



## 2020 Stephenson County Fair Junior Miss Pageant

\$250 Cash Prize for the 2020 Junior Miss

July 21, 2020 Rest & Entertainment Tent

Pageant Director: Cindi Mielke 815-238-7492

(Entry fees payable by check to *Stephenson County Fair Association*)  
Applications available at [www.stephensoncountyfair.org](http://www.stephensoncountyfair.org) or [info@stephensoncountyfair.org](mailto:info@stephensoncountyfair.org)

### **RULES/REQUIREMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM**

1. Contestants must be the ages of 11 - 15 years old by July 1, 2020.
2. Must be a U.S. Citizen. Contestant, Parent or Legal Guardian must currently be a resident of Stephenson County IL or the contestant is attending a Stephenson County school. Contestants from another county may compete if their county does not have a pageant for their age division or if approved by the Stephenson County Fair Board. A copy of your or your parent's/legal guardian's Illinois driver's license, Illinois ID card, or voter registration card will be requested for proof of residency.
3. Contestants are of good moral character. Have never performed any act or engaged in any activity that is or could be characterized as immoral or indecent: including but not limited to Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter pages.
4. Anyone holding a current title (having a crown and/or sash) will not be eligible to participate.
5. Contestants who are under the age of 18 must have parent's/legal guardian's written consent agreeing to the rules and exceptions. (See rehearsal schedule for additional details).
6. Each contestant will be personally interviewed on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 by the judges in church attire (skirt and blouse or nice dress-no slacks).
7. Each contestant will appear on stage in a floor length gown with shoes of her choice.
8. All clothing must be approved by the Pageant Director by a specific date. A picture will be taken for documentation.
9. Rehearsals will be on Sunday afternoons from 4 pm to about 6 pm and you will be sent a schedule via email once your registration form is received. Rehearsals are subject to change so please be sure to attend each practice. We understand that summer vacations may happen but it is also very important to be committed to the pageant. All absences will be looked at by the judges and if unexcused or excessive there may be a deduction in your score. See rehearsal schedule for details on what is excused and what is unexcused.
10. Contestants will be judged as follows: Personal Interviews (35%) Crown Bowl Questions (25%) and stage presence in floor-length gown (25%), and prepared question topic/speech (15%).
11. It is prohibited for the 2020 Stephenson County Fair Junior Miss to participate in any other scholarship or beauty pageants during her reign. If she chooses to do so she will be required to give up her title and all that goes with it (tiara, sash, pin, all gifts and cash prize) to the next eligible Runner-up. This will disqualify her from competing in the Stephenson County Fair Junior Miss Pageant in the future.
12. The newly selected Junior Miss will assist the newly crowned Queen as hostess of the Stephenson County Fair, July 21 - July 25, 2020. An itinerary of duties for the week of the Stephenson County Fair will be given to the Junior Miss by the pageant committee.
13. The newly crowned Junior Miss will abstain from public displays of affection toward her boyfriend(s) during fair week and at all appearances throughout the year.
14. The newly crowned Junior Miss agrees to participate in all functions becoming of a Junior Miss. This includes all parades, and other events which may arise during the year. Activities connected with the Stephenson County Fair should take precedence over and above all other personal appearances. All personal appearances as the Stephenson County Fair Junior Miss shall be approved in advance by the Pageant Director or Pageant Coordinator; as well as any photographic sessions and pictures released as the role of Stephenson County Fair Junior Miss.
15. The newly crowned Junior Miss will be chaperoned either by the Pageant Director, Pageant Coordinator, or a chaperone approved by the Director at any time she is representing the Stephenson County Fair.
16. Decisions of the judges are final. Any grievances or objections relative to the contest will be referred to the Pageant Committee or the Stephenson County Fair Board. Each judge will sign an affidavit stating that they do not know, are not related to, nor do they or have they ever coached any of the Junior Miss contestants competing this year.
17. Scores will not be given out to contestants after the pageant. If you would like feedback or have any questions, please contact the Pageant Director for details.
18. If there are not more than two (2) contestants in this category, a first runner up will not be announced.

**Contestant and Parent/Legal Guardian must sign the Acknowledgement Form on the next page**

## 2020 Stephenson County Fair Junior Miss Pageant (cont.)

I, \_\_\_\_\_(Printed Contestant Name), have read all of the above rules and agree to abide by them during all rehearsals and reign if crowned Junior Miss.

I, \_\_\_\_\_(Printed Parent/Legal Guardian Name if under 18 years of age) have read all of the above rules and agree that \_\_\_\_\_(Printed Contestant Name) will abide by them during all rehearsals and reign if crowned Queen. (If contestant is under the age of 18 years old)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contestant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian Signature  
(If contestant is under the age of 18 years old)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please complete the **Registration Form** found on the website ([www.stephensoncountyfair.org](http://www.stephensoncountyfair.org)) and **mail with this form and \$50 entry fee to the Fair Office** by the deadline below and keep a copy for your records. Mail to:

Stephenson County Fair Association  
Miss Registration  
2250 S. Walnut Rd.  
Freeport, IL 61032

**The Deadline for Registration is Sunday, June 12, 2020 (first rehearsal)**  
Contact Cindi Mielke at 815-238-7492 or [cindi.mielke@yahoo.com](mailto:cindi.mielke@yahoo.com)