

2017 Miss Marshall-Putnam Fair Pageant Official Contestant Entry Packet

PLEASE RETURN THE FOLLOWING ITEMS NO LATER THAN SATURDAY JUNE 17TH, 2017:

1. SIGNED COPY OF MISS M-P FAIR PAGEANT OFFICIAL RULES
2. SIGNED RELEASE & WAIVER OF LIABILITY& INDEMNITY AGREEMENT
3. COMPLETED EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION SHEET
4. SIGNED COPY OF PAGEANT SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION
5. COMPLETED & SIGNED MISS M-P FAIR PAGEANT APPLICATION
6. \$50 ENTRY FEE (Checks made payable to: M-P Fair Pageant)

RETURN TO: MARSHALL-PUTNAM FAIR ASSOCIATION

ATTN: MISS M-P FAIR PAGEANT COMMITTEE

PO BOX 114

HENRY, IL 61537

Miss Marshall-Putnam Fair Pageant Official Rules

1. Must be at least 17 years old by July 12TH, 2017, and not have reached her 22nd birthday by January 1, 2018.
2. Must be a resident of Marshall or Putnam Counties, or attend a school district that encompasses those counties.
 - a. Exception- Girls who live in a county that touches that does not have a county fair queen pageant
 - b. Only counties allowed- LaSalle, Woodford, and Peoria
3. Must be a U.S. Citizen and must be of good moral character; never have been convicted of a crime, have any criminal charges pending against them, or have any adjudication pending against them. Entrants should not have engaged in any activities that are characterized as dishonest, immoral, or indecent. Entrant must have conduct becoming of a Queen contestant at all times. This includes, but is not limited to any comments, pictures, and actions, either in person, written, or in online format (ex –Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter etc). Any conduct deemed unbecoming of a Queen contestant, as determined by the Pageant Committee, can & may result in the immediate removal of the entrant from the competition.
4. Must be a single female; never have been married, divorced, or had a marriage annulled. Must have never been pregnant.
5. Any piercing, other than 2 ear lobe piercings, needs to be removed prior to the pageant. If there is a navel piercing that can't be removed, a band-aid must be placed over it to tape it down.
6. No visible tattoos or other body art will be allowed.
7. Former County Fair Queens who have competed for the title of Miss Illinois County Fair are not eligible to participate.
8. Contestants are encouraged to attend all meetings and rehearsals. These dates are provided on additional hand out
9. An entry fee of \$50.00 must be submitted with completed entry packet. No refunds will be given on entry fees if the entrant later decides not to compete in the Pageant. In addition, all contestants will be asked to sell or purchase 5 books of raffle tickets @ \$5.00 per book.
10. **All completed entry packets are to be submitted to the Pageant Committee by SATURDAY June 17th.**
11. Must agree to:
 - a. Be personally interviewed by the judges in business attire
 - b. Appear on stage in a one-piece swimsuit with taupe heels
 - c. Appear on stage in a formal / evening gown for judging
 - d. Present a one-minute prepared speech on a topic of your choice e) Answer a "fishbowl" question on stage
12. Must agree to abide by all the rules of the County and State contests either published or unpublished.
13. Must agree that the decision of the judges shall be final.
14. Must agree that the time, manner, and method of conducting and judging the contest shall be at the sole discretion of the pageant committee.
15. All grievances or objections relative to anything other than the actual contest will be referred to the Pageant Committee of the Marshall-Putnam Fair Association.

If chosen as Miss Marshall-Putnam County Fair, the entrant agrees to:

1. Serve as the official hostess for the Marshall-Putnam County Fair from Wednesday July 12th through Sunday, July 16th, 2017. This includes, but is not limited to, participating in activities on the Fairgrounds, such as handing out ribbons at livestock judging events, making welcoming announcements to the crowd at each Grandstand Event, and to make appearances at various other activities during the Fair, to be determined by the Pageant Committee. The Queen must be available during the entire duration of the Fair, unless permission is granted in advance by the Pageant Committee.
2. Dress appropriately during the week of the Marshall-Putnam Fair. This includes no revealing tops, short shorts or skirts, and appropriate footwear for the events you are attending. If the Pageant Committee deems any attire inappropriate, you will be asked to change your clothes immediately.
3. Represent the Marshall-Putnam County Fair at some of the other area pageants, parades and other functions throughout your reign. Please note that you will be responsible for securing your own convertible or other appropriate transportation for all parades, including providing personal insurance coverage and providing your own candy, if you so choose. Dates for these functions will be provided to Miss Marshall-Putnam as soon as possible by the Pageant Committee. You and your family will be responsible for providing your own transportation to & from these events.
4. Attend County Fair Day at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield, IL on Friday August 18, 2017 to represent the Marshall-Putnam County Fair. You and your family will be responsible for providing your own transportation to & from County Fair Day.
5. Have the opportunity to represent the Marshall-Putnam County Fair & compete for the title of Miss Illinois County Fair 2018 in January 2018 (exact dates will be provided as soon as possible by the Pageant Committee). This contest will be held over a 4 day weekend in Springfield, IL. If choosing to participate in this State Pageant, Miss Marshall-Putnam will be required to be available for the entire duration of the contest and must be accompanied during this time by a chaperone approved by the Pageant Committee. Miss Marshall-Putnam must submit her final completed State Pageant Application to the Pageant Committee no later than September 1, 2017 in order for her entry fee to be paid by the Pageant Committee.
6. Have a competition swimsuit purchased by the Pageant Committee for use in the Miss Illinois County Fair Pageant, if so choosing to participate in this pageant. Miss Marshall-Putnam understands that this swimsuit will be for her use in competing in the Miss Illinois County Fair Pageant, but will be wholly owned & retained by the Marshall-Putnam Fair Pageant Committee after the conclusion of the Miss Illinois County Fair Pageant.
7. Reimburse the Pageant Committee for all expenses paid towards competing in Miss Illinois County Fair 2018 (including entry fees, hotel costs, clothing, coaching, and any other miscellaneous expenses) if she decides not to compete at Miss Illinois County after these expenses have been paid for her or if she does not comply with any other rules listed within the Official Rules and is removed from the competition by the Pageant Committee.
8. Not partake in any alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs while representing the Marshall-Putnam County Fair at any function (regardless of age).
9. Refrain from smoking while representing the Marshall-Putnam County Fair at any function.
10. Conduct yourself in a manner becoming of a Queen at all times. This includes, but is not limited to any comments, pictures, and actions, either in person, written, or in online format (ex –Facebook, and

