

2024 MONROE COUNTY FAIR QUEEN PRACTICE **SCHEDULE & DEADLINES**

TWO EXCUSED ABSENCES ONLY!! It is very important you attend all the practices, for your benefit as well as the other candidates. **Practices are completed by approximately 9:00pm.** Attendance file will be provided to the judges on the day of the pageant at your personal interview. **ABSENCES WILL BE APPROVED BY PAGEANT CO-DIRECTORS ONLY.**

Practices will be held at the Monroe County Fairgrounds Commercial Building unless otherwise informed. Please **ALWAYS** bring your taupe heels and wear a one-piece swimsuit underneath your clothing (do not wear your competition swimsuit).

Please refer to the schedule below as these deadlines allow plenty of time for any adjustments or changes that may be necessary.

PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE ANY TAGS FROM GARMENTS UNTIL THEY HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE PAGEANT CO-DIRECTORS.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR CELL PHONES TURNED OFF DURING REHEARSALS. CELL PHONES WILL BE LEFT WITH THE CO-DIRECTORS OR EMCEE DURING THE COMPETITION.

- March 9** **11:00 am**
Informational Meeting at the Monroe County Fairgrounds
Begin search for Sponsor(s)
BRING DRIVERS LICENSE, MOST RECENT HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT, AND OTHER IDENTIFICATION AS PROOF OF RESIDENCY.
- April 12** Paperwork must be completed, signed and submitted, either in person or postmarked, on or before April 12, 2024.
Mail to: Monroe County Fair Queen Pageant, 5950 State Route 3, Waterloo, IL 62298.
You will not be photographed unless required paperwork is received and approved, including the \$100 sponsor check.

- April 20 1:00 pm**
Photos
 Little Miss contestants and Queen contestants will be photographed in Waterloo. Please meet at Ivy Bell and Company, 5149 State Route 156, Waterloo, IL 62298. Queen contestants will be photographed individually and as a group. These photos are for the Fair paper and other local publication(s). If you are not available this date your photo will not be included in the official group photo. Please have hair and makeup done as this is the first individual photo the Judges will see prior to your interview. **WEAR BLACK TOP AND WHITE CAPRIS OR SLACKS (NO HOLES OR TEARS), BLACK SHOES (NO FLIP FLOPS). NO EXCESSIVE CLEAVAGE. ACCESSORIES OF CHOICE.**
These photographs are subject to General Rules for Monroe County Fair Queen.
- April 30** Queen Contestants shall make their “head shot” selection upon receipt of photos and notify Pageant Co-Directors of desired number. This will be the individual’s photograph used in the Fair Book and any other media.
- June 3 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm**
Practice
 Wear a one-piece swimsuit underneath clothing. Bring taupe heels. Bring clothing for approval.
REMINDER: CLOTHING MUST BE APPROVED BY JUNE 24.
- June 10 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm**
Practice
 Wear a one-piece swimsuit underneath clothing. Bring taupe heels. Bring clothing for approval.
REMINDER: SPEECHES MUST BE MEMORIZED BY JUNE 24.
- June 17 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm**
 Wear a one-piece swimsuit underneath clothing. Bring taupe heels. Bring clothing for approval.
T-SHIRT ORDERS DUE WITH MONEY!
- June 24 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm**
Boot Camp
 Wear a one-piece swimsuit underneath clothing. Bring taupe heels.
CLOTHING MUST BE FINALIZED
SPEECHES MUST BE FINAL AND MEMORIZED
- July 1 6:00 pm – 9:00pm**
Practice and Ice Cream Social with Little Miss Contestants!
 Wear a one-piece swimsuit underneath clothing. Bring taupe heels.

- July 8** **7:00pm – 9:00pm**
Practice
Wear a one-piece swimsuit underneath clothing. Bring taupe heels.
- July 15** **8:00 pm - 9:00 pm**
Practice
Wear a one-piece swimsuit underneath clothing. Bring taupe heels.
- July 20** **7:00 pm**
Dress Rehearsal
Bring taupe heels, skirt/dress/pants similar to your interview outfit, and some sort of long dress/formal to practice in (not your competition gown). Wear a one-piece swimsuit underneath clothing.
- July 21** **5:00 pm**
PAGEANT NIGHT!
Queens need to be backstage NO LATER than 5pm
Interviews begin promptly at 5:30 pm
Little Miss Pageant begins at 7:00 pm
Queen Pageant begins at 8:00 pm

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