

# LITTLE MISS WINNEBAGO COUNTY FAIR QUEEN PAGEANT

Thursday, August 17, 2023 at 6:00pm at Moss Hall  
\$200 Cash Award

## RULES/REQUIREMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

1. **Personal Characteristics:** In order to be eligible to participate, Parent/Legal Guardian of contestants must certify to the Personal Characteristics in this section along with all of the other rules by signing this Form.
  - a. Candidates must be a minimum of 5 years of age and not have achieved her 10th birthday by August 17, 2023.
  - b. Must be a U.S. Citizen. Contestant, Parent or Legal Guardian must currently be a resident of Winnebago County IL or the contestant is attending a Winnebago County school. Contestants from another county may compete if their country does not have a pageant for their given age division or if approved by the Winnebago County Fair Board. We will request a copy of your parent's/legal guardian's driver's license for proof of address. If outside of Winnebago County, we will need proof of enrollment in a Winnebago County school for the 23-24 school year.
  - c. Can never have been convicted of a felony offense.
  - d. Was born female and has always been a female.
  - e. Is of good moral character. Has never performed any act or engaged in any activity that is or could be characterized as immoral or indecent. Attests that any and all online depictions associated with the contestant's name or likeness including but not limited to Facebook and any other social media pages are consistent with standards and dignity of the Winnebago County Fair Queen Pageants.
2. Anyone holding a current annual title (having a crown and/or sash) or any former Little Miss Winnebago County Fair Queen will not be eligible to participate.
3. Candidates must have parent's/legal guardian's written consent agreeing to the rules and requirements.
4. All visible tattoos must be covered with cosmetics or a band-aide and piercings are limited to a maximum of two in each ear lobe only. All other piercings must be removed for competition including piercings in the tongue, nose and belly-button (if seen through the clothing).
5. Each candidate will be required to appear on stage in a party dress of her choice, introduce themselves and answer a series of on-stage questions.
6. No talent performance is required for the county levels.
7. All clothing must be age appropriate and NO MAKEUP will be allowed. If it is determined by the pageant staff that they are wearing makeup, they will not be allowed to participate unless it is removed and will not receive a refund.
8. A rehearsal will be on Saturday, August 12, 2023 from 3:00 – 4:30 pm. It is recommended that you come so your daughter has the chance to get up on stage and practice walking and turning and speaking to the emcee. If you cannot attend, please notify the Pageant Director via text, voice mail or email.
9. Candidates will be judged as follows: On-Stage Interview (40%), On-Stage Modeling (35%) and Photo (25%). Photos need to be a snap shot no larger than 5x7 (NO PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS PLEASE) and are judged on the girl in the photo, not the quality of the photo. Photos will not be returned to you so make sure it is a copy.
10. Parents/Legal Guardians of the newly crowned Little Queen will use extreme caution and are encouraged to make certain there are no derogatory photos and written comments on Facebook or other media sites.
11. The newly crowned Little Queen is required to be at the fair all week unless approved by the Pageant Director. Because they are so young it is understandable that they may have to limit their time during each day or take time out to rest.

12. The newly crowned Little Queen and her parents agree to participate in all parades and other events which may arise during the year. Activities connected with the Winnebago County Fair should take precedence over and above all other personal appearances. A list of all required events will be handed out at rehearsal on Saturday or you can request one be emailed to you.
13. It is prohibited for the 2023 Little Miss Winnebago County Fair Queen to participate in any other scholarship, beauty or mentoring (practice) pageants during her reign. If she chooses to do so she will be required to give up her title and all that goes with it (tiara, sash, pin, ring, all gifts and cash) to the next eligible Runner-up (Eligibility will be determined by the Pageant Director and Winnebago Co Fair Board). This may also disqualify her from competing in the Little Miss, Jr. Miss or Miss Winnebago County Fair Queen pageant in the future.
14. Cash award will not be awarded until the completion of her reign.
15. If for any reason the Little Queen cannot fulfill her duties the title and all that goes with it (tiara, sash, pin, ring, all gifts and cash) will go to the next eligible Runner-up.
16. Decisions of the judges are final. Any grievances or objections relative to the contest will be referred to the Pageant Committee of the WCFA. Each judge will sign an affidavit stating that they are not related to nor do they or have they ever coached any of the Little Miss contestants competing this year.
17. Scores will not be given out to the contestants after the pageant. If you would like feedback or have any questions, please contact the Pageant Director for details.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Printed Parent/Legal Guardian Name) have read all of the above rules and agree that \_\_\_\_\_ (Printed Contestant Name) will abide by them during all rehearsals and reign if crowned queen.

\_\_\_\_\_, Parent/Legal Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date

PLEASE COMPLETE THE **REGISTRATION FORM** FOUND ON THE WEBSITE AND **MAIL THIS FORM, PHOTO and \$50 SPONSORSHIP FEE TO THE FAIR OFFICE** BY THE DEADLINE BELOW AND KEEP A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS. Contestant numbers will be assigned in the order received.  
Mail to:

WCFA, Little Miss Registration, PO Box 810, Pecatonica, IL 61063

**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS July 24, 2023** in order to have an ad in the program or contact the Kim Mathieu at 815-275-7364 or [bkbk4117@gmail.com](mailto:bkbk4117@gmail.com) if there is a conflict. We will accept entries up until the Rehearsal on Sat, 8/13/22 but without an ad in the program.

An **INFORMATION MEETING** will be held on Wednesday, **June 7, 2023** at 6:00pm in Moss Hall located at the Winnebago County Fairgrounds in Pecatonica, IL.

(If any check is returned for insufficient funds it could lead to disqualification of the contestant.)

Any question? Contact Kim Mathieu at 815-275-7364 or email at [bkbk4117@gmail.com](mailto:bkbk4117@gmail.com)