



2018 Pawnee County Fair Queen Application

The crowned 2018 Pawnee County Fair Queen will serve as the official hostess of the Pawnee County Fair. The Queen strives to promote the Pawnee County Fair, and in so doing, promotes all areas of Nebraska agriculture. The Fair Queen is talented, personable, and an agriculture advocate.

Contest Eligibility

1. Contestant must be at least 15 years of age as of January 1, 2018 and cannot have had her 19th birthday as of January 1, 2018.
2. Contestant must be an active participant in the Pawnee County 4H Program or an active member of a Pawnee County FFA Chapter.
3. The contestant must be unmarried and must never have been married. They must not have had a child or be knowingly pregnant at the time of the county fair queen contest. If the queen becomes pregnant anytime during her reign, she will relinquish her title.

The contestant agrees to abide by contest rules. If a contestant does not abide by contest rules, the Fair Queen Committee and Pawnee County Ag Society will handle the matter. All decisions are final.

Entry

Contestant will email application and all entry materials to Courtney Schardt courtney.lyn728@gmail.com by May 4, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. (noon) Please use subject line "2018 Pawnee County Fair Queen Entry" The interview for interested contestants will be held **May 20th at 5:00 p.m.** with a location to be determined. Courtney will be in contact with you to confirm receiving your application and the location of the interview.

Essay

Contestant will be required to turn in a typed essay with her application. The topic for this years essay will answer, "How would you encourage people to come to the Pawnee County Fair?" The essay should be Times New Roman, size 12 font and no more than 4 pages double-spaced.

Speech

Contestant will be required to prepare a speech to give at the Queen Interview on June 29th. The topic for this years speech is, "My Favorite Part of the Pawnee County Fair" The speech should be between 3 to 7 minutes. Following the speech, the judges may ask questions.

Interview

The judges will interview the contestant. This will be an opportunity for the judges to get to know the contestants; Questions and expectations will be similar to a job interview.

Extemporaneous Questions

Judges may ask random questions throughout the contest. Only judges will be allowed to ask questions. They could pertain to anything the judges find relevant from current events to agriculture.

Awards

The Pawnee County Fair Queen will be provided with a traveling crown, sash and chaps to be worn during the year of designation. The Pawnee County Fair Queen will be given a belt buckle to keep for her reign.

Pawnee County Fair Queen Contestant Application (Please type)

FULL NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE WHERE CONTESTANT CAN BE REACHED

HOME: _____ WORK: _____ CELL: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: _____

EDUCATION – HIGH SCHOOL: _____

What have been your primary scholastic achievements?

What awards or honors have you received?

What are your career goals?

What employment experience do you have?

What are your hobbies?

What is your earliest memory of the Pawnee County Fair?

I'd like to be the Pawnee County Fair Queen because:

My role model or person who has influenced me the most is:

Because:

Contestant grants permission to the Pawnee County Ag Society and Queen Committee, to verify any and all information included in the application and attests that the information she has provided is true. Contestant agrees to abide by contest rules. If a case should arise that the rule are not followed, the matter will be handled by the Pawnee County Ag Society. All decisions are final.

Contestant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Duties and Responsibilities of the Pawnee County Fair Queen

The newly crowned Queen will serve as the official hostess for the Pawnee County Fair July 5-7 2018 and July 25-28, 2018. She will be required to attend:

4-H Livestock Shows, Parade, and Tractor Pull

The Queen will represent the Pawnee County Fair at, but not limited to, the following functions:

Area Parades: Johnson County (August), Richardson County (September)

The Queen will not partake of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs and will refrain from smoking while representing the Pawnee County Fair, officially or unofficially at any time.

The Queen is expected to conduct herself appropriately at all times, regardless of whether she is officially representing Pawnee County Fair or not. If at any time during her reign she is charged with, or convicted of, a felony crime, she will be required to relinquish her crown immediately and the title may be offered to the first runner-up. If the first runner-up chooses to decline the position the title may then be offered to the second runner-up.

- The Queen will be chaperoned by the Queen Committee or someone approved by the director at any time she officially represents the Pawnee County Fair.
- The Queen will abstain from public displays of affection towards her boyfriend during the week of the Fair or at any function.
- All extra spending cash desired by the Queen during her reign is the responsibility of the Queen.

Thank you notes are mandatory and to be written and mailed within 30 days of receiving a gift.

The manner in which the newly selected queen conducts herself should always be that of respect for herself, the Pawnee County Fair, and its Fair Board, at all times during her reign. If at any time the Pawnee County Fair Board and Queen Committee feel that any of the said rules or duties have been broken it is at their discretion to release the reigning queen of her title. At that time it is required to immediately return all prizes to the Queen Committee.

If the 2016 Pawnee County Queen cannot perform her duties as outlined, the first Runner-up will become Queen. The line of succession will then continue if the first Runner-up is unable to fulfill the responsibilities.

The Queen Pageant Committee reserves the right to change the foregoing Rules and Responsibilities contract as necessary at any time.

I understand that my behavior if chosen Queen is a reflection on myself, my family, my school and Pawnee County. I will behave accordingly as a good role model and upstanding citizen. I hereby acknowledge I have read the official rules and responsibilities and I will comply with them in every way.

2018 Pawnee County Fair Queen Signature (to be signed after Queen Interviews)