

QUEEN CONTESTANT CHECK SHEET

*Application filled out completely and returned to Extension Office by Friday June 15, 2018 at 4:30pm.

*Photo shot (head and shoulders)

*Permission Slip signed (if under 18)

*Sponsorship fee of \$65

WHAT TO BRING TO CONTEST MONDAY JULY 16, 2018

*Itinerary

*Make-up and Hair Products (bobby pins, safety pins, deodorant, hair spray, curling iron or flat iron, etc)

*Outfits and Different Shoes if desired

1. Business type clothes
2. Introduction outfit
3. Casual wear
4. Formal wear

Smile, have fun, and make memories!

VAN BUREN COUNTY FAIR QUEEN CONTEST

Age Requirements

Contestants must be between 16 and 21 years of age and follow the Iowa State Fair guidelines.

Application and Photo (head and shoulder shot)

This is due with your sponsorship **fee and permission form by 4:30 pm, Friday June 8th, 2018, to the Van Buren Co. Extension Office.** Your photo will be in the county newspaper a week prior to the contest. THIS DATE IS IN ORDER TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEWSPAPER.

SPONSORSHIP FEES

You will be responsible for finding a sponsor for the event. There is a sponsorship fee of **\$65, made payable to the Van Buren County Fair Board.** If you have trouble coming up with sponsor please let us know as soon as possible. You will be given a sash to be worn during the contest.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE CONTEST MONDAY, JULY 16, 2018

An approximate itinerary is included with this document. The times are subject to change dependent upon the number of entrants received for the contest. You will start out the day in business-type attire for interviews. After interviews, rehearsal will be conducted on stage where you may change into something comfortable. We will then break for lunch. You will have some down time before dinner so you can leave but must be back by 3:30pm or you can stay and get ready or come help the Junior Miss Contestants, set up or relax! After dinner, you will change into a nice street dress, skirt or slacks with a nice blouse for your first on-stage entrance in which you are introduced. At that time, you will change into a casual wear outfit. This will be nice pants such as khakis and a nice blouse. **NO BLUE JEANS OR TENNIS SHOES.** We will tell the audience a little about you, taken from your application. You will then change into an evening dress and the outfit you will be in the remainder of the contest. This is your dress that you will answer an impromptu question.

JUDGING

You will be judged on your interview, congeniality, poise, grace, beauty, contribution to the community and school, as well as your leadership qualities and overall appearance. The new fair queen will be expected to represent Van Buren County in Des Moines at the Iowa State Fair in August.

WINNER'S PACKAGES

The Queen will receive \$100, earrings and a gift bag. First Runner Up will receive \$60 and a gift bag. Second Runner UP will receive \$40 and a gift bag. The 2018 Queen will also be required to attend selected Van Buren County Fair events and community parades as well as events during the year of their reign.

Please feel free to contact us for more information or questions. Heather Mercer 641-919-0566 or email me at keokidz4care@mail.com. Tiffany Warner 641-919-1568

Van Buren County Fair Queen Contest

Rules & Regulations

1. Contest will be held in conjunction with the Van Buren County Junior Miss contest on Monday, July 16 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Roberts Memorial Building, Keosauqua. Interviews will be held on Monday, July 16, 2018 in the afternoon. Each contestant will have a 10 minute interview with the judges.
2. Queen contestants must pre-register at the Van Buren County Extension Office. Entry fee is \$65 and must accompany the entry form along with a head and shoulders photo. **Deadline is 4:30 pm June 8th, 2018.** A permission slip **MUST** be signed by parent or guardian if the contestant is under the age of 18.
3. Judging will be based on poise, personality, overall presentation, leadership qualities, community involvement and response to questions.
4. Any contestant who has performed or competed at a professional level (for monetary gain) in anything other than amateur contestant will be considered ineligible
5. All contestants must be a resident of Van Buren County or an adjacent county with the majority of activities in Van Buren County for at least 1 year.
6. Contestants must be between 16 and 21 and follow the Iowa State Fair guidelines. A copy of the Iowa State Fair guidelines is attached.
7. Parents are **NOT** allowed in the interview room or the backstage area during the contest. Assigned staff will assist contestants if needed.
8. Hair dressers will be allowed in the backroom to help the ladies between the various sections of the contest. Space is limited.
9. There will be an on stage presentation and contestants will be asked an impromptu question during the formal wear portion.
10. Winner will need to be available to help hand out ribbons at assigned shows during the 2018 Van Buren County Fair as well as appearing at all fair events.
11. Winner will also need to be available for community events and parades throughout Van Buren County during the 2018-2019 year of service.
12. Winner may make additional appearances not on the list provided as long as it is approved **BEFORE** the appearance is done.
13. Queen must adhere to all the rules and regulations set forth by the Iowa State Fair Board and represent Van Buren County at the 2018 Iowa State Fair in August.
14. Any disagreements about final decisions will be grounds for immediate disqualification. Judges decisions are final.

For more information call Heather Mercer 641-919-0566 (keokidz4care@mail.com) or Tiffany Warner 641-919-1568

2018 VAN BUREN COUNTY FAIR QUEEN CONTEST

JULY 16, 2018

PERMISSION FORM

HAS MY PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2018 VAN BUREN COUNTY FAIR QUEEN CONTEST.

PARENT/GUARDIAN

DATE

**NAMES AND PHOTOS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN
THE VAN BUREN COUNTY REGISTER
THE WEEK BEFORE THE CONTEST.**

QUEEN CONTEST TENTATIVE ITINERARY

12:30-1:30 P.M.

Interviews will be conducted at the Roberts Memorial Center. A nice business-type outfit is strongly recommended. (No open-toed shoes).

1:30-2:00 P.M.

Rehearsal will be conducted on stage. You may change into something more comfortable.

4:00-5:00P.M.

Dinner will be provided by the Van Buren County Fair Board and will be catered into the Roberts Center.

5:00 P.M.

We will begin prep time for the contest.

6:30P.M.

Junior Miss contest begins.

7:00P.M.

Queen contest begins.

*Introduce yourself + sponsor in a nice street dress, skirt or slacks with a nice blouse. This can be your interview outfit.

*Casual wear modeling and we'll read information from your application

*Impromptu question in your evening wear

*Crowning of the 2018 Van Buren County Fair Queen by 2017 Queen Mackenzie Winslow

*Photo shoots on the stage by local media

OUTFITS NEEDED

1. **Business type** clothes for interview. It can be a skirt or slacks with a jacket, no open toe shoes, etc.
2. **Introduction outfit** –Nice dress, slacks or skirt with a blouse. Nothing formal. It can be your interview outfit if you wish.
3. **Casual wear**–This would be what some would refer to as business casual. Khakis or colored pants, skirt, shorts (appropriate length) or Capri's. Nice shirts such as pull over, polo or button down. No t-shirts, no blue jeans and no jean shorts.
4. **Formal wear**–A formal dress that is short or long. It **MUST** be age appropriate. If you don't have access to one, please let us know as soon as possible and we will find you one to borrow.

Hobbies & Interests:

Future Plans:

Why would you be the best representative for the Van Buren County Fair as the Queen?

Be sure to be neat. The judges will see this application

APPLICATIONS DUE

Friday June 8th 2018 by 4:30pm

Van Buren County Extension Office