

INDIANA COUNTY FAIR QUEEN CONTEST

CONTEST RULES

The purpose of the Fair Queen Competition is to encourage the promotion of agricultural fairs and to create better relations between youth and adults in both rural and urban settings. The winner of the Indiana County Fair Queen Contest will be eligible to compete for a scholarship at the state level, and for the title of Pennsylvania State Fair Queen.

INDIANA COUNTY COMPETITION RULES:

EACH CONTESTANT MUST:

1. Meet one (1) of the following three (3) requirements:
 - A) Be a resident of Indiana County
 - B) Attend a school in Indiana County
 - C) Be a member of an FFA club or regularly organized 4-H Club within Indiana County.
2. Be a female at least 16 but not over 20 years of age by December 1, 2011.
3. Have her parent or guardians consent.
4. Be single, never married, have had no children and must not marry, nor get pregnant during her reign.
5. Not be a former fair queen winner or state fair queen contestant.
6. Attend a MANDATORY orientation meeting the last week of July.
7. Present, at competition, a 3 to 5 minute speech on "**Why You Should Come To My Fair**"
8. Be available during the Indiana County Fair.
9. Agree to follow the rules set forth by the State Fair Queen Committee. Must compete at the state competition in January where a \$1,500 scholarship toward education will be awarded to the winner.
10. Meet and greet visitors, local officials, participate in area parades, attend dinners, and regional festivals.

State Fair Queen Obligations:

1. Attend all Pennsylvania State Fair Queen program-sanctioned events including, but not limited to, above-mentioned events.
2. Be available for other events/obligations that may arise on behalf of PSACF.
3. Attend the State Fair Queen Competition in her reigning year at the PA State Fair Convention.
4. Must attend the Coronation Ceremonies for the State Fair Queen at the event.

Application Information:

Contestants are judged on the following criteria:

1. **RESUME AND WRITTEN ESSAY** (To be submitted with application form below): A(300 words or fewer) essay on **What My Fair Means to My Community**.. These will be judged on grammar, content and spelling. (15 points).
2. **PERSONAL INTERVIEW:** Each contestant will have an individual meeting with the three judges. Results of the interview will be based on the contestants conversational ability, answers to questions, appearance, poise, activities, and knowledge of the industry. (30 points)
3. **SPEECH PRESENTATION:** Why You Should Come To My Fair. During this 3 to 5 minute speech, the contestant will be judged on poise/presence and speaking ability as well as the speech content and message (remember agriculture).

Winner will be announced and presented at the opening ceremonies of the 2010 Indiana County Fair, August 29, 2010. The winner will be awarded either a \$750 Scholarship toward education or a \$500 Savings Bond. Travel and housing expenses for the trip to the state queen competition in January will be arranged and paid for by the Indiana County Fair Board. Alternate Fair Queen will receive a \$100 Savings Bond.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JULY 23, 2010.

MAIL TO: Indiana County Fair Queen, c/o Vickie Enciso, 102 Nicola Lane, Indiana, PA 15701. Phone 724-349-5508.

Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone No. _____ Cell No. _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth _____ Grade Completed _____

Name of High School _____ College _____

Parents' Names _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature of Approval: _____