

## **The 2024 Woodbury County Fair Queen Contest**

Dear Contestant,

Thank you for your interest in the 2024 Woodbury County Fair Queen Contest. The enclosed information will provide you with a general understanding of the qualifications and expectations of contestants, as well as specific details about the event.

Being selected as part of the Woodbury County Fair Royalty should be considered a privilege and an honor. It is a serious commitment of time, not only the week of the fair, but throughout your year long reign at various special events and parades.

### ***Qualifications***

Each contestant must be female and at least 16 years of age and not more than 21 years of age on August 8, 2024 the first day of the 2024 Iowa State Fair.

The contestant must never have been married nor have children.

Contestants must be a resident of Iowa. Entrants must reside in Woodbury County or an adjoining county if the majority of her activities are in the county she represents.

Each contestant must be an active member of at least one worthwhile organization in her community, such as 4-H, church group, Girl Scouts, FFA, etc.

No professional model is eligible for the Queen Contest.

Queen contestants should be available to represent the fair at all activities designated by the fair board and the board must approve anything endorsed by the queen.

The Fair Queen superintendents reserve the right to change the foregoing rules and regulations at any time deemed expedient.

Queen contestants will be judged on personality, poise, attitude, and leadership in the community.

If the queen or princess fails to effectively represent the Woodbury County Fair, she will be asked to return all prizes won and relinquish her title.

### ***Expectations***

The Queen must be able to represent Woodbury County at the Iowa State Fair Contest August 8<sup>th</sup> through August 18, 2024. The crowning ceremony will take place on Saturday, August 10, 2024 at the Iowa State Fairgrounds in Des Moines. This includes completing an additional application and two (2) 8 x 10 black and white photos.

Royalty must attend required activities throughout the week of the Woodbury County Fair. This will include handing out ribbons at livestock events, being introduced nightly at the grandstand events, and various other appearances.

Royalty must attend several parades throughout the county during the summer of 2025 and any other

appearances deemed necessary by the Fair Board or Superintendents.

The Queen must be available to assist with the 2025 Preliminary Judging.

All Royalty must be present at the 2025 Woodbury County Fair Queen & King Contest.

### ***Application***

The attached application must be fully completed. Additional pages can be added as necessary. A wallet size photo or snapshot should be included with the application. This photo will be used in local newspapers and publications and will not be returned. A head and shoulders photo is preferred. The application must be postmarked by **June 25, 2024** and should be sent to:

Amy McFarland  
Queen Contest  
PO Box 83  
Anthon, IA 51004

### ***Judging***

Contestants should plan to arrive at the preliminary judging at the Anthon Events Center (110 N 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, Anthon, Iowa 51004) at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>. Rooms will be available for you to change into your formalwear. Formalwear judging will begin promptly at 11:30 a.m. Individual interviews will be conducted in your formal attire. Once individual interviews are completed, contestants will change into a casual outfit. Your casual outfit should reflect your personality (no swimsuits please). Snacks will be provided and the afternoon judging should conclude at approximately 3:00 p.m.

Contestants will be judged on the following:

Application

Completeness, neat, and free of grammatical errors

Essay Question

Appearance

Appropriateness of clothing selected

Well-groomed appearance

Personality and Poise

Interview

Group Discussion

Individual

Leadership and Community Service Activities

Final Night of Judging at the County Fair

### ***Final Judging at Fair***

Contestants should be at Flather's Hall for rehearsal at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 31, 2024. You should be dressed in your formalwear and ready to line up by 6:30 p.m.

***Scholarship Money***

The winner of the Queen contest will receive a \$1,000 scholarship, each Princess a \$500 scholarship, and Miss Congeniality a \$250 scholarship. This money will be awarded after you have completed the first part of your responsibilities as a member of the Woodbury County Fair Royalty AND completed your first semester college. The fair board will have the final decision as to the validity of the college.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the superintendent:

Amy McFarland (801) 205-8442

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, July 10th, 2024. Good Luck!

## Woodbury County Fair Queen Application

Completed applications must be postmarked by **June 25, 2024**. No late applications will be accepted. Please make sure to fully complete the forms and add additional pages as necessary.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

### EDUCATION:

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College - (current or planned) \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

### ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS:

1.) Please list extracurricular activities, honors, and awards:

2.) Please list and briefly describe your community, school, church or civic involvements:

3.) Describe your hobbies or interests:

4.) Describe your future plans or career goals:

\*\*\*Using a separate sheet, in 250 words or less, describe why you should be selected as the 2024 Woodbury County Fair Queen.\*\*\*

Falsification of the above information will result in disqualification.

I have read the qualification requirements and expectations as outlined in the attached letter and wish to be considered an applicant.

Furthermore, I agree that if chosen as a member of the Woodbury County Fair Royalty, I will abide by my school's Good Conduct Policy. Any violation of that Policy, or conviction of a misdemeanor or felony will result in the forfeiture of my duties, title, and any scholarship funds. The Fair Board will have the final say in any decisions regarding this manner.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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