

Entry Fee: \$40 - Must be received to the Fair Office/Pageant Committee No Later than June 1st, 2025 — May turn in at the first practice on June 1st, 2025. Please complete this registration packet and mail to the fair office by the deadline below and keep a copy for your records.

Mail to:

Stephenson County Fair Association Queen Registration 2250 S Walnut Rd.
Freeport, IL 61032

Or contact Cindi Mielke at 815-238-7492 or missstephensoncountyfair@gmail.com

Full Name:		Preferred or Nickname:		
Birthdate:	Age (by July 1st 2025):			
Height (no shoes):	Hair Color:	Eye Color:		
School/Grade (Fall):				
Phone number:	Cell Phone	2:		
Email:				
The information	າ supplied on this form will used d	luring the pageant and contestant's interview.		
My favorite color:		My favorite toy:		
My favorite game:		My favorite hobbies:		
		My favorite Disney princess:		
My favorite movie:		,		



My favorite subject in school is and why:
What other extra curricular activities have you been involved in (Sports, arts, church, etc.)?
Clubs and Organizations:



What I want to be when I grow up and why:	
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My favorite part of the Stephenson County Fair:	
My favorite ride at the fair:	



My favorite fair food:
Short Essay Topic (3-4 sentences): "Why do you want to be the Stephenson County Fair Little Miss?"



\$250 Cash Prize Awarded to the newly crowned 2025 Stephenson County Little Miss July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 Entertainment Tent at the Stephenson County Fair Pageant Director: Cindi Mielke 815-238-7492

(Entry fees payable by check to Stephenson County Fair Association)
Applications available at www.stephensoncountyfair.org or missstephensoncountyfair@gmail.com

#### RULES/REQUIREMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

- 1. Contestants must be the ages 6 10 years old by the 2025 Pageant.
- 2. Must be a U.S. Citizen. Contestant, Parent or Legal Guardian must currently be a resident of Stephenson County IL or the contestant is attending a Stephenson County school. Contestants from another county may compete if their county does not have a pageant for their age division or if approved by the Stephenson County Fair Board.
- 3. Anyone holding a current title (having a crown and/or sash) will not be eligible to participate.
- 4. Born female and have always been female.
- 5. Contestants who are under the age of 18 must have parent's/legal guardian's written consent agreeing to the rules and exceptions. (See rehearsal schedule for additional details).
- 6. Each contestant will be personally interviewed on Tuesday, July 22, 2025 by the judges in church attire (skirt and blouse, nice dress, or a jumpsuit. All must be at least knee length).
- 7. Each contestant will appear on stage in a knee-length dress (floor length gowns are not acceptable or dress that comes above the knee) with shoes of her choice (nice sandals or a heel not more than 1 inch in height). Formal pageant type dress is optional.
- 8. All clothing must be approved by the Pageant Director by **June 22, 2025**. A picture will be taken for documentation. **Once the clothing is approved NO changes will be allowed.**
- 9. Contestants my wear lip gloss or light lipstick and light rouge to cheeks (no base make-up or eye make-up allowed, if you arrive with more then what is listed you will be required to remove it or be disqualified.) The contestant is to have a natural look.
- 10. Rehearsals will be on Sunday afternoons from 4:00 pm to about 5:00 pm and you will be provided a schedule once your registration form is received. Rehearsals are subject to change so please be sure to attend each practice. We understand that summer vacations may happen but it is also very important to be committed to the pageant. If you have over 2 absences you will be eliminated



from the competition. If you are going to be absent you are to contact the director by noon (12:00 pm) the day of rehearsal.

