

DUBLIN PEANUT FESTIVAL PAGEANT

P.O. Box 561

Dublin, NC 28332

Dear Contestant:

Welcome to the 27th Annual Dublin Peanut Festival and Pageant. Thank you for taking an interest in the only ORIGINAL pageant left in Bladen County, the 2019 Dublin Peanut Festival Pageant.

The pageant is scheduled to take place on Saturday, September 14th, 2019 at 7 o'clock in the evening at Dublin Elementary School Multipurpose Building, 7048 Albert St., Dublin, NC 28332.

Entry fee for the pageant is \$80.00. Winners crowned in each of the five (5) divisions will receive full round crowns, flowers and trophies. There will also be a \$1500 scholarship awarded to the winner of the Queen division, providing that she fulfills her contract, carries out her duties in a tasteful manner and attends all mandatory events or whatever she is asked to attend. This scholarship will be awarded at the end of the Queen's reign. (See contract for information).

There are five (5) age divisions, Tiny Miss- Miss. Below are the divisions and judging requirements are as follows:

Tiny Miss, ages 3 to 5, short pageant dress

Little Miss, ages 6 to 9, short pageant dress

Junior Miss, ages 10 to 12, long pageant gown

Teen Miss, ages 13 to 16, long gown, teen appropriate

Miss, ages 17 to 22, single only (no children), long evening gown

All contestants will participate in pageant dress or evening gown competition. Junior Miss through Miss contestants will compete in on-stage interview. This will consist of one pre-approved question. There will be a MANDATORY contestants meeting on Sunday, September 8th, 2019, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at Dublin School Cafeteria. If the meeting location changes, you will be informed as to where it will be changed to. Junior Miss through Miss contestants must be present to receive interview information. All other contestants must be present to receive introduction information. ALL contestants are also required to attend the rehearsal session that is scheduled for Friday, September 13th, 2019 at 7 pm at the Dublin Elementary School Multipurpose Building. All reigning queens must also attend this practice. THIS IS MANDATORY!!! THIS MEETING AND REHEARSAL SESSION IS MANDATORY FOR EVERY QUEEN AND CONTESTANT, IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PAGEANT. NO EXCEPTIONS WHATSOEVER!

THIS PAGEANT IS NOT AN OPEN TITLE PAGEANT!!! If you wish to enter this pageant and are crowned in one of the five divisions but currently hold a title, you must give up your present title within 90 days of being crowned (December 2019) as a representative of the Dublin Peanut Festival Pageant and Committee, or be disqualified of the title, crown, trophy and all/any gifts given to the winner. **This also includes if you are picked to participate as a Carolina Princess representing the Miss NC Organization. YOU MUST NOT RUN IN ANOTHER PAGEANT DURING YOUR REIGN NOR CAN YOU SERVE AS A CAROLINA PRINCESS!!!**

Any misconduct will be deemed feasible for disqualification of crown and title.

All divisions will need to turn in application and money by deadline, which is August 18th, 2019. (Deadline can/may be extended by Director.) NO applications nor entry fees will be accepted after deadline. I cannot or will not accept anything after deadline. You must turn everything in together or it will not be accepted. ***(Director has the right to extend deadline if necessary. If deadline is extended, Director has the right to cancel the extension at any given time, no questions asked.)*** Please remember, if you mail the application, include payment with it. There will also be an **Early Bird Award** given to each contestant that turns in her application BEFORE August 1, 2019.

The Dublin Peanut Festival Pageant Director has the right to accept or deny any application without explanation and the right to make any changes deemed necessary.

Please make checks payable to Dublin Peanut Festival. On the "For" or "Memo" line, please indicate 'Pageant'. There will be a \$35 returned check service charge along with all services charges incurred by the financial institution. Please DO NOT send cash in the mail.

For more information or an application, please contact Penny Perkins Britt, Director, at (910)625-7914 and/or leave a message. I will return your call. (PLEASE DO NOT CALL ME AT WORK!!! I will not be able to discuss the pageant with you while I am there.) You may also email me at preciousskippybritt@gmail.com and I will email the application back to you. You can also contact Jessica P. Hartley, Assistant Director at (910)633-9291 or email her at jessica.packer.86@gmail.com or contact Crystal Cantey McDaniel. Please visit the Peanut Festival website at www.dublinpeanutfestival.com and look up Pageant Info. Or you can visit Facebook to see our page Dublin Peanut Festival Scholarship Pageant.