Twitter websites). Any conduct deemed unbecoming of a Queen, as determined by the Pageant Committee, can & may result in the immediate relinquishing of the title of Miss Marshall-Putnam Fair.

11. Obtain approval in advance from the Pageant Committee for all personal appearances as Miss MarshallPutnam County Fair, as well as any photographic sessions and pictures released as the role of Miss MarshallPutnam County Fair.

12. Not compete in any other judged pageant during her reign as Miss Marshall-Putnam County Fair, until after competing in the Miss Illinois County Fair Pageant in January 2018.

13. Be accompanied by a chaperone at all times during the Marshall-Putnam County Fair, the Miss Illinois County Fair Pageant, and any other public appearances as Miss Marshall-Putnam County Fair. This chaperone must be approved by the Pageant Committee, and should preferably be a parent, guardian, pageant committee member, or other approved adult over the age of 21. A parent or guardian MUST accompany Miss MarshallPutnam County Fair AT ALL TIMES if she is under the age of 18.

14. Place all activities associated with the title of Miss Marshall-Putnam County Fair above any and all other personal appearances. Exceptions can be made with approval in advance by the Pageant Committee.

15. Participate in the planning of the following year's Miss Marshall-Putnam Fair Pageant by collecting donations, recruiting contestants, and attending all workshops and practices for the purpose of training contestants.

16. Purchase and/or obtain donations and assemble a basket to be raffled off for Pageant Fundraising for the 2017 M-P Fair Pageants. The theme of this basket will be provided to you by the Pageant Committee prior to the 2017 Pageant. Approximate value of this basket should be around \$75.00 unless otherwise stated by the Pageant Committee.

In the event of marriage, pregnancy, conduct unbecoming, or for any other reason Miss Marshall-Putnam is unable to fulfill her obligations as the reigning Queen, she will IMMEDIATELY relinquish her title as Miss Marshall-Putnam County Fair, and all privileges connected with said title, including ALL prizes awarded to her as Miss Marshall-Putnam County Fair to that date including, but not limited to, her crown, sashes, scepters, scholarships, cash prizes, and any gifts not inscribed with her name. She will also reimburse the Pageant Committee for any clothing, travel, or other miscellaneous expenses that have already been paid on her behalf.

Parent or Guardian of Contestant: Please read the statements on the preceding pages carefully & completely before signing below.

We are asking for your signature regardless of the age of the contestant, as you will be playing a major role in the coming year if the contestant named above is chosen as Miss MarshallPutnam County Fair. Any questions should be directed to the Pageant Committee for clarification. I hereby acknowledge that I have read the official rules and regulations printed in this packet. As the above named contestant's parent or guardian, I understand that I am also responsible for knowing and understanding the rules and regulations set forth by the Pageant Committee, and will fully cooperate with the Pageant Committee in regards to ensuring the above named contestant abides by these rules.

