

Marquette County Jr. Fairest of the Fair Competition & Application Procedures

Eligibility Requirements

- Anyone between the ages of 12 and 17, as of January 1, 2021, is eligible to apply.
- A resident of Marquette County, (The only exception: Contestant may reside in an adjoining county if majority of fair and/or school activities are in Marquette County.)
- Have good public relations skills.

Application Procedure

Complete the application form and obligation agreement for the Jr Fairest of the Fair competition, parent release form, and emergency form, and drop it off or mail to:

Tonya Timme, Fairest Program Director
N2280 County Road CX
Endeavor, WI 53930

Application Deadline

All applications must be postmarked or returned no later than March 1st, 2020. The 2020 Jr. Fairest of the Fair will be expected to fulfill the role and be present during the Marquette County Fair July 9th through July 12th of 2020.

Areas of Competition

- Individual Interview
 - Each contestant will do a 10 minute interview with the judges. They will be asked a variety of questions about themselves, their personal goals and hobbies, their passion for agriculture, their involvement with the fair, and why they want to be the Jr Fairest of the Fair. No political or inappropriate questions will be asked.
- 30 Second Personal Introduction
 - This phase of the competition will be completed in front of the fair board members as well as the judges. Your 30 second personal introduction should be memorized, not read.
- 30 Second Radio Commercial
 - Your radio commercial can be written out before the competition. You will be able to read your radio commercial at the podium in front of the judges and the Fair Board. Your radio commercial should be fun and upbeat. There are no content requirements but you can talk about real events that happen at the fair and/or incorporate the fair's theme as well. Your goal is to get people excited about the fair.
- On Stage Interview
 - This portion of the competition will take place after you deliver your 30 second radio commercial. Each contestant will answer two questions. The first question will be provided before the competition. The second question will be impromptu. Each contestant will draw a card with a question written on it. You will read the

question out loud, take a few seconds to gather your thoughts, and deliver your answer. These questions may include, but are not limited to, what is your favorite event at the fair and why, what is your favorite fair food and why, or why do you want to be the Jr Fairest of the Fair.

Proper Dress and Attire

For the interviews and judged areas of competition, please wear business casual. This can include dress pants or a skirt with a nice blouse, or a nice dress and closed toed shoes.

Selection Procedure

Representatives of the Marquette County Fair "Fairest of the Fair" Committee will make the selection of the recipient based upon:

- Personality and Attitude
- Maturity and Professionalism
- Speaking Ability
- Poise and Appearance
- Involvement and Activities
- Overall Impression

Interviews and judging will be held on March 26th, 2020.

If you have any questions please contact:

Tonya Timme, Fairest Program Director, by email at dwt@maqs.net