I have fully read and understand the rules and regulations of the pageant and pageant committee, if crowned as a representative of the Dublin Peanut Festival, Dublin Peanut Festival Committee, Pageant Committee/Representatives/Director, Dublin Elementary School/Representatives are not responsible for any accident, loss/damage of property damage while at practice, the pageant, nor during transportation to/from either. The aforesaid are also not responsible for personal items left in the dressing room or multipurpose building. I also understand that after submitting my entry fee and application, that the entry fee cannot and will not be refunded, if I decide not to participate in the pageant. I also understand that if there is any malice or slander toward the pageant, director or representatives, that I will be contacted by the Dublin Peanut Festival attorney and I will not be able to participate in the pageant again.

Signature (if under 18, parent/guardian must sign)

Date

Witness

NO CONTESTANT NOR PARENT ARE TO APPROACH THE JUDGES BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER THE PAGEANT. DECISIONS ARE FINAL AND ARE TO BE ACCEPTED AS SO. SCORESHEETS WILL BE GIVEN BACK WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK. DO NOT ASK ME FOR SCORESHEETS THE NIGHT OF THE PAGEANT AND DO NOT CALL ME FOR THEM.

DUBLIN PEANUT FESTIVAL SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT

Division: _____ **Contestant No.:** _____

Name: _____

(Please use name you wish to be called on stage.)

Address: _____

Phone No.: _____ **Entry fee:** _____

Sponsored by: _____

Age: _____ **Birthdate:** _____

Daughter of: _____

Fav. Food: _____ **Fav. Color:** _____

Fav. TV Program(s): _____

Hair Color: _____ **Eye Color:** _____

Fav. Activities/Hobbies: _____

Miss Contestants Only: Should you win this pageant, what actions would you take in order to best represent and let everyone know about the Dublin Peanut Festival Pageant?

All Other Contestants: Tell us something interesting about yourself. (MUST HAVE AN ANSWER!)

Please fill out and return, along with entry fee to: Pageant C/O Penny Perkins Britt, 168 Peniancor Drive, Clarkton, NC 28433. Do NOT send to the address on top of this application. This page is the only page you need to return Please keep other pages for your information.

DUBLIN PEANUT FESTIVAL PAGEANT

Terms of Contract

You must represent the Dublin Peanut Festival, Inc. and Committee to the best of your ability and wear the crown presented to you by the Dublin Peanut Festival, Inc. Committee with pride, dignity and grace and in a tasteful manner. You will represent from the moment you are crowned until the day you give up your title at the following year's pageant.

You must conduct yourself as a lady at all times and in a manner worthy of your crown. You must follow the dress code implemented by the Pageant Committee. This means NO denim (unless event appropriate, I.e. Mule Days, or Denim Days), No skimpy short skirts, or anything

not appropriate for a titleholder. If you are asked to dress a certain way for a special event, such as a very hot parade, it will be done and you will wear what is asked of you by the Pageant Director. For example, Pageant title T shirts, that you will be asked to purchase, and appropriate shorts or pants. You will also have to purchase signs for the floats and cars. (I have a person that I use to have both made at a much cheaper price.)

You are not allowed to hold another title or run in another pageant while holding this title unless it is within 90 days of giving up this title. Special exceptions will be made if you wish to run in a school pageant that will not require representation. This contract also applies if you are picked to participate as a Carolina Princess representing the Miss NC Organization., You must also finish out your reign for the last 90 days with the Dublin Peanut Festival, Inc. title and come back for next year's pageant to relinquish your title. If you run in another pageant, win and decide to keep that title, you must relinquish your Dublin Peanut Festival title, return the crown and trophy/sash (in the same condition that they were given to you in) to the committee and it will go to the 1st Runner Up and she will finish the reign under the same condition. The same conditions apply to those who decide they do not want to follow the rules and regulations that are required and implemented by the Dublin Peanut Festival, Inc. Committee.

