

2015 PIATT COUNTY FAIR PAGEANT
MISS PIATT COUNTY
GENERAL RULES

1. Contestant must be a U.S. Citizen and have been a resident of Illinois for six months prior to pageant date, Piatt County residency is not a requirement.
2. Contestants for Miss Piatt County must be a minimum of sixteen years of age by June 16, 2014 and not have reached her twenty-second birthday by January 1, 2016.
3. Contestants must be single, never have been married and or had a marriage annulled; contestants can never have been pregnant nor be the adoptive parent of a child.
4. Contestants must never have been convicted of a felony offense.
5. Former County Fair Queens who have competed for the title of Miss Illinois County Fair are not eligible to participate.
6. Contestants are required to attend ALL rehearsals, meetings or workshops unless approved by pageant director before the scheduled time.
7. Contestants agree to be personally interviewed by the judges, to appear in a business suit for the speech portion of the pageant, to appear in a swimsuit during the pageant and appear in their evening gown for the pop question portion of the pageant. Each outfit worn by the contestant will be approved by the director/pageant committee before competing.
8. All visible tattoos should be covered with cosmetics or a band aid for the pageant. Visible jewelry worn in existing piercings will be limited to the ears. (although tattoos and body piercing may be increasingly popular, we and most pageant systems feel they do not represent the image that we wish our Queen to portray)
9. The newly crowned Miss Piatt County will serve as hostess for the Piatt County Fair, June 16-21, 2014. Miss Piatt County will also represent our Fair at the Miss Illinois County Fair Pageant in January 2016.
10. Prerequisites and duties for the newly crowned Miss Piatt County will be:
 - a. Our Queen will not partake of alcoholic beverages, smoke or use illegal drugs while representing the Piatt County Fair.
 - b. Our Queen will not enter any other judged pageants during her reign with the exception of the Miss Illinois County Fair Pageant.
 - c. During the following year the newly crowned Miss Piatt County will be required to attend County Fair Queen Day at the Illinois State Fair and our County Fair Zone Meeting. Miss Piatt County will also be expected to attend as many pageants, parades, events and community activities as possible. There are many events offered and each one is a fun and memorable experience. All functions must have prior approval of the Director and will be attended with an approved chaperone.
 - d. All personal appearances as Miss Piatt County will be approved in advance by the Pageant Director; as well as any photographic sessions and pictures released as the role of Miss Piatt County.
 - e. Our Queen and a few friends or family members will help the Piatt County Fair Board run Bingo at the Macon County Fairgrounds on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. Doing this helps cover the cost of expenses for competing at the State Pageant in January.

- f. While representing the Piatt County Fair our Queen will dress appropriately. Skirts and shorts will be mid thigh or longer. No midriff skin or tattoos will be allowed to show at any time. Visible piercings will be limited to the ears. You will not be allowed to attend the event if you are not dressed appropriately. (when in doubt, check with your Director)
 - g. Internet sites such as Facebook are becoming increasingly popular in today's society. Because of this your pictures can be looked at by anyone and since you will be representing the Piatt County Fair all pictures on these sites should be respectful and tasteful. If the Queen is found out to have inappropriate pictures (underage drinking, underage smoking, illegal drugs, nudity, etc) your title will be taken away from you as well as your gifts. (You will be required to add your Director as a friend to your Facebook)
11. The title of Miss Piatt County is an honor and a privilege. If misconduct occurs during the year of reign, the Pageant Director will meet with the fair board and has the right to relinquish the title and crown to preserve the reputation of the Piatt County Fair. If Miss Piatt County loses her title before the State Pageant in January, the first runner up will be awarded the title and expected to represent Piatt County at the state pageant. If Miss Piatt County would lose her title after the State competition, the Jr Miss would represent Piatt County for the duration of the reigning year.
12. The newly crowned Miss Piatt County and guardian will be required to meet and review additional documentation upon crowning with the Directors which includes but is not limited to fundraising and money making venues along with wardrobe policies and procedures. All of which may be provided ahead of time as requested.

By signing below you are agreeing to the rules as stated. If for any reason the Pageant Director feels that these rules have been broken, your title may be taken away.

CONTESTANT: _____

PARENT OF CONTESTANT: _____