

2023 Winnebago County Fair Queen Pageant Rehearsal Schedule

- Wednesday 6/21/23 - We will not line up as I want to work on walking, turns and possibly sitting. If you already know the shoes you will be wearing, bring them. If not, please **bring any pair of heels to practice in. Written or typed Application and Sponsorship Money is due unless authorized by Pageant Director.**
- Wednesday 6/28/23 - Please plan on being here as we will be doing the line-up for the stage and begin working on Grand March, Evening Gown Modeling, Blending and Swimsuit Modeling. **Please try to at least have your taupe heels and bring them to practice in.** If not bring any heel to practice in. **Typed Application is due.**
- Wednesday 7/5/23 - To Be Determined
- Wednesday 7/12/23 - We will be learning the entire Production Number and will continue to perfect it later. If you miss this practice for any reason, it is your responsibility to talk with the Director (or choreographer) to arrange a time to learn it. You will need to purchase a t-shirt designed by our current queens and wear jean shorts and tennis shoes for the Production Number.
- Wednesday 7/19/23 - We will be conducting Mock Interviews, practicing speeches on stage and Paula will also be taking your pictures for the program book so please be prepared. You do not need to have your hair done, just make sure it is nice for a picture. **I will need ALL required forms from the girls (NEWSPAPER FORM, APPLICATION and BUSINESS CARD) and APPROVAL of INTERVIEW SUIT, EVENING GOWN, SWIMSUIT and SPEECH)** The mock judges will have feedback for you and give you pointers on what to work on for the real interview. Please have your family and friends practice giving you questions to answer and treat this mock interview as if it was the real thing.
- Wednesday 7/26/23 - To Be Determined
- Wednesday 8/2/23 - We will use this as a form of dress rehearsal. Please bring all clothing for one last fitting and bring both taupe heels and evening gown heels to practice in. If your dress has a train, I will want you to practice on stage with it as we may need to modify things slightly to accommodate for the train.
- Tuesday 8/8/23 - We will be taking all of you over to the Boone County Fair Queen pageant in Belvidere to watch and learn from what they do. I feel this is a great experience for all of you and will help you to know what to expect. We will meet for dinner (Allison will have more information when the time gets closer) and go to the pageant together as a group. **This is required unless pre-arranged!**

Saturday 8/12/23 -Interviews will be conducted and will do a final dress rehearsal on stage with both pairs of shoes you will be wearing when interviews are finished. You will not need your suits, dresses or swimsuits as we will not be changing cloths. By the time we leave, I am confident that everyone will be comfortable and excited for Wednesday. **TIME: Interviews from 9 – 11 and dress rehearsal from 11 – 1 (times may be modified depending on the number of contestants). Be at Moss Hall between 8 and 8:30 to prepare. Bring a snack with you so you can grab a bite to eat between events. Lunch will be served after Jr. Miss Interviews (around 1) and will be required as the judges will join us.**

Wednesday 8/16/23 - Pageant Day! You will need to be at Moss Hall at the fairgrounds no later than 4:00 pm. Please have your hair done for stage. It is up to you if you want to have your makeup done or if you do once you get there. Once you are there, you will not be allowed to leave until after the pageant is completed that evening.

Rehearsals are subject to change so please be sure to attend each practice. We understand that summer vacations may happen but it is also very important to be committed to this pageant. All absences will be looked at by the judges and if unexcused or excessive there may be a deduction in your score.

Excess: More than 25% of the 8 practices (this equals 2 practices)

Excused: 1) You notify the Pageant Director via txt at least 2 hours before the start of rehearsal or have pre-arranged being gone.
2) You are still within the 25% excess.

Unexcused: 1) No notification or not 2 hours before the start of rehearsal and have not pre-arranged being gone.
2) You are over the 25% excess

(Excused and Unexcused applies to being late and absent completely. This is not designed to be difficult but to keep things fair for everyone. I worry when you are not where you should be so please talk to me and we can possibly work something out.)

I, _____ (Printed Contestant Name), have read all of the above and agree to abide as a contestant of the WCFQ Pageant.

I, _____ (Printed Parent/Legal Guardian Name if under 18 years of age) have read all of the above and agree that _____ (Printed Contestant Name) will abide as a contestant of the WCFQ Pageant. (If contestant is under the age of 18 years old)

_____, Contestant Signature _____ Date

_____, Parent/Legal Guardian Signature _____ Date

(If contestant is under the age of 18 years old)