You are expected to represent the Dublin Peanut Festival Inc., Committee by attending required events and festivities or when given an invitation. All queens must attend at least 10 events, including mandatory, per year. The Miss must attend at least 12 events, including mandatory events, during the year in order to meet the requirements for earning her scholarship. These events DO NOT include Queen meetings. Attending required events and meetings is NOT an option. You must not miss a required event unless you first discuss it with the director. Do not make other plans during the same time as a required event and expect to be able to make up the event with another one. This will not be acceptable and no exceptions will be made. You are also required to attend mandatory monthly meetings scheduled for the reigning queens. You are only allowed to miss two (2), meetings included, during your reign. After the 2nd missed required event or meeting, you will be asked to meet with the Director and Asst. Director. If this cannot be resolved, you will then meet with the Pageant Committee and Peanut Festival Committee so they can decide how to handle the situation and what the consequences will be. If you cannot fulfill your contract, obligations and all requirements, you must relinquish your title and it will go to the 1st Runner Up.

When you enter this pageant, and should you win, you are entering into a contract to represent Dublin Peanut Festival, Inc. for a year. If you do not intend to carry out this contract, do not deprive anyone else that is willing to do so, by not following and abiding by the rules and regulations. Not doing what you are asked to do will bring forth actions by the committee. If you have a Facebook or Instagram, it is mandatory that the director and asst. director are added to your profile for monitoring purposes as there are certain expectations that are required to maintain a good standing as DPF titleholder. If you have any pictures posted of yourself that is not in good taste, ex. Not family oriented or suitable for your younger pageant sisters to view, they need to be deleted prior to this pageant. The director can and will at any time have the right to make a decision concerning any pictures not found to be appropriate. Relinquishment of your crown, regarding any pictures considered not to be in good taste, will be at the sole discretion of the director and Peanut Festival Committee. No questions asked!

If the DPF Committee pays for an event or a parade entry fee, it is MANDATORY that the

titleholder ride with your pageant sisters. You will be asked to contribute to some parades or any fundraisers for parades, needy families or Relay For Life, etc.

Be worthy of the crown you have won. If you have any tattoos, please keep them covered up. You must not, at any time, be seen with a cigarette or alcoholic beverage in your hands or on your person while representing the DPF from September, 2018 to September, 2019. Just remember that you are a representative of the Dublin Peanut Festival, Inc and Dublin Peanut Festival, Inc Pageant and the public will be watching your actions. You must never be heard using profanity. This will also bring forth actions by the pageant committee and relinquishment of title and crown.

When you carry this title, you/your actions also represent the Dublin Peanut Festival, Inc Committee. All entrants in the Queen division must not be married, nor have ever been married. They must also never have had a child, have been or become pregnant during this reign.

They must also never do anything that will bring bad publicity to Dublin Peanut Festival, Inc Committee or Pageant Committee. They must also not engage in any occupation or activity, even in their own time, that would be deemed inappropriate. This time frame is to be from the night you are crowned until the day you give up your title. The determination of a violation of the terms of their contract shall be in the sole discretion of the Dublin Peanut Festival Inc. Pageant and Committee and by the signing of this contract, you consent to any such determination. Any violation of the rules and policies as set forth herein can result in termination of the holder's crown and loss of scholarship in the sole and exclusive discretion of the pageant committee.

For the winner of the Miss Division to qualify for the \$1500 Scholarship, she MUST carry out her duties in a tasteful, dignified manner worthy of being a representative to the Dublin Peanut Festival and Committee. She MUST be enrolled in school at the end of her reign or enrolling in school after graduating high school. Enrollment has to be verified by the director of the pageant or title holder MUST provide proper documentation showing she is still in school, whether it be her first year or graduate school. If the title holder graduates before the end of her reign, she is to inform the director and in order to receive her scholarship, MUST provide proper documentation of her graduation and class credits. All of the being said, the scholarship check HAS to be written out to title holder AND the school she is enrolled in. NO EXCEPTIONS.

You will also be given a more detailed list of rules if you are to win.

I HAVE READ, FULLY UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE DUBLIN PEANUT FESTIVAL INC PAGEANT COMMITTEE AND ATTEND ALL ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REQUIRED OF MY BY THE DUBLIN PEANUT FESTIVAL, INC PAGEANT DIRECTOR AND COMMITTEE, AS ACCORDING TO THIS CONTRACT.

NAME AND TITLE: _____

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: _____

WINNER'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

PARENTS SIGNATURE IF UNDER 18: _____