

Wisconsin Association for Fair Fairest of the Fairs Contest Frequently Asked Questions July 2022



Reference Key:

WAF = Wisconsin Association of Fairs

WI FOTF = Wisconsin Fairest of the Fairs

WSF = Wisconsin State Fair

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Lodging** – WAF makes the room reservations for all of the contestants and assigns the roommates. Rooming details will be available in November. Rooms will be reserved for Sunday through Wednesday evenings with a Thursday morning check-out.
- **Final Banquet & Awards Tickets/Convention Registration for Fairest Guests** - We are often asked about what part of the Fairest Program parents and county fairest coordinators can attend. During the program, the majority of the time the contestants are participating in their own closed events, which are not open to the general convention attendees. However, they will participate in the WAF Convention for “Meet the Contestants” on Sunday afternoon; “Auction” on Monday evening; “Fairest Preliminaries” on Tuesday afternoon; and the “Final Banquet & Awards” on Wednesday. Those four events are open to attend by anyone registered for convention.

We ask that the Fair Secretary, FOTF Coordinator and the Contestant communicate with each other to determine what expense(s) is/are covered and by whom and who is making the reservations. Family may attend any portion of the WAF Convention, but advanced registration is required. If only attending the Wednesday evening Final Banquet & Awards, then only a banquet ticket is required. Early-bird convention registration is \$35 and banquet tickets are \$35 if received by **November 15**. At the Final Banquet & Awards contestants will introduce themselves to the attendees prior to us eating, allowing the judges a full hour to eat and determine the top ten. In November, we will send an updated schedule detailing the WI FOTF Contest.

- **Auction Item(s)**: Each contestant is responsible for bringing an item(s) for our auction for Monday evening. Many fairs do a collection of county related items, weekend packages, etc. The proceeds from the auction go to fund the WI FOTF Contest, Program, and WAF. Start planning now, as we will be asking for auction descriptions in **December**. Attached are auction description samples to assist in preparing your auction item(s). It is recommended that the fair and the fairest contestant work together on selecting the auction item. Auction items should be manageable by the contestant, so when they are auctioning it off, there is some part that can be showcased throughout the crowd.