

Dear Contestant,

On behalf of the West Virginia Strawberry Festival, I would like to express my gratitude for your interest in our pageant this year. It will be held March 22, 2020 at 2pm, at Buckhannon Upshur High School.

We are in the process of rebuilding the pageant and are hoping to make positive changes and we need YOUR help!!! Come be a part of the change, we are looking forward to spending this time getting to know you and hope you come to love Buckhannon and the festival as much as we do.

We have had numerous young women compete and capture the title of Miss WV Association of Fairs and Festivals and have had several ladies to receive the coveted crowns of both Miss WV Teen USA and Miss WV USA. The West Virginia Strawberry Festival Association Board of Directors will pay for the 2020 West Virginia Strawberry Festival Teen to compete in Miss WV Teen USA if she chooses to do so. The 2020 West Virginia Strawberry Festival Queen will be given the same opportunity to compete at Miss WV USA if she chooses. Should the 2020 West Virginia Strawberry Festival Queen not be age eligible to compete at West Virginia Association of Fairs and Festivals, the West Virginia Strawberry Festival Board of Directors along with the Pageant Director will at their discretion, choose a representative for the age requirements.

Enclosed in this packet you will find your application to compete, medical release, general pageant information and the criteria to be used in judging.

ALL APPLICATIONS AND MEDICAL RELEASE FORMS MUST BE POSTMARKED by MARCH 4, 2020. No late applications will be accepted and will be returned. Also, please enclose 2 personal photos (will be returned), application and the entry fee and return to: Teresa Kee Teen/Queen Pageant 693 McCartney Road Buckhannon, WV 26201.

Again, thank you for your interest in our pageant. If you have any questions you may call me at 304-613-6573. Cordially,

Teresa Kee, WVSF Pageant Director



## **GENERAL PAGEANT INFORMATION**

## AGE GUIDELINES

Teen – Must be at least 14 years of age, and under 19 years of age before January 1, 2021

Must be born during the years 2002-2006 to be eligible for next state pageant.

\$250.00 Application Fee postmarked by March 4, 2020

Queen – Must be at least 18 years of age, and under 28 years of age before January 1, 2021

Must be born during the years 1993-2002 to be eligible for the next state pageant.

\$275.00 Application Fee postmarked by March 4, 2020

Anyone with a birthdate in 2002 can compete in either division.

Teresa Kee, Pageant Director 304-613-6573

## JUDGING CRITERA AND CLOTHING INFORMATION

**REHEARSAL**: Clothing for rehearsal should be comfortable, wear comfortable shoes but bring the shoes you will be competing if you want to get a feel for how they will feel when walking on stage.

**PERSONAL INTERVIEW:** Personal interview will be conducted panel style by very qualified judges. You will stand in front of the judges as they ask you questions based off your application and be prepared to answer "why you should be chosen as the next WVSF Queen or Teen". Your application should reflect who you are, what interests you and what you are involved in. Your personal interview will last 5 minutes. This is your opportunity to impress the judges on your communication skills, how you relate to the questions asked and your personality. Be You... Your attire choice should be what you would wear to an interview but again reflect your personality and most importantly, age appropriate.



**ROARING 20'S:** To bring in the new decade, we are doing something totally different this year. For the opening number do your best "Roaring 20's thrifty outfit"!! There is lots of inspiration on Pinterest, I found my outfit at Goodwill for less than \$20.00 so, it can be done! Check out thrift shops in your area or maybe you already have something in your closet to accessorize. Think about accessories to accompany your outfit and most importantly have fun with this!!

**SENSE OF STYLE**: Another change we are making this year is for sense of style, you will wear a cocktail dress, romper or jumpsuit that reflects YOUR sense of style is. It can be any color that you choose. Jewelry should be appropriate and minimal.

**EVENING GOWN**: You will need one gown, choose the best color for you and that makes YOU say, "this is the one"!! Earrings, shoes and other accessories of your choice. Remember, judges are looking for poise and elegance. Gown choice should not wear you. Be confident in your gown, this is your last opportunity to impress.



## WEST VIRGINIA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION QUEEN AND TEEN QUEEN APPLICATION

Contestant Name		
Birthdate		
Mailing Address		
Physical Address		=1
Phone Number(s)		
Email Address		
Hometown		
Local Newspaper		
Height	_ Eye Color	
Hair Color		
Parent(s) Name(s)		_
Sponsors		-



School Currently Attending\_

Employer or Occupation (if applicable)	
PERSONAL INFORMATION TO BE USED FOR INTERVIEWS ON AND OFF STAGE	
Name as you wish to be used on stage and in program	
Three words that best describe you	
School, Community and Service Honors and Awards	
Your Strongest Talent	
Hobbies	
Personal Achievement or Goal you are most proud of	



Most unusual quality
Social Cause that means the most to you and why
Most unusual thing you have ever done
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Where do you see yourself in 10 years
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