Parent or Guardian's Name (printed) _____
Parent or Guardian's Signature _____ Date

(regardless of Contestant's age) Please type the following information directly onto this form: Contestant Name

Age (as of Pageant Date) Birth date _____

Cell Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail Address _____

WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT MARSHALL-PUTNAM FAIR ASSOCIATION IN CONSIDERATION

of being permitted to enter for any purpose any part of the property of the MarshallPutnam Fair Association, and/or in consideration of being permitted to compete, officiate, observe, work for, or for any purpose participate in any way in any events being conducted at the Marshall-Putnam Fair Association, EACH OF THE UNDERSIGNED, for himself, his personal representatives, heirs, and next of kin, acknowledges, agrees and represents that he has, or will immediately upon entering any part of such property, and will continuously thereafter, inspect such property and all portions thereof which he enters and with which he comes in contact, and he does further warrant that his entry upon such property and his participation, if any, in the event constitutes an acknowledgment that he has inspected such property area and that he finds and accepts the same as being safe and reasonable suited for the purposes of his use, and he further agrees and warrants that if, at any time, he is in or about such property and he feels anything to be unsafe, he will immediately advise the officials of the Marshall-Putnam Fair Association of such and will immediately leave the area. In further consideration of the foregoing, the undersigned agrees as follows:

1. THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY RELEASES, WAIVES, DISCHARGES AND COVENANTS NOT TO SUE the promoter, participants, racing association, sanctioning organization or any other subdivision thereof, track operator, track owner, officials, car owners, drivers, pit crew, and persons in any restricted area, promoters, sponsors, advertisers, owners and lessees of premises used to conduct the event and each of them, their officers and employees, the Marshall-Putnam Fair Association, or its directors, officers, or employees, all for the purposes herein referred to as "releasees", from all liability to the undersigned, his personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin, for any and all loss or damage, and any claim or demands therefore on account of injury to the person or property of or resulting in death of the undersigned, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees, or otherwise, while the undersigned is in or upon the aforesaid areas, and/or competing, officiating in, observing, working for, or for any purpose participating in any of said events.
2. THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS the releasees and each of them from any loss, liability, damage, or cost they may incur due to the presence of the undersigned in or upon the area or in any way competing, officiating, observing or working for, or for any purpose participating in any event and whether caused by the negligence of the releasees or otherwise.
3. THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND RISK OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE due to the negligence of releasees or otherwise while in or upon the said areas and/or while competing, officiating, observing, observing, or working for or for any purpose participating in any event. EACH OF THE UNDERSIGNED EXPRESSLY ACKNOWLEDGES and agrees that the activities of the event are very dangerous and involve the risk of serious injury and/or death and/or property damage. Each of the undersigned further expressly agrees that the foregoing Release, Waiver and Indemnity Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the State of Illinois and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect. THE UNDERSIGNED HAS READ AND

VOLUNTARILY SIGNS THE RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT,
and further agrees that no oral representation, statements or inducements apart from the foregoing
written agreement have been made.

Signature _____

Print Name _____

Parents' Signature if entrant is under 18: _____

MISS MARSHALL-PUTNAM FAIR EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION Please print clearly or type 1ST
CONTACT NAME AND PHONE NUMBERS

(HOME)

(CELL)

2ND EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME 2ND CONTACT NAME AND PHONE NUMBERS

_____ (HOME)

_____ (CELL)

ANY OTHER INFORMATION (medications, medical conditions, allergies, etc.) YOU FEEL THE PAGEANT
COMMITTEE SHOULD BE AWARE OF IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

MISS MARSHALL-PUTNAM FAIR Pageant Scholarship Information

The Miss Marshall-Putnam Fair Pageant is hoping to award a cash scholarship to the newly selected Miss Marshall-Putnam Fair crowned Sunday evening, July 9TH, 2017. This scholarship will be made possible by generous donations from local businesses throughout Marshall and Putnam counties.

SCHOLARSHIP COMPONENTS & GUIDELINES

1. The scholarship will provide a cash payment to Miss Marshall-Putnam Fair 2017 for reimbursement of educational expenses; including tuition fees, lab or other class fees, books, and room & board expenses. The recipient must be enrolled at an accredited college, university or trade school.
2. Scholarship funds will be made payable to the recipient at the end of her reign as Miss Marshall-Putnam Fair and will be payable once proof of enrollment and satisfactory academic progress have been provided to the Pageant Committee. Acceptable documentation includes college/university/trade school billing statement and transcript or other proof of academic progress documentation.
3. If the recipient fails to meet either of these requirements (enrollment status and satisfactory academic progress) within 24 months of the date she was crowned, the unused portion of the scholarship will be forfeited unless a request for exception due to special circumstances is filed and approved by the Pageant Committee.
4. It is the responsibility of the scholarship recipient to request the scholarship reimbursement by submitting the proper documentation listed above to the Pageant Committee. If the scholarship recipient has not submitted the proper documentation within 24 months of the date she was crowned, the unused portion of the scholarship will be forfeited. It is not the Pageant Committee's responsibility to remind you to request your scholarship reimbursement when the above requirements have been fulfilled. Please read the above statements carefully & completely before signing below. Any questions should be directed to the Pageant Committee for clarification. I hereby acknowledge that I have read the Pageant Scholarship Information printed on this form. I also understand that if I am chosen to be Miss Marshall-Putnam County Fair and awarded the Scholarship, I will abide by these rules, or relinquish my claims to this Scholarship Fund.

Contestant's Name (printed) _____

Contestant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian's Name (printed) _____

Parent or Guardian's Signature _____
(Regardless of Contestant's age)

PAGEANT DATE AND LOCATION Sunday, July 9TH, 2017 5:00 p.m. Marshall-Putnam County Fairgrounds
Hunt Building

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