

Fayette County Jr Miss Contestant Information Form

****Digital photos must be emailed to fcfqueentx@gmail.com in JPEG format****

Contestant Name		
Parent's Name:		
Current Grade (2022/23 school year):	Age (as of 9/1):	
School Contestant is Attending:		
Hobbies:		
Organizations (4-H, Girl Scouts, Softball, etc.), School, Church Activities, Volunteer Work, etc.		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Mother's Primary Phone Number & Email Address		
Father's Primary Phone Number & Email Address		
Additional contact and Phone Number (if applicable)		

[COMPLETE, SCAN AND EMAIL THIS FORM TO FCFQUEENTX@GMAIL.COM](mailto:fcfqueentx@gmail.com)