

**Preparation Information for Miss BHV and Miss BHVOT Competitions**

Welcome girls! I am so excited you are here and look forward to getting to know each and every one of you! You have officially become part of history competing for Miss Blackhawk Valley and Miss Blackhawk Valley’s Outstanding Teen!

**Schedule and Important Dates**

Paperwork due As Soon As Possible

Miss Spot Fund Due (not required) TBA

Miss BHV and Miss BHVOT Competition November 14th, 2021

**Opening Number MISS and TEEN:**

TBD

**Dress Rehearsal and Competition Day:**

Interviews will be the morning of Sunday November 14th at the Butterworth Center.

Candidate order and time for interview will be determined at a later date.

Rehearsal for competition will be completed the day of. Please be prepared for a busy day. Snacks and lunch will be provided to the candidates. Following interviews, the candidates will make their way over to the Spotlight Theater to begin prepping for stage competition. The final interview will conclude at TBD and all candidates should be settled in and ready for rehearsal at the Spotlight Theater by TBA.

Pageant will be held at The Spotlight Theater, time TBA.

**Membership Fee and Registration Fee:**

Please use the link shared here to pay a mandatory annual $35 membership fee (teen and miss). After carefully selecting whether you are a Miss or Teen candidate and pay the membership fee, a packet of information will be sent to you by Miss Illinois. In that paperwork, you will find additional information on registering for available local competitions. Miss candidates are then required to pay a $75 registration fee per local they wish to compete at. Teens will use a “coupon code” as they are not required to pay the $75 per local, provided in the letter from Miss Illinois.

<https://shop.missamerica.org/products/miss-america-competition-membership-yearly-subscription?_pos=2&_sid=d1cee15b1&_ss=r>

**Paperwork:**

The following should be submitted **as soon as possible** to [missblackhawkvalley@gmail.com](mailto:missblackhawkvalley@gmail.com) unless specified on the form.

All are found on our webpage, missblackhawkvalley.com under “Become a Candidate.”

* Register with MAO & pay the $35 membership fee and $75 registration fee per local (Teen uses coupon code)
* Miss/ Teen Candidate Application Form <https://form.jotform.com/212407020528141>
* Miss/ Teen production script (email to [kodikargl@gmail.com](mailto:kodikargl@gmail.com) and [missblackhawkvalley@gmail.com](mailto:missblackhawkvalley@gmail.com))
* Miss community service scholarship application (if completing, not mandatory)
* Miss/ Teen candidate photo (email to [kodikargl@gmail.com](mailto:kodikargl@gmail.com) and missblackhawkvalley@gmail.com) (see below for more information)
* Miss/ Teen Notarized contract
* Miss contract submission form with all attachments necessary (found online via missillinois.org and linked on our website) including the State Scholarship Rules and Regulation form
* Teen sponsor form
* Miss/ Teen Resume
* Miss/ Teen Social Impact Initiative Statement Essay
* Miss/ Teen Music for talent selection, if desired, should be emailed to missblackhawkvalley@gmail.com **as soon as possible** via MP3 digital format

Schools should send official college or high school transcript by **TBD.** Remember, these more than likely will need to be ordered and are **required for the contract and Miss Community Service application**.

**Spotfund Fundraising Requirements:**

**MISS:** You MUST register for an account at <http://spot.fund/missamerica2022>

**TEEN:** You MUST register for an account at <http://spot.fund/maoteen2022>

No minimum is required, but participation is highly encouraged, and everyone must create an account\*\*

All money raised is used “in house” for Miss America scholarships. Please use the correct link when creating an account as Miss and Teen have separate links to register.

**Cell Phones and Electronic Devices:**

Candidates will not be allowed to use cell phones, tablets, or other electronic devices in the dressing room. This is in compliance with Miss Illinois rules.

**Candidate Photo:**

Submit a vertical, color headshot as a .jpg file and missblackhawkvalley@gmail.com

The photo will be used in various capacities including the judge’s books and on social media. The Photo should be submitted **as soon as possible.**

Photo guidelines: These are following the Miss Illinois and Miss America requirements.

* Plain background, light-colored is preferred
* Full head and face must be shown looking forward
* Do not crop hair or any portion of face out of the photo
* The photo must be vertical and a 5X7 size.

**Miss/Teen Contract Submission Form Documents**

This can be found on our website, which will directly take you to the Miss Illinois website where all forms and contract will be completed and submitted. The contract is also linked on our website.

Please attach required documents to prove eligibility based on residence, student status, or employment. These are part of the candidate contract that should be submitted together.

• Contract

• Birth Certificate

• Driver's License or Government Issued ID

• Front of Medical Insurance Card

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• Proof of Residence

• Official College Transcript (not a copy)

• Official Transcript of College Registration for Current Classes

• Copy of College Degree

• Official Graduate School Transcript

• Official Transcript of Graduate School Registration for Current Classes

• Copy of Graduate School Degree

• Employer W-2 Form

• Income Tax Filing

**Fundraiser:**

TBA

It will be required that each candidate bring a raffle basket to be raffled off the night of competition.

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Please contact us if you have any questions!!

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