



BROWN COUNTY YOUTH FAIR ASSOCIATION
2018 JUNIOR MISS
GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS & POLICY

Deadline: Nov. 1st 7pm Entry sign up night at the Home Ec building. No late entries will be accepted! The entries will be reviewed by the Queen's Committee and the top candidates chosen by the queen's committee will be selected to advance to the Queen's tea and runway show.

1. All contestants must be a current resident of Brown County or enrolled in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade at home school, private school, or public school for the current year in Brown County. An informational meeting will be held October 26th at 7pm at the Home Ec. Building on the fair grounds. There will be an opportunity to ask any questions and discuss the rules.
2. Contestants must be current and active members of 4-H or FFA and eligible under UIL Rules.
3. Any person winning the BCYFA Junior Miss title will not be eligible to enter the Junior Miss contest again.
4. Contestants are to be in good health. Good health is defined as adequate health to fulfill duties of Junior Miss, if selected. Each contestant will not hold the Brown County Youth Fair and Rodeo Association, County of Brown, or any individual or organization associated with the Brown County Fair Association liable for any accident or injury that may or might occur as a result of the contest or future obligations. Release form must be signed and submitted with entry forms.
5. Each contestant selected to advance to the Queen's tea and runway show may have a sponsor(s), and each entry fee will be **\$200.00**, payable to the Brown County Fair Association. Entry form is due on November 1st, 2017. Any contestants not chosen to advance are encouraged to participate again the next year.
6. Junior Miss contestants are required to write a **short autobiography** to turn in with the entry forms. It may be typed or handwritten and must be no more than one page in length. If typed, the print must be no smaller than 12 point. It should have at least 1 ½ spaces between the lines with one inch margins all around. The paper should contain information about you that you think best describes your character and why you want to be (or would be a good) Junior Miss.
7. Junior Miss contestants are required to turn in an additional 75 word on stage introduction and description of outfit that will be used by the EMCEE during the on stage presentation at the fashion show. Anything that exceeds 75 words will be at the discretion of the royalty committee to remove words. Please use 3rd person narration and the contestant's name. The contestant's sponsor, grade, school, and fair participation must be included. Additional information can include, but is not limited to, hobbies, extracurricular activities, community involvement, and school involvement.
8. Junior Miss contestant must provide a written reference letter from her home room teacher with their entry form.

9. The Junior Miss contestant must prepare a short speech about herself to present at the November 1st meeting. This may include family, hobbies, school, and fair participation.

10. The top contestants selected by the Queen's committee from the application process and November 1st meeting will be invited to a **MANDATORY Queen's Tea meeting on Sunday, December 10th time to be announced located at the Brownwood Country Club or location specified by the Queen's Committee. At this time the Junior Miss will be required to give a short speech about herself and answer questions from a panel of judges.** Publicity photos will be taken with no exceptions.

11. Permission is hereby granted to the BCYFA to use photographs and information submitted for the contest in news stories or other publicity in advance of the contest. Pictures may be altered for reproduction purposes only.

12. Eligibility Master Listing will be used this year at the Fair for UIL requirements.

We advise that you contact your public school to ensure you have been placed on the eligible or the ineligible list. Home School and Private School students will still need to furnish an eligibility form to the Queen's committee in order to participate in this contest.

13. A mandatory fashion show practice will be **Monday January 8th, 2018 8:00 am-9:30 am**. Contestant: Fair Princess, Fair Queen, Junior Miss runway show will be held on **Tuesday, January 9, 2019 6:30 pm at the Home Ec Building on the fair grounds**. Scoring at the contest will be by a panel of out of county judges. Judges will not be related to any contestant and no contestant will be allowed to give judges any sort of gift prior to or during the contest.

14. Scoring will be as follows:

First Cut Based on paperwork and initial meeting with the Queen's Committee

Initial Review	Points
<i>Essay</i>	15
<i>Fair Involvement</i>	10
<i>Community Involvement</i>	5
<i>School Involvement</i>	10
<i>Speaking Presentation</i>	10
Total Points	<u>50</u>

Queen's Tea

<i>Interview</i>	20
<i>Personal Appearance</i>	10
<i>Speaking Presentation</i>	20
Total Points	<u>50</u>

Runway Stage Presentation

<i>Poise and Posture</i>	25
<i>Stage Presence</i>	25
<i>Eye Contact</i>	25
<i>Personal Appearance</i>	25
Total Points	<u>100</u>

15. There will be no use of foul language and no involvement in any illegal or illicit activities while serving as Junior Miss or first runner-up. You will represent the youth fair during youth fair activities and non-youth fair activities from the time you are a contestant until the next Junior Miss is crowned.

16. The Fair Board and Queen's Committee have a **zero tolerance policy** in regards to drinking alcohol, MIP (minor in possession), smoking cigarettes, or any other drug abuse. If this rule is violated, it will result in immediate dismissal. Also, in the event a contestant in this contest has in her possession or violates the Controlled Substance Penal Code Act; she will be disqualified from this contest.

17. No financial reimbursement for transportation, expenses, etc. will be provided by the Brown County Fair Association, unless approved by the Board of Directors.

18. The Junior Miss and runners-up will be announced during the awards ceremony at the youth fair. Parents & friends may take pictures of the contestants **after** the Fair Photographer gets his/her pictures.

19. The Junior Miss is required to **wear her crown on a black felt cowboy hat.**

20. The Fair Princess, Junior Miss, and Fair Queen will be presented during the Grand Entry of each Rodeo Performance. Riding on horseback is preferred but participant may walk into the arena. Appearances during the rodeo week will be announced.

21. The contestants must attend all functions that are required by the Queen's Committee. Junior Miss is expected to participate in the Christmas parade, Brown County Youth Fair & Livestock Show, and Livestock Auction. You will receive an itinerary, with the events and times of all the events that you will be assisting in, from the Queen's Committee.

