

Miss Williamson County Fair Queen Pageant

2021-2022

Official Rules and Regulations

1. Contestant must be a U.S. Citizen and resident of Williamson County. Individuals from other counties may participate if their county does not have a County Fair Queen pageant.
2. Contestant must never have been convicted of a felony offense.
3. Contestant must be single and never have been married or had a marriage annulled; contestant can never have been pregnant.
4. ALL tattoos must be covered during the pageant and during ALL appearances as Miss Williamson County Fair.
5. ALL body piercings must be removed and only earrings can be worn during the pageant and during ALL appearances as Miss Williamson County Fair.
6. Any and all provocative or distasteful photos or text must be removed from any online source or mobile device before entering the pageant and must remain off during your rein as Miss Williamson County Fair. Director/Fair board member can require any such photos, posts/tweets to be removed at any time during her rein.
7. A contestant must be a minimum of 16 years of age by the pageant date and not have reached her 22nd birthday by January 1 of the following year.
8. No one will be allowed back stage to assist the contestant. The pageant committee will assign someone to assist with minor details for the pageant event.
9. Contestants are required to attend the first meeting and the pageant rehearsals.
10. Each Miss contestant's interview attire, swimsuit, evening gown, and speech must be approved by the pageant director for the County Fair Pageant prior to the event.
11. Contestant agrees to be personally interviewed by the judges, to appear in a one- piece swimsuit and formal gown and to perform a one minute speech on stage.
12. Contestant agrees that the time, manner and method of conducting and judging the contest shall be solely within the discretion of the pageant officials and that the decision of the judges is final.
13. If chosen as Miss Williamson County Fair Queen, any and all directions will ONLY be given by the Pageant Director, (in the absence of the pageant director then a fair board member will act as pageant director).
14. If chosen as Miss Williamson County Fair, contestant agrees to represent Williamson County and compete for the title of Miss Illinois County Fair. This contest will be held in January at the Crowne Plaza in Springfield. The Queen also agrees that all wardrobe, hair, makeup, and speech will be approved by the pageant director one month prior to leaving for the state pageant.
15. The queen agrees to have official pictures taken and all state paperwork completed by October 10th 2021 for the State Pageant by the approved photographer and time set forth by the director to be paid for by the queen/family or sponsor obtained by the queen/family.
16. The queen agrees to appear every evening during the week of the fair. (Unless arrangements have been made prior to the pageant). If selected as Miss Williamson County Fair, contestant named below would agree to participate in functions becoming to a queen, which might arise during the year. She will attend the Southern

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Zone meeting that is held in November and any other events that arise as the year goes on.

17. The queen agrees to keep a scrapbook of her year as Miss Williamson County Fair. She will keep it up to date and have it judged at the Southern Zone Meeting in November. At anytime the Fair board or Pageant director can request to review the scrapbook.
18. Any appearances as Miss Williamson County Fair, that are outside of the county and not during fair week; the Queen agrees to have a Chaperone accompany her to the event. This can be the director, fair board member, parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, or a sibling over the age of 18. A boyfriend will never be an acceptable chaperone. There will be ABSOLUTELY no Public Display of Affection when making an appearance as queen and no social media posts with PDA. When visiting other pageants or making appearances you must be dressed as a "queen" heels and a dress are the appropriate attire.
19. She is to participate in the following parades, DuQuoin State Fair, Marion, Carterville, Herrin Homecomings and The Veterans Parade in Marion. She is encouraged to participate in other parades, with prior approval from the director. The queen is responsible for securing her own transportation for all parades. All personal appearances as Miss Williamson County Fair shall be **approved** in advance by the pageant director, as well as any photographic sessions and pictures released as the roll of Miss Williamson County Fair. In case of marriage, or for any reason being unable to fulfill her obligations as the reigning queen for the entire year, she agrees to immediately relinquish the title and all privileges to said title (including crown, sashes, trophy, and prizes not yet awarded by that date) and to be succeeded by the next eligible runner-up.
20. If chosen as Miss Williamson County Fair Queen she is expected to act in a behavior becoming to a queen! This includes no consumption of alcohol or drugs or being at a residence or party where inappropriate behavior or illegal behavior (i.e. under age drinking) is taking place. Any vocabulary or text must be of tact and class, any photos posted or shared must not show ANY inappropriate behavior, furthermore any photo that could be misconstrued as inappropriate behavior should not be shared! USE GOOD JUDGEMENT!!! During her year of service she is representing herself, her director, her community and county and she is held at a higher standard of behavior! **Any misconduct** brought to the Director's or Fair Board's attention will result in a written warning; any such behavior after that warning WILL result in being stripped of the prestigious title. Any arrest or illegal misconduct will result in her losing her title immediately. **Consistent communication with the director is required.**
21. When making appearances as Miss Williamson County Fair she should dress as a queen. A dress and heels are the appropriate attire, unless at fair events when boots and more casual attire may be appropriate.
22. The queen's scholarship money will be awarded only after the full year is completed and contract is upheld and will be given to her after her retiring pageant the following

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year. Scholarship will be paid directly to her school of choice, unless other arrangements have been made prior to the 2021- 2022 pageant.

Contestant agrees to abide by the rules of the county and state contest now in affect or as hereafter announced.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read the official rules and regulations printed herewith, and that I am complying with them in every way and the personal data provided to the pageant director is true and correct.

Signed _____ Date_____

Pageant Entrant

Signed _____ Date_____

Parent or Guardian (If under 18)