

# PAGEANT BULLETIN

2018

## A Message from the Genesee County Fair Queen Pageant Committee...

Welcome to the 2018 Genesee County Fair Queen Pageant. In this bulletin we have included a few tips that might help you in your quest to become this year's Genesee County Fair Queen. We hope these tips will help you. Thank you for your interest in this year's Pageant.

Genesee County Fair Queen Pageant Coordinator

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## PURPOSE OF THE GENESEE COUNTY FAIR

The purpose of the Genesee County Fair is to provide a chance for youth and adults to come together and celebrate our counties rich and varied cultural traditions, as well as to share in memories that will last a lifetime.

### JUDGING CRITERIA

APPLICATION 1-10 points

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## JUDGING PROCESS

The Genesee County Fair Queen Pageant judging system is designed to promote diversity, individuality and overall achievement among all contestants. Judges score the individual contestants immediately following each phase of the Pageant. Contestants are scored on a point scale, in whole numbers, within each category.

During the Pageant, the weighing of scores awarded per category is distributed as follows;

Application:	1-10 points
Scholastic Achievement:	1-10 points
Interview:	1-20 points
Talent:	1-10 points
Impromptu Question:	1-20 points
Personality:	1-15 points
Poise and Appearance:	1-15 points
TOTAL POSSIBLE:	100 POINTS

***Good Luck!***



Have Fun! Play Fair!

Each contestant has to submit an application, which must be typed. Directions must be followed and each question on the application should have a clear answer. Criteria used for scoring the application: appearance and directions followed.

**SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT 1-10 points**

Each contestant has to submit an application. Criteria used for scoring the scholastic achievement: one's service to church, school and community.

**INTERVIEW – 5 minutes 1-20 points**

The panel of judges will meet in a group with each contestant for a 5 minute interview. Questions during the interview come from the contestant's application. Criteria used for scoring the interview: overall first impression, intelligence, vocabulary/grammar, composure and responses to questions asked. Contestants should wear business attire suitable for a professional job interview.

**TALENT - 3 to 5 minute 1-10 points**

Each contestant will perform a 3 to 5 minute talent presentation. Talent may include, but is not limited to, vocals in every medium, dance in all forms, gymnastics, instrumentals and drama or any other medium they excel in. Criteria used for scoring the talent: skill and stage presence, expression throughout and self-confidence.

**IMPROMPTU QUESTION 1-20 points**

Each contestant appears on-stage in formal wear. Each contestant will be given a question drawn at random. Criteria used for scoring the impromptu question: stage presence, composure, clarity of voice, speaking skills and expression.

**PERSONALITY 1-15 points**

This is very IMPORTANT be courteous to everyone! The congeniality is far more coveted than the crown itself. The judges could be watching you at all times, so keep a positive attitude through the whole pageant.

**POISE / APPEARANCE 1-15 points**

Each contestant will be viewed throughout the day by the judges. This area is very important, as it will give the general public the first impression of our current queen as she is presented at public events. Criteria used for scoring the appearance/personality: make-up, hairstyle, grooming, appearance in business attire and formal wear and congeniality/personality.

**INTERVIEW** - When being asked questions, honesty, sincerity and simplicity are the key. Judges look for contestants who are confident and comfortable with their questions.

**TALENTS – Vocal - remember** to choose a song you can sing comfortably. Poetry – choose a monologue that fits you and your expression. Instrumentalists – choose your material wisely. Dance – area 10' x 12' plan accordingly.

**SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT** - There really isn't much that can be said about this area, only remember it all has to do with your achievements in church, school and community.

**APPLICATION** – Make sure your application is typed. Your applications will be viewed by the judges and this is their first impression of you. Have someone you know proofread your work. Keep a copy of your application and make sure you know everything on it because chances are you will be asked questions directly from your application. Make sure you follow the directions given. This is very important as you can be marked down in points. Make sure to return your application by the deadline.

**IMPROMPTU QUESTION** - This is probably the one area that can break any ties between contestants. You must have confidence when answering the question. All I can say is to be prepared for anything. Always remember the following: composure, posture, clarity of expression, clarity of voice (your speaking skills) and most of all SMILE.

**PERSONALITY / POISE / APPEARANCE** – It is IMPORTANT to be courteous to everyone. The judges could be watching you at all times, so keep a positive attitude through the whole pageant. It's best to be yourself. DON'T OVER-DO.

**NOTE:** During the Pageant, please keep the following in mind:

1. There is a pageant for everyone.
2. Quitters and bad attitudes will never win.
3. Everyone has bad days.
4. Persistence and dedication make winners.
5. Poise and confidence is the key to the crown.
6. Practice your smile for the next pageant.

