

Dear Warrior, Jr. Brave, Little Brave, Miss Stillwater, Jr. Miss Stillwater and Little Miss Stillwater Contestants,

Thank you for your interest in the Warrior/Jr. Brave/Little Brave and Miss Stillwater/ Jr. Miss/Little Miss Stillwater princess contest. This year the Stillwater Pow Wow will be held October 6th through October 8th. As a contestant for the title of Warrior/Jr. Brave/Little Brave and Miss/Jr. Miss/Little Miss Stillwater, each contestant will represent the Stillwater Pow Wow, their family, tribe(s) and community. The crowned winners will represent the Stillwater Pow Wow, and the sponsoring organization for two years.

Contestants should be an example of a young Native American role model being respectful, with good character and an upstanding member in the community. As a representative and ambassador of the Stillwater Pow Wow it is very important for contestants to maintain certain moral standards for themselves, now and in the future. It is mandatory that contestants conduct themselves above and beyond. This includes, but is not limited to, being drug and alcohol free. You are encouraged to participate in other Pow Wows and community events to represent the Stillwater Pow Wow for two years.

We would like to encourage all young Natives between the ages of 7-20 who are outgoing and ambitious to participate. This is a great opportunity to get involved and to honor your community, family and the Stillwater Pow Wow.

These are the Four (4) components of this year's contest:

- 1. Personal Interview, among three judges
- 2. *Dance demonstration,* this is your chance to showcase your dance style.
- 3. *Cultural Talent,* this is your chance to present your involvement with your culture. (i.e. beadwork, singing, drumming, basket weaving, etc.)
- 4. *Raffle ticket sales*, it is important to be well spoken and ambitious.

All four (4) components will be scored equally to determine the outcome of the title Warrior/Jr. Brave/Little Brave and Miss/Jr. Miss/Little Miss Stillwater for 2023-2025. This is a two-year term. You will also need to attend the Elders Honoring and Princess dinner <u>on Thursday, October 5, 2023 at 5:45 pm at the Win-River Resort & Casino Event Center</u>. This is where all the judging will take place, not at the Pow Wow.

You may sign up from now until Monday, September 4, 2023.

As an incentive to all contestants who participate in the Warrior/Jr. Brave/Little Brave and Miss/Jr. Miss/Little Miss Stillwater Contest, we will be offering each contestant 10% of the raffle tickets sales you generate. So the more you sell the more you get back. The Stillwater Pow Wow Committee understands the work you will be putting in promoting the Stillwater Pow Wow, we want to honor your commitment and hard work. Contest winners will receive the honor of representing the Stillwater Pow Wow for two (2) full years.

I look forward to meeting you and working with all the contestants throughout the year. Good luck to all. If you have any questions, please give me a call at (530) 225-8979 ext. 1111

Respectfully,

Louise Davis

Louise Davis, Stillwater Pow Wow Committee Member

Contestant Rules Warrior/Jr. Brave/Little Brave and Miss Stillwater, Jr. Miss Stillwater and Little Miss Stillwater 2023/2025 October 6th through October 8th, 2023

- 1. Most importantly, you are representing yourself, your family, your tribe(s), your community, the Stillwater Pow-Wow, and the Redding Rancheria. Treat all of them with respect.
- 2. It would not be in your best interest to conduct yourself in any way that would have an adverse effect on yourself, your family, your tribe(s), the Stillwater Pow-Wow and the Redding Rancheria.
- 3. <u>ATTENTION:</u> It is very important for you, as a contestant and an individual to maintain a high level of moral standards for yourself, now and in the future. It is mandatory that you and your fellow contestants conduct yourselves above and beyond reproach. Examples of unacceptable behavior include the use of alcohol, drugs, smoking in public, profane language and/or outburst of any kind. Any inappropriate photographs/videos depicting any of the above activities on any website such as but not limited to Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, TikTok, etc. will result in disqualification from the contest. This type of behavior will not be tolerated. Any infringement of these moral standards will result in disqualification as a contestant and/or revoking of the title.
- 4. You must have a good attitude about yourself before, during, and after the contest. You will be required to respect, cooperate, and participate with fellow contestants, the Stillwater Pow Wow Committee, judges and general public.
- 5. You must be able to attend the Elders Honoring and Princess Dinner on Thursday, October 6th at 5:45 pm. This is where the judging will take place.
- 6. You must check in with Louise Davis at the Registration table on Friday, October 6th at 6:30pm, and Saturday, October 7th at 11:00 am and 6:00 pm. **Please remember to get your dancer registration number.**
- You are solely responsible for all raffle tickets assigned to you. You must turn in any unsold tickets and the money you raised no later than Thursday, September 30th. If you lose raffle tickets or do not turn them in you will be required to pay for them.
- 8. Once your tickets and money are accounted for, you will be encouraged to obtain additional tickets to sell from Thursday, September 30th until Saturday, October 2nd at the Pow-wow and tickets, ticket tracking form(s) and money must be turned in no later than <u>3:00pm Saturday</u>.
- 9. You are responsible for your personal belongings at all times. The Stillwater Pow Wow Committee, the Redding Rancheria, Sponsors of the Pow Wow and Win-River Casino are not responsible for contestants' personal belongings, loss of articles, theft, or injury.
- 10. You shall be between the ages of 7-20, unmarried and no children.
- 11. You will be required to attend all grand entries and closing ceremonies once you are crowned.

I hereby agree and promise to abide by the above Code of Conduct/General Guidelines as a contestant of the Warrior/Jr. Brave/Little Brave and Miss Stillwater/ Jr. Miss Stillwater/Little Miss Stillwater Princess Contest. I understand that I may be disqualified as a contestant of the Princess Contest if I deviate from any of the conditions outlined above.

Contestant Signature:	Date:
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:

(If under 18, Parent/Guardian signature needed) Attention: Louise Davis – 2000 Redding Rancheria Rd. Redding, CA 960001 (530)225-8979 ext. 1111



Warrior/Jr. Brave/Little Brave and Miss Stillwater, Jr. Miss Stillwater, Little Miss Stillwater

Application

2023-2025

Name:
Address:
City/State/Zip:
Phone Number(s): ()
Tribal Affiliation(s):
Parent/Guardian(s):

Contestants 7-17 years of age must have a parent or guardian signature.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR PRINCESS/WARRIOR, DANCE CATEGORY AND YOUR CULTURAL TALENT:

CATEGORY:	DANCE CATEGORY:	CULTURAL TALENT:
Warrior/Miss Stillwater (ages: 16-20)	Jingle/Grass	Bead work:
Jr. Brave/Jr. Miss Stillwater (ages: 12-15)	Fancy Shawl/Fancy	Basket weaving:
Little Brave/Little Miss Stillwater (ages: 7-11)	Traditional	Other:
	Singing/D	rumming/Traditional Dancing

Please write a brief summary about yourself and why you are running for the title of Miss/Jr. Miss/ Little Miss Stillwater Princess and Warrior/Jr. Brave/ Little Brave. (For additional space, please write on the back of this sheet)