- 11. Contestants will be judged as follows: Personal Interviews, Questions and stage presence in kneelength dress.
- 12. It is prohibited for the 2025 Stephenson County Fair Little Miss to participate in any other scholarship or beauty pageants during her reign. If she chooses to do so, she will be required to give up her title and all that goes with it (tiara, sash, pin, all gifts and scholarship) to the next eligible Runner-up. This will disqualify her from competing in the Stephenson County Fair Little Miss Pageant in the future.
- 13. The newly selected Little Miss will assist the newly crowned Queen as hostess of the Stephenson County Fair, July 22-27, 2025. An itinerary of duties for the week of the Stephenson County Fair will be given to the Little Miss by the pageant committee.
- 14. The newly crowned Little Miss agrees to participate in all functions becoming of a Little Miss. This includes all parades, and other events which may arise during the year. Activities connected with the Stephenson County Fair should take precedence over and above all other personal appearances. All personal appearances as the Stephenson County Fair Little Miss shall be approved in advance by the Pageant Director; as well as any photographic sessions and pictures released as the role of Stephenson County Fair Little Miss.
- 15. The newly crowned Little Miss will be chaperoned either by the Pageant Director, or a chaperone approved by the Director at any time she is representing the Stephenson County Fair. **Any event outside the fair at least one parent or guardian must attend the event with their child.**
- 16. Decisions of the judges are final. Any grievances or objections relative to the contest will be referred to the Pageant Committee or the Stephenson County Fair Board. Each judge will sign an affidavit stating that they do not know, are not related to, nor do they or have they ever coached any of the Little Miss contestants competing this year.
- 17. Scores will not be given out to contestants after the pageant. If you would like feedback or have any questions, please contact the Pageant Director for details.
- 18. If there are not more than two (2) contestants in this category, a first runner up will not be announced.
- 19. A \$250 prize will be awarded to the contestant crowned as 2025 Little Miss Stephenson County.



#### **Judging Categories**

**PERSONAL INTERVIEWS:** are timed events – up to four (4) minutes for each contestant. Contestants will be asked a series of simple questions by a panel of judges. The girls will be asked things like their favorite food at the fair, favorite ride at the fair, about their family and a few other general questions. The judges are looking for a contestant who is outgoing and unafraid of speaking.

ON-STAGE MODELING: Each contestant will be guided through a simple modeling sequence for onstage. They will introduce themselves by saying their name and the city they are from into the microphone. They are asked to wear a dress of their choice (floor length gowns are not acceptable), remember to allow your daughter to choose a dress in which she feels comfortable in. This dress does not have to be a formal/pageant dress and is NOT to come above the knee. The girls are judged on their stage presence and how they model the dress; they are not judged on the dress. You will see all types of dresses from fancy, frilly, sparkly, Church, School to casual sun dresses. Again, it needs to be something that your daughter feels great in and loves! Our pageant is strictly for fun; please keep the dresses and hairstyles age appropriate. NO MAKE-UP (lip-gloss or light lipstick and light rouge to cheek's is acceptable) (no base make-up or eye make- up allowed, If you arrive with more then what is listed you will be required to remove it or be disqualified.)

**Crown Bowl Question's:** Each contestant will be asked three questions by the current Queen on stage. Questions will be given out in advance so that the contestants have time to practice their answers.

- \*\* \*\* A \$40 entry fee is required from each contestant and due on the registration deadline (or at the latest the informational meeting on **June 1st, 2025**)
- \*\* \*\* A Bio/Questionnaire is due by the second rehearsal on Saturday June 8th, 2025

Please feel free to contact the director with any questions regarding the pageant or rehearsals. She can be flexible but need to be fair to all and I need commitment from all of our contestants. Our most important goal is to have fun, so come join us!

Cindi Mielke, Pageant Director 815-238-7492 (call or txt) or missstephensoncountyfair@gmail.com



Please Sign and Complete that you have read and acknowledge all rules and judging categories for the Stephenson County Fair Little Miss Pageant

I,	(Contestant), and	(Parent/Guardian)
have read all of the above rules an	d agree to abide by them during all re	hearsals and reign if crowned
Junior Miss. I agree to abide as a c	contestant of the Miss Stephenson Co	unty Fair Pageant.
(Conte	estant Name) will abide by them during	g all rehearsals and reign if
crowned Little Miss.		
Contestant Signature:		Date:
Parent/Guardian Signature:		Date:



#### Photography / Video Release Form

I understand that while attending functions associated with the Miss. Stephenson County Fair Pageant that photographs and videos may be taken. I hereby give consent to have photos and videos containing my likeness to be used on the web site, in electronic publications, social networking sites, distribution materials, newsletters and publicity materials such as local newspapers.

I understand and agree that this consent will remain valid for an indefinite period of time.
I <b>DO NOT</b> consent to the use of my child's/my photo or video being used by the Stephenson County Fair Pageant.
I am the parent or legal guardian for
Printed Name:
Signed:
I am over the age of 18
Signed:
Date: