

Montgomery County Fair Queen Contest

Rules & Regulations

Amanda Wehrle, Chairperson

1. There will be a limit of 12 queen contestants.
2. Contestants shall be female and a resident of Montgomery County, MO or live within Montgomery County School district for no fewer than six months.
3. Contestants must not have ever been married, nor had a marriage annulled. Contestants who are pregnant or have been pregnant are ineligible (State Fair Rules).
4. A contestant must have never been convicted of any crime or have any criminal charges pending.
5. Contestants must be between the ages of 16 and 21 years.
6. Conduct deemed to be improper and detrimental to the Montgomery County Fair and/or the Queen Contest will be reason for disqualification and dismissal by the Chairperson.
7. Each contestant must have a sponsor. A sponsor can be a business, organization, or individual. A \$125 sponsor fee is due at the time of application. Checks payable to Montgomery County Fair – Queen Contest.
8. All contestants are required to sell season passes for the 2024 Montgomery County Fair to participate in the competition.
9. Each contestant will be required to attend all Pre-Fair Events, the coronation, and **ALL** preselected activities/events during the week of the fair. For each event that you do not attend, points will be deducted from your final score the night of coronation (Pre-Fair Events).
10. All contestants are required to wear their sponsorship banners and t-shirts to all Pre-Fair Events as well as activities/events during the week of the fair, regardless of competition placement.
11. Should the fair queen fail to complete her term, the title will be passed to the runner-up, in order of rank, beginning with the first runner-up.
12. Selection of the Montgomery County Fair Queen will be based upon the following categories: Personal Interview, Talent or Speech, Evening Wear, and Final Question. This will be in addition to your Pre-Fair Events score.
13. Contestants will be judged on poise, appearance and personality within each category of competition.
14. All contestants are to be available immediately following the coronation for publicity photographs.
15. The Montgomery County Fair Queen will have the opportunity to represent Montgomery County in the Missouri State Fair in August 2025 in Sedalia and other possible community functions. The First Runner-Up will participate in the queen's place, if necessary.
16. The Montgomery County Fair Board reserves the right to amend any rules.

Contestant Prizes:

Queen: Receives a \$1000 cash prize, plaque, sash, crown, and bouquet of flowers. (\$500 to be awarded at the end of the 2024 fair; \$500 to be awarded at the beginning of the 2025 fair)

1st Runner Up: Receives \$250 cash prize, plaque, sash, and bouquet of flowers.

2nd Runner Up: Receives a local boutique gift card, a plaque, sash, and a bouquet of flowers.

Miss Congeniality: Receives a sash and a gift basket.

Top Evening Gown: Receives a plaque & a local boutique gift card.

Top Speech/Talent: Receives a plaque & a local boutique gift card.

Top Interview: Receives a plaque & a local boutique gift card.

Top Pass Seller: Receives a local boutique gift card & a gift basket

Queen Contest Sponsored By: People's Savings Bank

2024 Montgomery County Fair - QUEEN CONTEST APPLICATION

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parent (or Guardian) Names: _____

Names & Ages of Siblings: _____

Education

High School District: _____ Graduation Year: _____

College: _____ GPA: _____

Degree or Major: _____

Extracurricular Activities: _____

Employment Experience: _____

Fair Information

Talent (include type of speech or song title): _____

Why did you choose to become a Montgomery County Fair Queen Contestant?

What are some qualities/interesting facts you would like others to know about you? _____

As the 2024 Montgomery County Fair approaches, we extend a warm invitation to you to participate in the **QUEEN CORONATION** scheduled Monday, July 15, 2024.

The first 12 girls to submit applications will become our 2024 Montgomery County Fair Queen Contestants. For your convenience, enclosed you will find a copy of the rules and regulations outlining eligibility criteria. Contestants, with the exception of former Miss Montgomery County Fair Queens, may participate in our pageant multiple times.

To ensure a seamless experience, it is imperative that contestants attend various planned activities, including the contestant bonding activity, barbeque fundraiser, sponsor dinner, rehearsals, and photo sessions for local papers, social media, and other advertisements. Participation in the fair parade and various events throughout the fair week (July 15-20, 2024) is also mandatory, with further details and information provided during Orientation.

