

January 6-8, 2023 1202 East 38th Street · Indianapolis, IN 46205

October 25, 2022

Greetings!

Congratulations on being selected as your county's representative to the 2023 Indiana State Fair Queen Pageant! We are very excited to have you join us in Indianapolis this January.

Be sure to read each section of the registration portal and attached documents thoroughly. **No later than Monday, November 28, 2022, at 11:59pm,** you are responsible for the following to complete your Queen Pageant entry:

1. Upload your color Headshot Photo

- Before uploading it, *please* title/save the file with your contestant number, county, and name in this order: Number_County_YourName. (*Example*: 100_SomeCounty_BobbiBates)
- Photos may include your crown & sash, but they are not required. Photos will be cropped to a
 headshot portrait (printed in color TBD) in the 2023 Queen Pageant Souvenir Program available
 for purchase during the Preliminary and Finals judging and posted on our Indiana State Fair
 Queen Pageant Facebook page.

2. Enter your personal registration information online. This includes your:

Shared with the judges

- Name/County/City of Residence
- Competition Number see the Interview schedule
- Birthdate
- School now or in the future
- Awards/Accomplishments/Hobbies

For QP staff use only

- Contact Information
- Emergency Contact Information
- Allergies, Medical Conditions, or Dietary Restrictions the QP staff should be aware of
- T-Shirt size
- Introduction(s) our emcees will read during the public judging

IMPORTANT: When you register for the first time, the information fields should be blank. If at any time during online registration you see someone else's information entered into your field(s), please STOP immediately and contact Bobbi Bates, Coordinator, at queenpageant@indianastatefair.com.

You will notice some additional *options* in the registration portal. These are:

Optional Orders – not required

1. Purchase Tickets

Preliminary Judging tickets are \$10 each, as are Pageant Finals tickets (\$10 each). Ages 5-under are FREE. Both events are open to the public and will be held in the Indiana Farmers Coliseum on the Indiana State Fairgrounds.

Tickets will go on sale November 1, 2022. You may purchase directly through the ticket link in the Contestant Portal (the links will be posted when available), at www.Ticketmaster.com, or in person at the Indiana State Fairgrounds Box Office in the Indiana Farmers Coliseum lobby.

2. Saturday Luncheon Tickets

Contestants have the opportunity to invite up to SEVEN (7) guests to join them for lunch on Saturday, January 7, at the Indiana State Fairgrounds! The buffet luncheon will be held at 11:30am in the 4-H Exhibit Hall at the Indiana State Fairgrounds & Event Center. See the corresponding information for ordering instructions.

Luncheon tickets are \$25 each; the link will be posted in the contestant portal when available and tickets are on sale. This is the only opportunity family and friends will have to visit with contestants in person during the pageant weekend until after the public Finals on Sunday afternoon.

Deadline to purchase Luncheon tickets is December 23, 2022, at 11:59pm. No exceptions to the deadline or maximum number allowed. Tickets purchased are non-refundable. Walkup tickets will not be available on Saturday, January 7, 2023.

NOTE: Only contestants may purchase tickets, inviting those they wish to attend with them. Contestant tickets are complimentary – please do not order for yourself. A maximum SEVEN (7) tickets may be purchased by each contestant.

3. Souvenir Program Advertising

Ad purchase is NOT required. You do have the opportunity to purchase an ad in the printed souvenir program if you wish. See the corresponding information in the Contestant Portal for ordering instructions.

NOTES:

- Always log in to the Contestant Portal with the Username (email address) provided in the initial email you received. The password is the one you set for yourself.
- We recommend you allow for approximately 30-minutes to complete your online registration.
- Required fields are marked with an (*).

- The registration portal will remain open for edits through Monday, November 28, 2022, at 11:59pm which means you may log back in and update your information, introductions, etc. as needed. On November 29 at 12:00am, the portal will close to editing. No exceptions.
- If your parents or family wish to purchase a Souvenir Program ad and/or Saturday luncheon tickets on your behalf, they will need your Username (email address) and password you set to log into the portal and place the order(s). OR simply make the purchase(s) for them.
- Information regarding Preliminary & Finals tickets (Ticketmaster) and Souvenir Program Advertising will be sent separately to your county pageant director. They do NOT need your Username and Password to purchase they have their own.
- Please NOTE, as described in the General Information document, contestants will not deliver their one-minute prepared speech during the public Preliminary Judging on Saturday. Instead, the preliminary One-Minute Prepared Speeches will take place privately on Friday, January 6, 2023, simultaneously with the private Interviews. See the General Information document for details.
- Should changes or updates be made to the Queen Pageant agenda or activities scheduled to take place throughout the weekend, contestants will be notified by email.

We realize this is a lot of information! Our intent is to provide details to assist you in navigating the registration process completing your Queen Pageant entry.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions at <u>queenpageant@indianastatefair.com</u>. You may also call Andrew Stinson in the office at 317-927-7521.

The pageant staff and I look forward to welcoming you on Friday, January 6, 2023, as our guest for the 64th Annual Indiana State Fair Queen Pageant!

Bobbi Bates Queen Pageant Coordinator Indiana State Fair