

Troy Strawberry Festival Queens Pageant Code of Conduct and Regulations

Do not be overwhelmed. We will explain this to you at the first rehearsal

All contestants, parents, guardians and guests of contestants, staff, vendors and participants at our events are expected to conduct themselves in a manner expected of an elegant pageant event. Treating all attendees at our events with the utmost respect is a requirement, not a request.

Requirements:

- Contestant must be a High School female (grades 9-12)
- Contestant must be resident of Miami County
- Contestant has never been married, divorced or had an annulment.
- Contestant does not have any children
- Contestants must be prepared to participate in each section of the pageant including rehearsals, an appropriate talent, and on and off stage interviews. (Please reference information sheet for details)
- No one will be permitted backstage or in the dressing room except backstage moms and contestants. This includes mothers, sisters, aunts, friends etc.
- No contestant is allowed to bring "gifts" for other contestants, helpers or judges.
- There will be **NO BULLYING** in any way shape or form of other contestants throughout the pageant rehearsal week. This is grounds for disqualification.
- If you have already been crowned Troy Strawberry Festival Queen you are not eligible to participate.
- Upon winning, the Queen and Court must be available for appearances during their reign
- (pageant to pageant)

Judging/Scoring/Scholarships:

- Judging will be determined by three select judges. Scoring is based on a personal interview, the interview on stage as well as the impromptu question from the judges and talent performed.
- Contestants are not permitted to speak to judges except during interviews. This includes before or after pageant.
- Upon being crowned or placed on court you will receive a letter verifying your prize amount. These awards will be given to you after your reign of Queen/court has been completed , from pageant to pageant.
- When the recipient is ready to claim the scholarship (within two years of graduating) they must request their scholarship be paid out with the school's name, address and student ID
- **Any winner who does not seek additional education or training within two years of graduation**

will forfeit their reward.

- Scholarships will be awarded as follows:
 - \$1,200 Queen
 - \$800 First Runner Up
 - \$600 Second Runner Up

Strawberry Festival Weekend:

- The Troy Strawberry Festival is held the first full weekend of June 6th-7th
- The Queen and Court are required to participate all weekend including the Friday Night Hometown Celebration. (June 5th)
- The Queen and Court will have designated places to be throughout the weekend and will be escorted by the Queen and Court Advisor/Chairperson.
- The Queen and Court will abide by the attached Dress Code all weekend and dress appropriately according to the day's events.

Appearances:

- All appearances are coordinated with the Queen and Court Advisor.
- The Queen and Court are not permitted to schedule their own appearances.
- Queen and Court will abide by the designated dress code for each appearance unless deemed otherwise.
- Foreseen appearances include but are not limited to:
 - To Be Determined
- If at any time you cannot attend an appearance please let the Queens Court Advisor know in a timely manner.
- If you are Queen or on Court for another fair/festival outside of Miami County you must dress in only your TSF crown and sash when representing the Troy Strawberry Festival.
- Please remember you are a representative of the City of Troy, Troy Strawberry Festival, and Troy Chamber of Commerce.
- The Troy Strawberry Festival Queen and Court should be looked upon as an inspiration by the youth and adults of our area and as a role model.

Social Media and Social Conduct:

- The Queen and Court are encouraged to share, like, post etc. all official Troy Strawberry Festival social media accounts in a positive manner.

- Displaying your title on social media is an acknowledgement by you that you represent the organization for which you hold title and therefore, you are expected at all times throughout your reign, online or in public to behave accordingly.
- Public displays of bullying, gossiping, cursing, airing grievances publicly, destruction of property, theft, threats of any kind, illegal activity and anything that brings negative attention to the City of Troy, Troy Strawberry Festival, or Troy Chamber of Commerce is strictly prohibited.
- You represent the Troy Strawberry Festival/Troy Chamber of Commerce and should uphold the integrity of the organization. Failure to do so could result in the stripping of your rein and scholarship.