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## 2022 MISS INDIANA STATE FAIR QUEEN CROWNED

**INDIANAPOLIS, IN 4/11/2022 - Alyssa McKillip, Miss Wabash County 2020**, was crowned the 63<sup>rd</sup> Indiana State Fair Queen on Sunday the Indiana State Fairgrounds & Event Center.

Miss Indiana State Fair 2022 was selected over 105 other contestants and is the third representative of Wabash County to hold the honor. The Indiana State Fair Queen plays a key role in representing the Indiana State Fair by traveling nearly 6,500 miles during June and July to approximately 45 counties statewide. This role serves as an important State Fair ambassador, raising awareness and bringing to life the vision of the Indiana State Fair: to be recognized as the best State Fair in the country, showcasing agriculture & youth in an educational and entertaining environment.

This year's Queen Pageant made history by including contestants from both the 2020 and 2021 County Fair seasons. Reigning State Fair Queen Claudia Duncan, of Vanderburgh County, was crowned in January 2020 and continued her reign through the 2021 State Fair following the cancellation of the 2020 Indiana State Fair.

This Year's Top 10 Finalists include:

1<sup>st</sup> Runner-Up: Sydney Dunkin, Vigo County 2020

2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-Up: Kalyn Melham, Delaware County 2021

3<sup>rd</sup> Runner-Up: Grace Brenneman, Elkhart County 2021

4<sup>th</sup> Runner-Up: Emma Yarber, Posey County 2021

Jenna Zeider, Pulaski County 2021

Kelsey Kendall, Marion County 2020

Julia Prickett, Shelby County 2021

Jordyn Wickard, Hancock County 2020

Keyton Romero, Howard County 2021

Miss Congeniality: Julianne Bell, Miss Martin County 2020

Miss Indiana State Fair 2022, Alyssa McKillip, is a sophomore Honors student at Butler University majoring in Psychology and completing minors in Biology and Chemistry. Following graduate school, she will pursue her dream of becoming a Pediatric Oncologist Physician Assistant. Alyssa graduated from Northfield High School in 2020 as the Co-Valedictorian. She enjoys baking, boating, traveling, and being a 4-H volunteer.

For the complete results including the 16 semi-finalists visit the Queen Pageant [website](#). The 2022 Indiana State Fair will be held July 29<sup>th</sup> – August 21<sup>st</sup>.

### The Great Indiana State Fair

The Indiana State Fair is the state's largest multi-day event celebrating the Hoosier spirit and agricultural heritage. These 18 days bring all communities together to celebrate all things Indiana and promote it to hundreds of thousands of people across the state, and beyond. Nationally recognized for offering great entertainment, showcasing youth and

interactive agriculture educational programs, premiere facilities and a variety of unique, fun foods, the Indiana State Fair has been an annual attraction for generations of Hoosiers since 1852. This year's Indiana State Fair will take place July 29<sup>th</sup> – August 21<sup>st</sup> (closed Mondays & Tuesdays). For information, visit [www.indianastatefair.com](http://www.indianastatefair.com).