



2019 Monroe County Fair Princess

Rules and Guidelines

Deadline to Apply is:

June 17th, 2019

Pageant Date is:

June 30th, 2019

Monroe County Fair Queen Committee Mission Statement:

To execute a pageant that will produce a lady of character, who handles difficult situations with grace and embraces all types of people with kindness, and who acknowledges that, during her reign, she is representing Monroe County and the Monroe County Fair Board at all times.

Changes to the Princess Pageant for 2019:

Ages of participants will now be 12 – 15 years of age
Pageant will now be on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

1. Each contestant must be at least 12 years of age before June 1st, 2019 and may not have turned 16 years of age on or before June 1, 2020.
2. Each contestant must be a Monroe County resident, a U.S. citizen, and represent their home county. One of the contestant's parents or legal guardians must also be an Indiana resident. *The only exception:* the contestant may reside in an adjoining Indiana county IF the majority of their activities are in the county in which they entered the contest.
3. Each contestant must be an active member of at least one worthwhile organization in their community, such as church groups, Scouts, 4-H, etc. Eligibility is not limited to 4-H membership.
4. Professional models are not eligible for the Monroe County Fair Princess Pageant. (A professional model is one who earns a livelihood by modeling.) A contestant who has had training or schooling in the modeling field, has been paid upon occasion for modeling, or works for a fashion board is not considered a professional model.
5. Contestants should give thoughtful consideration to their use of social media and be advised that the Monroe County Fair Princess Committee reviews all contestants' Internet presence for appropriate online behavior.
6. If a contestant does not follow any of the previous conditions listed in these guidelines, the Monroe County Fair Princess Contest Director has the right to disqualify that contestant from competition.
7. Each contestant will receive an official 2019 Monroe County Fair Princess Pageant t-shirt, which will be worn during County Inductions during the public preliminary judging on Sunday night, June 30th, 2019.
8. Monroe County Princess Pageant contestants will be judged upon the basis of: poise, personality, and ability to converse.



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The judging is divided into three divisions:

I. Interview – 50 points total

- A. Ability to converse – 20 points
- B. Personality – 15 points
- C. Poise – 15 points

Attire for Interview: Black and white attire. Skirt, pants, or suit of black with white shirt or blouse. No t-shirts or colored bras allowed.

What to Expect: Each contestant will have one three-minute interview with each of the three judges; therefore, each contestant will give three separate interviews, for a total of nine minutes, answering impromptu questions asked by each judge.

Interviews will be conducted on Sunday morning, June 29th, 2019, are private, and are not open to the public.

II. Casual Wear (Age-Appropriate) – 30 points total

- A. Posture and poise – 10 points
- B. Overall impression – 10 points
- C. Impromptu on-stage question – 10 points

Attire for Casual Wear: Sunday dress or graduation event outfit, such as dress pants or skirt with a blouse, or a dress. NO jeans, t-shirts, or bras showing. When choosing a dress, please make sure that the dress is no more than 2 inches above the knee and is modest in cut. The judges may discount an inappropriate dress for the County pageant. Public preliminary judging will take place on Sunday afternoon, June 30th, 2019.

II. Celebration Attire -- NO FORMALS – 20 points total

- A. Posture and poise – 10 points
- B. Overall impression – 10 points

Attire for Celebration Attire: Something you would wear to a dance, celebration, wedding, etc. When choosing an outfit for this portion of the pageant, please keep in mind that there are to be NO FORMALS (nothing floor length). Outfit must be age-appropriate. Length of dress or skirt should be nothing above the kneecap and no low-cut bodices. Any outfit judged inappropriate for the Monroe County Princess Pageant may be discounted by the judges.

Public preliminary judging will take place on Sunday afternoon, June 30th, 2019.

Failure to comply with the above requirements could result in the loss of judging points. Points and score sheets are for the judges' assessment only. Final selection is the judges' decision. The Monroe County Fair Princess Pageant Director reserves the right to change the foregoing terms and conditions at any time as may be deemed expedient.



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For the Winner:

1. The winner of the Monroe County Fair Queen Pageant will receive the titles of "Monroe County Princess 2019" and the "2019 Princess" and must be prepared to spend some time upon occasion at the 2019 Monroe County Fair on the fairgrounds and at other Monroe County-sponsored events as approved by the Monroe County Fair Princess/Queen Coordinator.
2. The winner will receive all prizes, gifts, and awards at the end of the Monroe County Fair.