

Official 2024 Louisa County Fair Scholarship Pageant Contestant Packet and Application

Thank you for your interest in the 2024 Louisa County Fair Scholarship Pageant! We are looking forward to a fabulous year with contestants and the new queens! Please read the entire packet, as it contains valuable information as you prepare to become a contestant in this year's event.

If you have any questions, please contact the director at LouisaAgFairPageant@gmail.com.

Thank you,

Whitney Smith, Director

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

ENTRY DEADLINE Saturday, July 6th

Age Divisions:

- Tiny (2-3 years)
- Little (4-6 years)
- Young (7-9 years)
- Pre-Teen (10-13 years)
- Teen (14-16 years)
- Miss (17-22 years)

Pageant Date/Location/Times

-Sunday July 14th at 1:30 pm- Louisa Arts Center

- The dressing room will be available for preteen, teen and miss contestants (as they have an outfit change).
- Tiny, Little, Young Miss arrive stage ready
- Stage will open at 12:45 pm for contestants to practice modeling a **T formation** behind closed curtains. More information will be forth coming
- Tiny Miss is the only division allowed to have an adult on stage with them.**

Photogenic Submissions (additional \$10):

***Please submit a photo via email to the pageant director by July 6th**

*Photos should be a headshot of contestant

SPECIAL INFORMATION

- In the event of a tie during the tabulation of scores, all divisions will be broken using the highest overall impression score. For the Miss Division, the judges (without interaction from pageant staff) will break the tie; all categories for the Miss Division will be evaluated in breaking the tie.

2024 RULES AND REGULATIONS

Please read the following; signing the application acknowledges your agreement to these rules. The 2024 fair queens are also required to abide by these rules after receiving their title.

1. **ALL contestants must reside in Louisa County**
2. Contestants must be female who has always been female, single, never married, without children, and never having being pregnant.
3. Contestant must possess strong moral character, have never been convicted of a crime, have any pending criminal charges, or have committed an act or engaged in an activity which is or could be characterized as dishonest, immoral, indecent or in bad taste. These regulations also apply to improper images/actions on all social media outlets.
4. All Contestants must enter the division corresponding with their age as of pageant day. All winners may not win the same title/age division twice.
5. Contestant line-up will be determined by the order applications are received by the director (first in, last out).
6. The first runner-up in each age division must be willing to assume all duties in the event that the winner is unable or unwilling to fulfill her duties.
7. The 2024 titleholders are required to attend/participate/abide in the following:
 - Fair Week July 25th-27th
 - Other events as requested by the fair board, pageant committee and pageant director
 - **Miss** may Not participate in other pageants during reign prior to Miss VAF.
8. The 2024 Miss Louisa County Fair will compete at the Miss Virginia Association of Fairs Scholarship Pageant, to be held January at The Williamsburg Lodge in Williamsburg, VA. The queen will work strictly with the pageant directors and assigned resources. Additional information will be discussed with the queen. Should the queen choose not to compete it must be approved by the fair board and pageant director/committee.
9. All contestants and family/guests must conduct themselves in a proper manner at all times throughout pageant weekend. Any display of uncooperative and unsportsmanlike conduct will result in immediate disqualification of the contestant and removal of individuals from the property.

All rules, regulations, awards, schedules, and information pertaining to the pageant are subject to change at the discretion of the Director, the Fair Pageant Committee, and the Fair Board, if necessary

QUEEN DUTIES

Winners will be *expected to attend* and help at the fair on **Thursday, Friday and Saturday** July 25th-27th (a schedule of fair duties will be given to the winner after crowning). Tiny Miss will be excluded if parents feel they are too young. Some girls may be asked to do public service duties during the year. Please keep this in mind when entering the pageant.

The **Miss winner** will attend the Miss Virginia Association of Fairs pageant in January. She will also promote her platform throughout her reign. Queen will be responsible for expenses (wardrobe, hotel, etc.).

AWARDS/GIFTS

Across the six age divisions multiple awards will be presented.

- All six age divisions: Queen Title/1st RU/2nd RU and the following side awards: Photogenic, People's Choice and Community Service
- Miss Division Only Congeniality, Top Interview Award, Queen Scholarship (\$500)
- Queen Awards include: Rhinestone crown and Sash, Admission to fair week events

Pageant Attire Requirements

Tiny	Fair Wear (Sundress, shorts outfit, NO GOWNS)
Little	Fair Wear (Sundress, shorts outfit, NO GOWNS)
Young	Fair Wear (Sundress, shorts outfit, NO GOWNS)
Pre-Teen	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Personality Wear (A CASUAL outfit of your choice that best displays your personality) 2. Floor length gown or dress of choice. Gowns should NOT be strapless, No slits in gowns.
Teen	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Personality Wear (A CASUAL outfit of your choice that best displays your personality) 2. Floor length gown or dress of choice. Gown may be strapless and have a slit (should not come too far above knee). 3. Interview Attire: Business dress, sun dress
Miss	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Personality Wear (A CASUAL outfit of your choice that best displays your personality) 2. Floor length Gown or dress of choice 3. Interview Attire: Business dress, sun dress

2024 Areas of Competition

For more information or to ask detailed questions, please email the director.

Area of Competition	Divisions	Details
Photogenic	All age divisions (optional area of competition)	Please email headshots to director by the application deadline. Judged by a panel of judges on pageant day.
Fair Wear	Tiny, Little, Young	Outfit of choice (sundress, shorts outfit, something you would wear for the summer or to the fair, see attire requirements on page 2). Judging will focus on appearance, outfit, personality, poise, and overall impression.
Interview	Teen and Miss Only	Five-minute panel interview with judges, judging focuses on personality, poise, speaking/conversational ability, and overall impression. ***interview will be held the day of the pageant before 12:30 pm- times will be scheduled the week of the pageant.
Personality Wear	Pre-Teen, Teen, Miss	A <i>casual</i> outfit of your choice that best displays your personality is to be worn. Judging will focus on appearance, outfit, personality, poise, and overall impression. Outfits that could serve as evening wear are NOT permitted
Formal Attire/Gown	Pre-Teen, Teen, Miss	Gown/Dress of Choice (see attire requirements on page 2). Judging will focus on appearance, gown, personality, poise, and overall impression.
On-Stage Question	Pre-Teen, Teen and Miss	An on-stage, unrehearsed question to identify the impromptu public speaking ability of each contestant.
Community Service	All Contestants (optional)	The winners will be determined by which contestant donates the most for each age division. (see page 4)

Community Service Project Information

This year's community service recipient will be the Louisa County Resource Council. The Resource Council serves the residents of Louisa County. Economic troubles have caused many families to struggle with basic needs, including the ability to provide food for their loved ones. You can impact the daily lives of fellow community members by donating non-perishable food items through the Louisa County Fair Scholarship Pageant's 2024 Community Service Project.

This year, an award will be given to the top community service contributor in each age division. Contestants may solicit for items through Facebook events, organizing drop-off points throughout the community, and so forth. We encourage everyone to participate to help an organization that helps so many members of our community.

Donations for the community service project can be dropped off at the Louisa Resource Council. Prior to turning in your items, please fill out the bottom half of this page; when completed, bring it with you on competitor day. Item counts will be double-checked so please be honest when writing down your items. Please have a resource council volunteer initial your paper when dropping off your donations.

2024 Louisa County Fair Scholarship Pageant Community Service Project

Contestant Name: _____ Age Division: _____

Item Donated	Qty.	Item Donated	Qty.	Item Donated	Qty.

