

Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant

SCHOLARSHIP RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The pageant will be held on Thursday, September 18, 2008 at the Nappanee Apple Festival in Nappanee, IN at the Nipsco Entertainment Tent at the Depot Plaza. The 2008 pageant will incorporate a cowboy/western theme.
2. Entrant must live in the Wa-Nee school district and intends to continue to maintain residence within the Wa-Nee school district during the 2008-2009 school year.
3. Entrant must be born a female whose age shall not be less than seventeen (17) and not more than twenty-two (22) years on September 1, 2008. Entrant must provide either a copy of her birth certificate or driver's license as proof of age.
4. Entrant must be enrolled in high school, a high school graduate or enrolled in college or advanced education by September 1st of the pageant year in which she will compete.
5. Grade point average of 2.0 or higher on a 4.0 grading scale is required. A proof of grade point must be provided with a copy of a recent report card or transcript.
6. Entrant agrees to ask a business to sponsor her in the Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant.
7. Entrant must not be married or pregnant nor have been married (or had a marriage annulled) or pregnant. If any of these conditions change, I will notify the Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant Committee immediately and I understand this will affect my eligibility.
8. Entrant must not use or consume any illegal controlled dangerous substances or abuse the use of alcohol or other dangerous substances.
9. **Entrant must be of good moral character and shall not have been convicted of any crimes and shall possess poise, personality, intelligence, charm and the ability to speak in public. The Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant Committee reserves the right to approve all entrants and to determine without questions, their eligibility to participate in the Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant. If I am chosen as Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom 2008, I understand that my behavior and actions at all times (not just when wearing the crown/sash) during my reign will affect my ability to continue in the role of Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom. The Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant Committee reserves the right to revoke the title if behavior and/or actions are deemed inappropriate. If the title is revoked from the Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom 2008, the crown and sash will be awarded to the 1st place runner-up.**

10. If selected, I agree that I may not (from the date of selection) advertise, endorse or in any way infer support for any commercial product or make personal appearances as a representative of Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom without written consent of the Nappanee Apple Festival Committee Director and/or the Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant Coordinator.

11. Entrant must agree that if selected Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom, or a member of the Court, entrant will participate in **ALL** Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom activities (as listed below) and agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of the Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant Committee. Participation in these events is not meant to be a hardship, rather an opportunity to represent the Nappanee Apple Festival.
 - Apple Festival Activities and Parade (Nappanee) – September 19-21, 2008
 - Indiana State Festivals Association Scholarship Pageant (Indianapolis) – November 8, 2008
 - Elkhart County 4-H Fair Queen Contest (Goshen) – July, 2009
 - Elkhart Country 4-H Fair Parade (Goshen) – July, 2009

12. Scholarship awards will be as follows:
 - Miss Apple Blossom Queen - \$1,000.00
 - 1st Runner-up - \$750.00
 - 2nd Runner-up - \$500.00

Payment will be made by check to the winner's college choice or as otherwise determined by the Nappanee Apple Festival Core Committee.

13. Judging will be based on the following:
 - Biographical Information 25 points
 - Essay 45 points
 - Interview 50 points
 - Overall Stage Presence 80 points

I hereby agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations as set forth above and I meet the requirements and will comply with the regulations stated. If these requirements and regulations are not met then it is understood that disqualification and/or forfeiture of any Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant Committee title will take place. I hereby release to the Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant Committee the applicant's records as a student at the school attended by her. I do hereby release, unconditionally and forever, any claim against the Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Committee, its directors, members or sponsors and agree to hold them harmless as to any claim arising out of any participation in the Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant or its activities.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____
(If under 18 years of age)

All entries must be in the hands of the pageant chairperson by **August 1, 2008**. Mail to:

Miss Nappanee Apple Blossom Scholarship Pageant
Nappanee Apple Festival Committee
302 W. Market Street
Nappanee, IN 46550
Phone: 574-773-7812

(For pageant questions or clarifications, please contact Missy Fisher at 574-773-5344)

Checklist of required materials to be included with application:

- Application with application fee of \$50.00 (to be paid by sponsor)
- Signed Release
- Copy of driver's license or birth certificate
- Color headshot (non-returnable) (please put name on back of photo)
- Copy of most recent school transcript
- Biography Information (see example format)
- 500 word essay stating why you like the Nappanee Apple Festival
- Include all items in manilla envelope

Note: Checks payable to the Nappanee Apple Festival

For Office Use Only

Date Received: _____

Received By: _____

Application Received: YES NO

Sponsorship Fee Received: YES NO

Cash () Check # _____ Date Billed: _____

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BIOGRAPHY AND ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Type on plain white 8 ½ x 11 paper (biography example shown below)
2. Do NOT fold or staple (keep as neat as possible for duplicating purposes)
3. Include a 500 word essay on why you like the Nappanee Apple Festival
4. Use no more than two pages for the Biography and Essay (no exceptions)
5. Deadline is **August 1, 2008**

CONTESTANT NAME: (Enter the participant's full name as you want it to appear)

SIBLINGS: (List names and ages)

ACTIVITIES: (List your activities)

HOBBIES: (List your hobbies)

WHY DID YOU ENTER THIS PAGEANT?: (Explain)

YOUR MOST MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE: (Describe)

FUTURE AMBITIONS: (Explain)

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT YOU: (List)

HAVE YOU COMPETED IN A PAGEANT BEFORE?: (Yes or No). If yes, which one(s).

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO GAIN FROM THIS PAGEANT?: (Explain)

WHAT THREE WORDS BEST DESCRIBE YOU?: (List three)