Each contestant is required to secure a sponsor. Enclosed is a letter for you to present to your potential sponsor, offering comprehensive details about the contest. It is the responsibility of each contestant to seek a business, organization, or individual willing to sponsor them for this event. The sponsorship fee is \$125.00. Contestants must provide necessary paperwork to their sponsor, ensuring completion and return, along with the sponsorship fee and contestant application, to the queen committee by April 5, 2024.

Included is a questionnaire akin to the application questions. Contestant responses will be used during the coronation as you walk on stage. Please type your responses and email them to wehrleamanda@gmail.com.

For any inquiries or to express interest in the contest, please contact Amanda Wehrle at (573) 619-3181. The registration deadline is April 5, 2024.

Details regarding Orientation Night, including date and time, will be announced. Attendance, accompanied by a parent or guardian and a headshot for the paper and fair book, is required.

Thank you for your interest and participation in the 2024 Montgomery County Fair Queen Contest.

Sincerely,

2024 Montgomery County Fair Queen Committee

I give my daughter, _____ permission to enter the 2024 Montgomery County Fair Queen Contest.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature _____

Contestant's Address _____

Contestant's Phone # _____ Contestant t-Shirt Size: _____

Dear Sponsor,

We trust this message finds you well. The Montgomery County Fair is scheduled to commence on July 15, 2024, presenting a week-long series of events including the esteemed Queen Contest, livestock auction, truck and tractor pull, Agri-Land, grandstand entertainment, and various other engaging activities for attendees.

This year, the crowning of our Queen is set to take place on the evening of Monday, July 15, 2024. The success of the queen contest relies heavily on the generous support and active participation of sponsors such as yourself. Sponsors play a vital role in encouraging the contestants to excel while providing essential financial contributions. To foster a connection between sponsors and contestants, we invite you to an exclusive dinner event where you can interact with the contestants and their parents.

As you are aware, our crowned Queen represents Montgomery County at the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia. The Queen receives a cash prize to support her endeavors, and contestants are awarded numerous prizes. This pageant offers a unique and unforgettable experience for the participants.

We extend an invitation for your esteemed company to sponsor a contestant at a fee of \$125.00. In return, each contestant will proudly wear a sash and t-shirt adorned with your company name throughout the fair's activities. Your business will receive maximum visibility through our promotional efforts during the fair.

To secure your sponsorship and ensure inclusion in our promotional materials, kindly complete the information below and return it by April 5, 2024. Please make checks payable to Montgomery County Fair – Queen Contest.

We look forward to your positive response and are confident that your support will contribute significantly to the success of this year's Queen Contest. For any inquiries or further details, please feel free to contact Amanda Wehrle at (573) 619-3181.

Thank you for considering this sponsorship opportunity. We eagerly anticipate your presence at the Montgomery County Fair Queen Contest, making it a memorable event for all.

Best regards,

2024 Montgomery County Fair Queen Committee

Please complete the following and mail your sponsorship contribution to:

Montgomery County Fair - Queen Contest
PO Box 11
Montgomery City, MO 63361

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Company Name: _____ Phone: _____

Company Address: _____

Sponsor Sash Should Read: _____

Fair Queen Questionnaire

Kindly email your responses to wehrleamanda@gmail.com. Please present your answers in paragraph form, ensuring that your response is concise and within a 1-2 minute timeframe. Remember, this information will be used during the coronation night as you make your stage appearance. Rest assured, you will **not** be judged based on these responses.

Submission deadline: July 1, 2024

Fair theme: "Where Small Town Charm Meets Big Time Fun"

1. Tell us about yourself: How old are you? Who are your parents? Where is your hometown and what are the names and ages of your siblings?
2. Share your scholastic achievements, aspirations, and career goals.
3. What motivated you to participate in the Montgomery County Fair Queen Contest?
4. Your interpretation of this year's fair theme is important to us. What does "Where Small Town Charm Meets Big Time Fun" mean to you?
5. Provide an interesting fact about yourself.
6. If you wish, feel free to share any additional details about yourself in this optional section.

Ensure your responses reach Amanda Wehrle by July 1, 2024 to allow ample time for our preparations.

We appreciate your cooperation and look forward to learning more about you through your thoughtful responses.

Sincerely,

2024 Montgomery County Fair Queen Committee