

Dear Contestant,

It is with great excitement that I welcome you to the Miss Lawrence County pageant. The Lawrence County fair is a great time for our community. It is a time for entertainment, fun, friendship and local agriculture. Throughout the fair you will enjoy activities from the rodeo to the livestock auction to the crowning of the 2010 Miss Lawrence County. Being crowned Miss Lawrence County holds a lot more than just the title. Local and area businesses generously donate wonderful prizes for the queen's enjoyment. The winner will also receive a scholarship from Illinois Eastern Community College. This lucky young woman will spend the week reigning over fair events and make appearances in many community events throughout the year. She will travel to Springfield in January to compete for the title of Miss Illinois County Fair Queen.

If you have ever thought about being a contestant and would like to meet new people, make lifelong friends, and represent our community we encourage you to join us. Who knows "you" may just be the next Miss Lawrence County. Are you up for the challenge? If so, join us for all the fun...Don't be a "wish I would have" kind of person, just give it your best shot, and in the end, you will be glad you did.



Looking forward to working with you!

Samantha Kocher

Miss Lawrence County 2009

Lawrence County Fair Queen Pageant Official Rules & Regulations

1. An entrant must be 16 years old and not have reached her 22nd birthday by January 1st of the following year.
2. Entrant, parent, or guardian must be a resident of Lawrence County; or entrant must attend school in Lawrence County; or reside in a connecting county, providing that the county in which she lives does not have a county fair pageant.
3. Entrant must be single and never have been married, divorced, or had a marriage annulled. It must be understood, also, that contestants entering the pageant cannot have had a child and never have been pregnant.
4. Entrant must be of good physical condition and make known to the pageant crew any conditions that might affect the ability to; participate in or perform the duties of, a contestant or queen.
5. Entrant is of good moral character and not been involved at any time in any act of extreme immorality. Entrant must have conduct becoming of a queen contestant or queen at all times, including, but not limited to: information, comments, blogs, or photographs in person, on the telephone, or on the internet, while vying for the title of Miss Lawrence County. Any attitudes, actions, or activities perceived as conduct unbecoming of a queen contestant or reigning queen, or a contestant's representative as determined by the pageant crew, can and may result in the immediate removal of the entrant from the contest at any point prior to the crowning of Miss Lawrence County. The decision of the recall of an entrant due to moral character is that of the Lawrence County Junior Fair Association Board and the Pageant Crew, and shall be final.
6. For any reason the Queen is unable to fulfill her obligations as the reigning Queen, she agrees to relinquish the title of Miss Lawrence County Fair immediately, all privileges connected with the said title, together with all prizes awarded to her to the date, including but not limited to, her crown, trophy, banner, and every gift not inscribed with the Queen's name. She shall be succeeded by the next eligible runner-up and said runner-up shall be awarded all the gifts as if she were chosen Queen on pageant night.
7. Miss Lawrence County agrees to participate in functions becoming of a Queen which may arise during the year. Activities connected with the Lawrence County Fair should take precedence over any and all other personal appearances. The Queen agrees not to enter any other pageants except the Miss Illinois County Fair Pageant during her reign. The state pageant will be held in January in Springfield, Illinois. The Queen will be accompanied during this time by a chaperone approved by the pageant crew.
8. Professional models are not eligible. Body art and/or piercings must be approved by the pageant crew. During the pageant, if deemed necessary, all body art must be covered with make-up and all unnecessary piercings must be removed.
9. Entrants are required to attend all practices, or have an excused absence approved by the pageant crew, and to wear high heels at the practices. The pageant crew has the power to reject any contestant's clothing if it is not appropriate for the pageant. Entrant agrees to appear in a one-piece, one-color swimsuit with taupe high heels, evening gown, and an interview and/or speech suit or dress. No pants are allowed. The contestants are judged: in a four minute interview, swimsuit, evening gown, on a one minute speech that is approved by the pageant crew, and an on-stage question.
10. Entrant agrees to abide by all the rules of the County and State Pageant now in effect; or as hereafter announced. Entrant agrees that the time, manner, and method of conducting and judging the contest shall be the sole discretion of the pageant crew and the decision of the judges is final.

Lawrence County Fair Queen Pageant Contract

I hereby acknowledge that I have read the official rules and regulations printed on this entry form, and that I am complying with them in every way; and that the personal data herein set forth is **true and correct**.

Signed: _____ Queen Contestant

Dated: _____

Signed: _____ Parent or Guardian

Dated: _____

Please return the registration forms and your \$10 entry fee by July 1st to:

Marsha Heath
1403 15th Street
Lawrenceville, IL 62439

maykay12@yahoo.com

EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION FORM

This information will be shared only with authorized medical personnel and pageant crew members to be used in case of an emergency.

