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Tennessee Festival

State Finals











Welcome to the Miss Tennessee Festival Pageant family! You have the opportunity to represent your hometown with other girls, boys, babies, young women, teen, miss & Mrs. Contestants from all over Tennessee. Plus have the opportunity to be on the National stage at AmeriFest U.S. National pageant July 28-30 in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.. We're so excited and proud of our Tennessee royalty and all of their accomplishments. Nationals 2016 was an amazing year for Tennessee royalty! Our Tennessee girls racked up at nationals this past summer. We can't wait to see what 2017 holds. As our preliminary pageants grow and the "It's More Than Just" pageant approach is embraced, we urge you to join our festival family. Tennessee Festivals takes a positive, family, and faith based approach to pageantry very seriously. You will see the festival contestants and families bond and pull together throughout the year and beyond to help in their communities, to make a real difference. The state theme this year is "A Royal Fairytale" with Cinderella and friends, who doesn't love a Disney Princess!! As you look through this packet with your family, please remember we are here for you! There are no "silly" or "crazy" questions—we're happy to help as you plan your weekend with us. Call us, email, text, or facebook—we're here for you! Also remember you can enter the state finals for FREE (details Inside). Don't miss the opportunity to become part of a true pageant FAMILY with AmeriFest and represent your local community or festival/fair pageant and win some fantastic crowns and prizes, and learn why our motto is "It's More Than Just" tm—It's more than a crown, or a title, it's about giving back and doing good for your community WITH your titles! Also look for details inside about our Humanitarian award, scholastic awards, and A.L.I.C.E. service award opportunities to qualify for Nationals automatically. Also our Ambassador sponsorship award will automatically qualify for Nationals. There are so many friends and memories to be made. We absolutely can't wait to meet you and your family in April. Remember if you plan to stay at our host hotel, please call and book with them ASAP and mention Tennessee Festival Pageant for discount, if you have problems booking please let us know.

Best Wishes & Hope To See You Soon, Dianne Turner Tennessee Festival Pageant Hssociation AmeriFest US National Pageants

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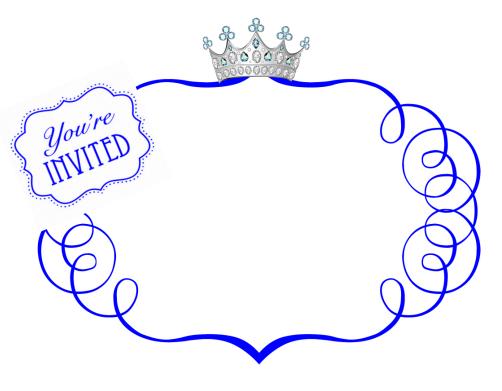




FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- Attire for State Finals: ANY store bought pageant dress is appropriate, flower girl type dresses are ok for girls 0-7 years. Floor length dresses should be worn on 8 and older (but normally 4 and older wear long). We strongly suggest dresses to not be custom made, this is not a high glitz pageant. Boys may wear Sunday Dressy best, suit, or tuxedo. It's suggested to keep accessories to a minimum so the girls beauty shows through and not a distraction. Shoes should not be visible when wearing a long dress. It is suggested that babies wearing short dresses have a diaper cover, socks, and white shoes. Dresses can have stones and be glamorous. As always, if you have questions text 859 625 8490. All contestants need to order a pageant T-Shirt that will be worn with ANY black bottom for the opening parade of contestants / introduction. Ages 9 and older will have a little interview with the judges based on their entry form bio. They will wear their state t—shirt & any black bottom for this interview. Optional Outfit of Choice / Top Model is your choice of anything black, white, or black and white. This is a separate title and scores are not tallied in with the evening gown scores for queen or supreme titles. Younger contestants can be walked out by a parent during the opening parade of contestants... this is not judged, it's first impression.
- Contestants will represent the first title they win, unless prior arrangements have been made with the local or state director.
- If you choose to not attend state finals, the opportunity will be offered to the next highest score contestant.
- Contestants will compete at state as of their age on April 22, 2017 at the state level. Please have a birth certificate copy with you (do not turn in to us) just in case questions arise.
- Teen and Miss Contestants should have never been married or have children.
- MS contestants may be with or without children ages 24 + and be unmarried. MRS contestants may be married with or without children and any age 22 -38. Tennessee's Woman division is Mrs or MS ages 39—55 years. Modern Woman is dress size 14 & up ages 24 and older. If we have enough interest we will add a Modern Miss division for ages 16-23 dress size 14 & up.
- State winners of queen, princess, or duchess as well as ALL supreme titles, humanitarian, A.L.I.C.E., scholastic, cover model, centerfold, and theme photo winners and ambassadors will qualify for AmeriFest U.S. Nationals (also king, prince, and duke). Nationals are July 28-30, 2017 at the Sevierville Convention Center.
- State Deadline for entry will be April 1, 2017 postmark. If you need an extension you may request through email only.
- State host hotel and pageant location is the Holiday Inn Cedar Bluff in Knoxville Tennessee—Group rate will be given when asking for the Tennessee Festival discount for your stay. (865) 693-1011 9134 Executive Park Drive, Knoxville, TN.
- All contestants must be natural born females (excluding boys divisions birth—11 years)
- All photos for preliminaries and state level should not be Glitz—touched up photos. E.G. eyelashes added, teeth added, etc. This is a natural pageant! Photos may be color or black and white and no larger than 8x10. Minor editing is permitted for lighting and qualify of photos. Must NOT have frames. MUST include contestant name and age on the back of each photo. It is required that **EVERY** contestant submit a photo for the program book contestant page. All photos must be mailed, NO emailed photos will be accepted. Photos will be returned at the pageant. Age division photogenic photos may be brought to the pageant—**We only need mailed**: contestant photo, and any photo contests you are participating in, such as centerfold, cover, theme, etc. Photo supreme will be offered at the door.
- NO checks will be accepted after the deadline. Money order, cash, or credit card only.
- State applications must be postmarked by April 1, 2017 (AmeriFest PO Box 1174 Richmond, KY 40476)
- At no time are refunds granted—we order gifts, crowns, and trophies based on entries received.
- All scoresheets are returned after the pageant—judges decisions are final and shall be respected
- All tabulation of scores will be by computer and occur on site in the actual ballroom of competition.
- State <u>Grand Supreme</u> winners must set out of the festival circuit for one year—or until they reach the next age level of competition. All other winners or supremes are eligible to recomplete next year for Miss Tennessee Festivals State Finals. All winners, supremes, ambassadors, humanitarian, photo contest winners, scholars, and charity winners will advance to Nationals in July.
- All contestants must reside, attend school, or own property in the state of Tennessee to be eligible to compete.
- All entry forms are due by the deadline date unless prior arrangements for an extension has been made.
- Tennessee Festival Pageants and AmeriFest LLC are NOT responsible for injuries, lost, stolen, misplaced items at the pageant, traveling to or from the pageant.
- All photos submitted for photo contests, web content, or program books must have consent of photographer and copyright release. (you do not have to send the release) This is your responsibility to obtain the copyright release for any and all photos submitted to Tennessee Festival Pageants, by submitting the photo you agree that you have permission to use the photos.

Last but not least we are NOT a glitz pageant. We look for the girl next door beauty. You can have light make up on younger girls to age 12 and heavier makeup on Teen & up. No fake eyelashes, fake hair, or fake teeth under age 13. Any acrylic nails should be kept short and natural. All gowns may have rhinestone, sequins, pearls, or embellishments but suggested to not be high glitz custom made. This can result in a point deduction on your attire score. If you are unsure of anything please text 859 625 8490— Spray Tans are permitted on 13 and older when kept natural looking. Pre-teen and younger



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