22. The contestant that is crowned Junior Miss of the Brown County Fair Association must be available to attend any public event or function as a representative of the Association during the year of her reign. In addition, the Junior Miss must crown the next year's Junior Miss. She must be available to decorate and ride on the float in any parades represented by Brown County Fair Association which may include the Christmas Parade. A points system will be kept for participation.

23. Permission is hereby granted to the Brown County Fair Association to use photographs and important information submitted in the contest in news stories in advance of the contest finals. Pictures may be altered for reproduction purposes only.

24. If the Junior Miss is unable to fulfill her duties, due to circumstances found to be objectionable by the Queen's Committee or Board of Directors of the Fair Association, she will forfeit the crown and all awards. The 1st Runner Up will finish her reign.

25. Brown County Fair Association Protest Procedures - All protests concerning Brown County Fair Royalty Entries must be submitted prior to judging. **Once judging has commenced NO protests will be accepted. The Judges decision is final and not subject for protest.** Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation. The protest will be reviewed by at least (5) members of the Fair Board or Queen's Committee. Any complaints regarding the Junior Miss during her reign must be provided in writing to the Queen's committee. The ruling of the Fair Board Directors or Queen's Committee will be final. Both sides of the protest must be present at the time of the protest. There will be no anonymous protests accepted. Every exhibitor, in consideration of her entry being accepted by the Brown County Fair Assn., agrees that the conclusion reached by the Fair Board Directors or Queen's Committee shall be final, without any recourse against the Brown County Fair Assn., Board of Directors, Division Chairman, Superintendent, or Committeemen.

26. **Remember, you are a Fair and Rodeo Representative.** You will be looked upon as a role model and an example to others. While the Queen's Committee or Fair Association have no right to ask you to give up any personal activities, they have every right to expect you to behave in a manner befitting your position. The Fair Board and Manager also have every right to remove a Junior Miss if they feel she has shown misconduct.

***REMINDER: UIL REQUIREMENTS APPLY!**

You must be on your school's eligibility



BROWN COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION

Photo:



CONTESTANT ENTRY FORM



Deadline: _____ **TO** _____. **No late entries will be accepted.**

NAME: _____ **AGE:** _____

SCHOOL ATTENDING: _____ **GRADE:** _____

PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) NAME: (Please list as you want printed in programs and papers) _____

ADDRESS: _____ **CITY/ZIP:** _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ **WORK /CELL PHONE:** _____

Contestant, parents/guardian hereby agrees that if selected as Brown County Fair Association Princess, she will cooperate to the best of her ability in all publicity decided upon by the Brown County Fair Association. It is further agreed that the contestant will have the full consent of her/his parent(s) or legal guardian(s) to enter the contest. An advertising release from the parent(s) or guardian(s) giving full consent to use photographs for advertising and publicity is given herewith.

Signature of Contestant: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____



2018 Brown County Fair Association Junior Miss Bio Sheet



CONTESTANT NUMBER: _____ (will be assigned)

NAME : _____ **AGE:** _____

Using this page only, list the following:

HOBBIES: _____

FAIR PARTICIPATION: _____

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT:

Autobiography

Write a short autobiography about yourself. It may be attached to this page. It may be typed or handwritten and must be no more than one page in length. If typed, the print must be no smaller than the print in this paragraph (12 pts.). It should have at least 1 ½ spaces between the lines with one inch margins all around. Your paper should contain information about you that you think best describes your character and why you want to be (or would be a good) Fair Princess.

On Stage Introduction –Maximum of 75 word biography

***If 75 words are exceeded, it is at our discretion to remove words. Please write below or include an additional page labeled on stage introduction. Must include the contestant’s sponsor, grade, school, and fair participation.**

Please attach your teacher’s reference letter.



**BROWN COUNTY YOUTH FAIR ASSOCIATION
Release and Indemnity Agreement**

I/we, _____, a participant(s)/contestant(s) in the Junior Miss Contest of Brown County Fair & Association do hereby knowingly and voluntarily release the above referenced Event, the Brown County Fair & Association, Board of Directors, Queen’s committee, members, judges, volunteers and employees of the Brown County Fair Association, Brown County and any other person, firm or individual charged and chargeable with responsibility or liability, their heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns from and against any and all claims, lawsuits, demands, damages, loss of services, actions and causes of action based upon, arising out of, such event(s) or in any way related to any honors, awards, or rights sought by me as a participant in the Brown County Fair Association the conduct of business threat thereat, the ownership and possession of any honors, awards, or rights, thereby, any negligent act, act of misfeasance of nonfeasance by the Brown County Fair Association with any honors, awards, and rights, bestowed at said events. Further, I do hereby agree to exonerate, hold harmless, and indemnify such event(s) past, present or future in connection with such honors, awards and rights. Such indemnification to include any and all fees (including reasonable attorney’s fee), costs and other expenses reasonably incurred by or on behalf of the above referenced event(s) and investigation of or defense against any such claims, lawsuits, demands, actions, or causes of actions.

I have had a full and adequate opportunity to be thoroughly advised of the terms and conditions of this release and indemnity agreement by counsel of my own choosing. I have also been afforded the opportunity to ask any and all questions that I have concerning this document and its execution by me. I do fully understand the terms of this agreement and do intentionally and voluntarily agree to same.

PLEASE NOTE: NO PERSON(S) MAY PARTICIPATE/COMPETE IN ANY BROWN COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION EVENT(S) UNTIL THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN SIGNED BEFORE A WITNESS.

I have read the General Qualifications and Policy and understand the contents, and have acknowledged such by signing my name below this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Applicant Printed Name: _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian if Under 18: _____

Witness: _____