Contestant Name: _____

Sponsoring Fair: _____ Birthdate: _____

Home Address: _____

Physician who conducted your most recent physical exam:

Physician's Name: _____ Location: _____

Physician's Phone: _____ Date of Last Exam: _____

For your own safety, please mark all the following that apply and provide additional details.

CHRONIC AILMENTS		ALLERGIES	
Asthma, or other Respiratory Problems		Medication	
Diabetes or Hypoglycemia		Bee Stings/Insect Bites	
Hemophilia, or other Bleeding Problems		Foods	
Circulatory or Heart Problems		Others, If Significant	
Epilepsy			
Other, If Significant			

Details: _____

Blood Type: _____ Date of Last Tetanus Shot: _____

Current Medications (if any): _____

Who should be called in case of an emergency?

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell or Work Phone: _____

MEDICAL RELEASE AND CONSENT FORM

Contestant Name: _____

Sponsoring Fair: _____ Birthdate: _____

Home Address: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Medical Insurance Company/HMO Name: _____

Employer or Company Name (if group plan): _____

Policy Number: _____ Policy Holder's Name: _____

Relationship to Contestant: _____ Policy Holder's Birthdate: _____

I certify the policy named above is now in force and will be maintained through January 31, 2010. I understand that contestants are responsible for all medical/dental expenses incurred during the time in which they participate in the Miss Illinois County Fair Queen Pageant competition activities as well as traveling to or from the event; and agree to release the Miss Illinois County Fair Queen Pageant, the Illinois Association of Agricultural Fairs, its' Board, Staff or Volunteers from any loss, damage, liability or injury, however caused, arising from participation in the Miss Illinois County Fair Queen Pageant. Further, I certify that the medical information given above is true and accurate.

Contestants Signature and Date

Parent/Guardian Signature and Date

In the event of accident, injury or illness of the aforementioned contestant, I the undersigned, do hereby authorize the Board, Staff and Volunteers of the Miss Illinois County Fair Queen Pageant and the Illinois Association of Agricultural Fairs to provide emergency medical treatment; and consent to any x-ray examination, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis or procedure rendered under the general or specific supervision of any registered medical or dental provider. It is understood that this authorization is given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment or hospital care being required but is given to provide authority and power to render care which the aforementioned medical or dental provider in the exercise of his best judgement may deem advisable. It is understood that effort shall be made to contact the listed emergency contact prior to rendering treatment to the patient, but that any of the above treatment will not be withheld if the undersigned cannot be reached.

Contestants Signature and Date

Parent/Guardian Signature and Date

Dear Entrant,

Thank you for your entry in the Miss Lawrence County Pageant. I hope you will have an enjoyable experience while participating in this exciting event. Below you will find a list of scheduled practices to help prepare you for the pageant. Please let us know if you have any questions.

This will be the schedule of events, but extra dance practices may be scheduled later.

July 2nd - Typed application forms and entry fees are to be returned. The forms can be mailed to Marsha Heath, 1403 15th St., Lawrenceville, IL 62439. All forms may also be dropped off to the Extension office, Attn: Marsha Heath. The application forms are used for the program and all news media so please include everything you want us to know and please be neat.

July 6th - Informational meeting at the Lawrence County Fair Grounds at 6:00pm for all entrants. Moms of all contestants are welcome also. Please bring appropriate shoes.

July 9th - Group pictures for the program will be taken at Special Effects in Lawrenceville. You will also have the option of purchasing a group photo to keep.

6:00 pm - Jr Miss Contestants in Sunday wear

6:30pm - Miss Contestants in formals

July 12th - Practice for everyone at 6:00pm at the Lawrence County Fair Grounds. We will take this opportunity to work on stage presence, interviews, and the dance number. Please dress appropriately.

July 15th - Practice for everyone at 6:00pm at the Lawrence County Fair Grounds. We will take this opportunity to work on stage presence, interviews, and the dance number. Please dress appropriately.

July 19th - Practice for everyone at 6:00pm at the Lawrence County Fair Grounds. All media will be invited to take pictures for promotional use. Please dress appropriately.

July 25th - Practice at Lawrence County Fair Grounds 2:00pm. All clothing and accessories will be approved. We will also run through the entire pageant at this time.

July 26th - Practice for Miss contestants only. Lawrence County Fair Grounds 6:00pm

July 29th - A final run through of opening numbers and pageant will be held at the Lawrence County Fair Grounds 6:00pm.

August 1st - Interviews will be held in the afternoon at a location later to be announced. Pageant will begin at 7pm at the Lawrence County Fair Grounds.

I hope this will be a fun and memorable part of your summer!

Any questions please call Marsha Heath (812)887-3088