



2024 LaPorte County Fair Queen Pageant

Dear Contestant,

Thank you for your interest in the 2024 LaPorte County Fair Pageant. The enclosed information will provide you with a general understanding of the qualifications and expectations of contestants, as well as the forms needed to be completed and turned in to the Fair Queen Committee.

Being selected as part of the LaPorte County Fair Royalty should be considered a privilege and an honor. It is a serious commitment of time, not only the week of the fair, but throughout your year-long reign at various special events and parades. Our fair is looking for a young woman who can best represent our fair and county. This includes addressing crowds, being personable and approachable to the public, has knowledge of the LaPorte County fair, and has a passion and interest in bettering our community.

Requirements

- Miss La Porte County Fair Queen contestants must be at least 18 years of age and cannot have reached their 22nd birthday on or before June 1, 2025.
- If you are between the ages 14-18, you are eligible for the Miss La Porte County Fair Princess title, please review that application for more details.
- Contestants must be a resident of LaPorte County Indiana or be involved in at least two LaPorte County activities. (i.e. LaPorte county 4-H, your occupation, church involvement)
- There is a \$110 fee required from each female that enters as a queen contestant. She should try to obtain a business, merchant, or club to sponsor her in the contest, and they should pay the fee. Each sponsor's name will appear on a sash that the contestant will wear during public appearances and the night of the pageant. Should a contestant have difficulty in finding a sponsor, the committee will help her if notified by the application deadline May 5th, 2024.
- The contestant must never have been married nor have children. If Miss La Porte County Fair Queen marries or is determined to be pregnant at any time before Miss La Porte County Fair Queen 2025 is crowned, the title, crown, right to all the awards and appearances will be rewarded to Miss La Porte County Fair Queen 2024 1st Runner-Up.
- The 1st Runner-Up must never have been married nor have children. If the 1st Runner-Up marries or is determined to be pregnant at any time before the 2025 Fair Queen Pageant, her awards and title will be revoked.
- Any contestant who has competed at the State Fair Queen Pageant cannot compete again.
- No professional model is eligible for the Queen Contest.
- If the Queen, Princess, or 1st Runner Up fails to effectively represent the LaPorte County Fair, she will be asked to return all prizes won and relinquish her title.
- The Fair Queen Committee reserves the right to change the foregoing rules and regulations at any time deemed expedient.



- If a young woman who is/ or turning 22 years old within the year of the pageant, we will accept their application and allow them to participate in the pageant. Although, they will not be allowed to win the Queen title or any other scholarships.

Please note that being in 4H is NOT a requirement to enter this pageant.

Expectations

- Pageant contestants will be judged on personality, poise, beauty, attitude, and leadership in the community.
- The Queen's Court must be available to represent the fair at activities designated by the Fair Queen Committee. The Committee must approve anything endorsed by the queen.
- All contestants are prohibited in engaging in:
 - Reckless conduct that may endanger self or others*
 - Profanity*
 - Theft*
 - Smoking, alcohol, weapons, illegal substances*
 - Inappropriate comments or pictures on social media or internet.*
- The La Porte County Queen, Queen's Court, and Princess are required to attend the entire La Porte County 4-H Fair. A detailed schedule will be given to the Queen, Court, and Princess immediately following the crowning.
- The Queen will be required to converse with the media and announce daily fair events as needed.
- Miss La Porte County Fair Queen must be able to represent La Porte County at the Indiana State Fair during County Queens Day. Tentatively the date is set for Sunday, [August 11th](#).
- Miss La Porte County Fair Queen must be able to represent LaPorte County at the Indiana State Fair Contest [January 3rd-5th, 2025](#). This includes completing an additional application and more time commitments.
- All 2024 La Porte County Fair Pageant Contestants must ride on the LaPorte County Fair Queen float in the 2024 LaPorte 4th of July Parade. The 2024 Queen will also be required to ride in the contestant float on July 4th parade in 2025.
- Miss La Porte County Fair Queen and Princess may be required to attend several parades and public relations events throughout the county between the 2024 and 2025 La Porte County Fair Pageants.
- The 2024 Queen must be available at the 2025 Preliminary Judging.
- The Royalty must be present at the 2025 LaPorte County Fair Queen Contest.
- Contestants must decorate a jar or a box that exhibits their personality. These will be displayed at the entry of the pageant and attendees can donate money to the contestants collection container. The girl with the most donations at the end of the pageant will be given the "People's Choice Award." Thirty percent of the raised money, and no more than \$500 will be given to the People's Choice Winner.



- All contestants will be required to give a one minute on-stage speech that will be judged and included in their scoring.

If at any time the LaPorte County Fair Board or Queen Contest Superintendents feel that any of the above rules have been broken, it can be their decision to relieve you from your duties and title. This will also result in loss of scholarship.

Application

Please fill out the application. These will be used in narrations during the pageant. Be sure to list all activities, awards, etc. on application. Additional pages can be added as necessary.

A wallet size photo or snapshot should be included with the application. This photo will not be returned. A head and shoulders shot is preferred. We will be taking professional headshots during a workshop.

The application must be sent to:

**LaPorte County Fair Queen Contest Superintendents
12728 S 700 W Wanatah, IN 46390**

****please do not send to the fair office****

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or email one of the committee members:

lpcofairqueen@gmail.com

Alissa Clemons	(219)614-5341
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A schedule of workshops and events will be given out at the first VIRTUAL meeting on April 21st. We look forward to working with you during the 2024 Miss La Porte County Pageant!

All the best,

The La Porte County Queen Committee



Application

ONLY TYPED RESPONSES ARE ACCEPTED - HANDWRITTEN APPLICATIONS WILL BE ASKED TO BE RESUBMITTED

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Parent or Guardian Names: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ High School/College: _____

Township: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Business Sponsorship Fee is \$110.00 for Miss La Porte County Fair Queen. Check must be mailed with application. Sponsor logo can be emailed to lpcofairqueen@gmail.com . Logos will be used in the programs.

Sponsor Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Sponsor Address: _____

Sponsor Phone: _____

NON-LAPORTE COUNTY RESIDENTS:

Provide a list of AT LEAST two (2) La Porte County activities. Please provide a signature and contact information of your La Porte County sponsor, coach, leader, employer, etc.

Activity #1 _____

Sponsor Signature _____

Phone # _____

Activity #2

Sponsor Signature _____

Phone # _____



Please, tell us about yourself.

COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (i.e church, clubs, 4-H, etc.):

AWARDS AND HONORS RECEIVED: _____

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE: _____

CAREER GOALS:

HOBBIES: _____

IF CHOSEN THE FAIR QUEEN OR PRINCESS, HOW COULD YOU BE A POSITIVE INFLUENCE ON YOUR PEERS?



WHAT IS YOUR EARLIEST MEMORY OF THE LA PORTE COUNTY FAIR?

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE LA PORTE COUNTY FAIR?

WHO IS YOUR BIGGEST ROLE MODEL AND WHY?

****We require 5 HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE to be completed by the time of our Pageant Rehearsal on July 5th. More details on how to complete at the Meet & Greet****

Falsification of the above information will result in disqualification.



I have read the qualification requirements and expectations as outlined and wish to be considered an applicant.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Please contact the committee for any questions via email (lpcofairqueen@gmail.com)

Deadline for Application will be extended to help participants obtain sponsorship. Deadline for application will be May 5, 2024

Contest will be on Saturday, July 6th, 2024