

BROWN COUNTY YOUTH FAIR ASSOCIATION JUNIOR MISS GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS & POLICY

Deadline: November 5th at 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. The contestant must be a current resident of Brown County, and attend home school, private school, or public school for the current year. Home-school students who are members of a local 4H Club are also eligible. All contestants must be enrolled in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade. An informational meeting will be held in October at the Home Ec. Building on the fairgrounds. 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. 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 because 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 5th, 2018**. 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. **A maximum of ten contestants selected by the Queen's committee from the application process and November 5th meeting will be invited to a MANDATORY Queen's Tea meeting on December 8th or 9th at a**

time to be announced and 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. The Eligibility Master Listing from each school 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 to participate in this contest.

13. A mandatory fashion show practice will ***be Sunday, January 6th, at 6:30pm. The Runway Show will be held on Tuesday, January 8, 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

Community Involvement **5**

School Involvement **10**

Speaking Presentation **10**

Total Points **50**

Queen's Tea

Interview **20**

Personal Appearance **10**

Speaking Presentation **20**

Total Points **50**

Runway Stage Presentation

Poise and Posture **25**

Stage Presence **25**

Eye Contact **25**

Personal Appearance **25**

Total Points **100**

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** regarding 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 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. First Runners Up may be asked to appear at the Rodeo.

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. First Runners Up may also be asked to participate in these events.

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 Committee members.

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.

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BROWN COUNTY YOUTH FAIR ASSOCIATION

PRINCESS

General Qualifications & Policy

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1. The contestant must be a current resident of Brown County, and attend home school, private school, or public school for the current year. Home-school students who are members of a local 4H Club are also eligible. All contestants must be Third, Fourth, or Fifth grade. An informational meeting will be held in October to review the rules and answer any questions at the Home Ec. building.

2. ***Each Contestant who advances to the Queen's Tea will be required to pay a \$100.00 entry fee*** which may be obtained through sponsorship/s, payable to the Brown County Fair Association.

3. The contestant's parents and the contestant agree that the time, manner, and method of judging shall be solely within the discretion of the Brown County Fair Association and the Brown County Queen Committee and that the decision of the judges shall be final.

4. The contestant must be of good character.

5. The contestant's parent(s) or guardian(s) agree with the Brown County Fair Association that the contest is for extending an opportunity to third, fourth, and fifth grade children to participate in a good experience and fun event, and that the winners are local with no future contests planned. Winners and First Runners Up will be asked to

participate in the rodeo, parades and appearances requested by the Queen's Committee.

6. Applications for the Princess will be received through November 5th. The queen's committee will use the applications to select a maximum of ten candidates to advance to the Queen's tea for the appearance and speaking portion of the contest. The sponsorship and application money will be due at the Queen's Tea for those selected to advance. ***Interviews and Judging will be December 8th or 9th, at a time and location specified by the Queen's committee.***

7. ***There will be a MANDATORY meeting on November 5th at 7pm in the Home Ec. Building on the Fair Grounds.*** Come with completed application and home room teacher reference letter. At this time, publicity photos will be taken with no exceptions. There will be an opportunity to ask any questions and discuss the rules.

8. All forms MUST have complete information or will not be accepted.

9. ***The princess contestants selected to advance will participate in the Runway show at the Youth Fair to be held Tuesday, January 8, 2019. The mandatory fashion show practice will be held Sunday evening, January 6, AT 6:30PM.*** The princess contestants are required to turn in a 65-word autobiography that will be read by the Emcee during her onstage introduction. Anything that exceeds 65 words will be at the discretion of the queen committee to remove words. Please use 3rd person narration. You may include age and fair participation. You must include your favorite thing about the fair and rodeo and a description of your outfit to be worn on the runway. Please use the provided questionnaire for guidance in additional topics to use.

10. Contestants must meet UIL requirements to compete. The Eligibility Master Listing from each school 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 by November 1st, to participate in this contest.

11. The contestants will be judged on personality, poise, appearance, fair involvement, runway modeling and speaking skills. There will be a panel of out-of-county judges.

12. Judges will select a 1st Runner-up, along with a winner from each division.

13. Scoring is as follows:

Initial Selection Points

Fair Involvement 20

Biography 20

Teachers 20

Reference

Total 60

**Stage
Presentation**

Poise & Posture 25

Stage Presence 25

Eye Contact 25

Appearance 25

Total

100

14. Parents and friends may attend the Awards Presentation at the Brown County Awards and Premium Sale. The Fair Photographer will take pictures to be used for publicity.

15. The Rodeo Queen, Junior Miss, and Princess will be presented during the Grand Entry of each Rodeo Performance. Presentation on horseback is preferred but the contestant may walk into the arena to be announced. The contestant is encouraged to participate in all functions that are required by the Queen's committee including the Christmas parade, Brown County Youth Fair & Livestock Show, and Livestock Auction. The Queens committee will give you an itinerary with events and times of all events you will need to be present. First Runners Up may also be asked to participate in these events.

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20. No scores will be released to any competitor. This is a board decision and is final.

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