Signature of volunteer accepting items: _____

2024 LCFSP CONTESTANT APPLICATION (July 14th 1:30 pm- Louisa Arts Center)

Please circle the age division for the contestant's age on 7-14-2024

Tiny Miss (2-3 yrs) * Little Miss (4-6 yrs) * Young Miss (7-9 yrs)

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____ Age (as of 7-14-24): _____

Street Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parents: _____

Pre-School/School/Grade: _____

Why I Want to Be a Fair Queen: _____

Favorite Hobbies/Activities: _____

When I Grow Up, I Want To: _____

Sponsored By: _____

As a participant in an event sponsored by the Louisa County Fair, I understand that every precaution has been taken to prevent the occurrence of accidents or injury to myself and other participants either at or during said events. I understand that accidents or injuries can result from my participation in such events by signing here under: I agree to hold the Louisa County Fair, the Pageant Directors and Volunteers, and Louisa County Arts Center harmless from accidents or injuries that may occur through negligence of myself or others. The parties listed are also not responsible for lost or stolen items during the event weekend. Participant further agrees to abide by all rules and regulations set forth by the Louisa County Fair, which is available in the contestant packet; failure to do so will result in disqualification and potential of being banned from the pageant program. I also agree that my image and/or name may be used for future Louisa County Fair and/or pageant events. If the participant is under 18 years of age, parent or guardian must sign. My signature below acknowledges that I have read the rules and regulations and agree to adhere to them.

Participant or Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

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***** Please refer to our Facebook page for information and updates! *****

\$50- Pageant Entry Fee (per contestant)
\$10 Photogenic Fee (optional)
\$45 Sibling Discount Rate
(first child is \$50; all others are \$45)

MUST BE RECEIVED TO THE DIRECTOR BY Saturday July 6th!

\$ _____ Total Amount Enclosed

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***** Please make checks/money orders payable to: "Louisa County Fair". Write Beauty Pageant in the MEMO*****

Please mail completed forms to:
Louisa County Fair Scholarship Pageant
c/o Whitney Smith
4528 East Old Mtn. Road
Louisa, VA 23093

Receipt date of application will not be determined by postmark

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Pre-Teen Miss (10-12 yrs) * Teen Miss (13-16 yrs) * Miss (17-22 yrs)

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____ Age (as of 7-14-24): _____

Street Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parents: _____

School/Grade/Place of Employment: _____

Why I Want to Be a Fair Queen: _____

Personal Interests/Hobbies: _____

Future Ambitions: _____

Sponsored By: _____

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Teen and Miss Age Division Contestants

Only

Interview:

You will complete a 5-minute panel interview prior to the 1 pm pageant. Interviews will be conducted at the Louisa Arts Center on the day of the pageant, July 14th. Interviews will begin around 10:30 AM (exact start time will depend on the number of contestants). You will be emailed your interview time on July 11th.

Application and Resume:

You may hand write the application sheet on the page prior, it will only be used by pageant staff for your bio to be read during the pageant.

In addition to your application you will need to turn in a **typed resume**. Please **submit 4 copies of your resume and short answer questions** with your application.

Please limit your resume to **one page** and your response to the short answer questions to one page.

Your resume is a fact sheet about yourself. If you look at the interview and the whole pageant process as a "job interview" then you will most likely do your best. The judges are looking for someone to fill the JOB of holding the title of "Miss Louisa County Fair." The judges will receive a copy of your resume before meeting you so it will be their first impression of you before you even enter the room. The judges are instructed to take grammatical errors into consideration when scoring your interview. Have as many people proof read your resume as possible. The required resume format has been included on the next page.

Platform:

The Miss Louisa County Fair Scholarship Pageant encourages the young women who participate in the program to become involved in their communities and to speak out on issues of concern to them, their community and the nation. If selected the winner of this competition, what Issue/Platform would you choose to focus on during your reign?

Questions:

Please do not hesitate to contact the director with questions or if you are in need of assistance. We want this to be an enjoyable experience and we are happy to assist.

(Your application must be TYPED. Please complete all fields in 12 point font. Please do not use bold. All responses must be limited to this page. Additional pages will not be judged.)

NAME:

TITLE:

DATE OF BIRTH:

AGE (as of date of local pageant):

HOMETOWN:

EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOL:

YEAR:

COLLEGE:

YEAR:

DEGREE:

SCHOLASTIC AND CAREER AMBITIONS:

SCHOLASTIC HONORS:

LEADERSHIP ROLES:

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

INTERESTING FACTS:

EMPLOYMENT:

PLATFORM TITLE: _____
(Please describe your platform and explain why it is important both to you and to society.)