**DON'T GIVE UP!! REMEMBER THAT YOU WILL ALWAYS GAIN INSIGHT AT EACH EVENT.**

**CONTESTANT F. Y. I**

## 2018 MISS GENESEE COUNTY FAIR QUEEN PAGEANT GUIDELINES

- 1) **ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE FAIR OFFICE BY FRIDAY, JULY 6, 2018. POSTMARKED BY MIDNIGHT ON THIS DATE. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- 2) Contestants must be between the ages of 15 years to 19 years old (age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year), never been married, never had children, and a resident of Genesee County. A currently reigning Genesee County Fair Queen may not run the year following her crowning.
- 3) The Contest will be held on Monday, August 20, check-in and judging to be determined. .
- 4) Contestants agree to:
  - (1) be personally interviewed by the judges in a business attire
  - (2) appear on stage in a formal/evening gown for judging
  - (3) answer a "fishbowl" question on stage
- 5) Contestants agree that the decision of the judges shall be final.
- 6) Contestants agree to abide by all rules of the Genesee County Fair now in effect or hereafter announced.
- 7) Not compete in any other judged pageant during her reign as Miss Genesee County Fair Queen.
- 8) Judging will be based on the following point system: Application-10 pts., Scholastic Achievement-10 pts., Interview-20 pts., Talent-10 pts., Impromptu Question-20 pts., Personality-15 pts., Poise / Appearance-15 pts..
- 9) Must be available on Monday, August 20, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.. The exact schedule for check-in and judging will be available ten days prior to the Pageant. Parade will take place at 5:00 p.m. Coronation will take place at 7:00 p.m. All contestants must be present at the Parade and Coronation Ceremony.
- 10) The winner will reign for one year. The Queen and Her Court must be available during the week of August 20 through August 26, 2018 to host Fair activities (at least 4 hours per day). Throughout the year the Queen and her Court will be asked to participate in local parades or host additional activities.
- 11) Order of Judging: Interview (business attire), Talent (bring everything that is necessary), On-Stage Question (formal wear). Totaling of all scores and the announcement of Queen, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runners-up and Coronation will be announced to the general public at 7:00p.m. on Monday, August 20, 2018 in the Grandstand Area.
- 12) Must file your pageant application with the Genesee County Fair Office, along with a photo (that may be used in print materials to promote the contest).
- 13) If the Queen, 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> runners-up are unable to fulfill their duties, due to circumstances found to be objectionable by the Genesee County Fair Board of Directors, they will forfeit all awards. Queen – Crown and Sash, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up – sash. The next in line will finish their reign.
- 14) No scores will be released to any contestant.
- 15) **It is mandatory that you send the application, photo of yourself, and entry fee.** All submitted material must be **typed**. Photo used for identification purposes and may be used to promote the contest. If photo is not with application you will not be qualified to participate in the 2018 Miss Genesee County Fair Queen Pageant.
- 16) All materials (application and photo, etc) become the property of the Genesee County Fair.
- 17) Genesee County Fair Executive Director reserves the right to modify these Rules and Policies at any time, and with or without cause or notice.

Contestant # \_\_\_\_\_

# 2018 GENESEE COUNTY FAIR QUEEN PAGEANT APPLICATION

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

All application **INFORMATION MUST BE TYPED** (*NOT HAND WRITTEN*) except signature and include a photo. Please answer all questions with a brief **TYPED** explanation on a separate sheet(s). Number your answers to correspond with each question. Check your spelling; **JUDGES WILL SEE THIS APPLICATION** as you have written it. A \$10 entry fee must accompany this form. **Mail completed application, photo, and entry fee to:**

**Genesee County Fair**

**2188 W. Mt. Morris Rd.**

**Mt. Morris, Mi 48458**

## APPLICATION

Contestant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant's Address, City, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant's Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_ Contestant's Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Year or Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

College (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

1. What are your goals for the future, and how do you think you could reach these goals?
2. What have been your primary scholastic achievements?
3. What other extracurricular activities have you been involved in?
4. What church/civic/community activities have you been involved in?
5. What special honors/awards/recognition have you received?
6. What accomplishments are you most proud of?
7. Have you ever been involved in the Genesee County Fair before? Yes or No in what way?
8. Tell us briefly, why you want to become the Miss Genesee County Fair Queen.
9. If crowned Miss Genesee County Fair Queen, how do you think you can help promote the fair?
10. List something that isn't on this application that you would like the judges to know about you.

I hereby acknowledge that all data on this application is true to the best of my knowledge, and that I have read and understand all rules and requirements of the pageant. If under 18 years of age parent/guardian must also sign.

Contestant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents address, city, zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_