

WESTMORELAND AGRICULTURAL FAIR QUEEN APPLICATION

****Be sure to complete all pages of the application****

- **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS** – **ALL** requirements must be met in order to participate:
 - Must be a female, at least 16 years of age, but not over 20, by June 1, of the year entering the contest.
 - Contestants need not be a Westmoreland County resident but required to have participated in a Westmoreland County agricultural club and the Westmoreland Fair for at least three years, as well as this year.
 - Must be a current member of or affiliated with the organization representing
 - One entrant per 4-H, FFA Club or organized agricultural organization
 - Not hold any other state title for any other commodity group or pageant
 - Must not have been a former Fair Queen winner at another fair, nor a former State Fair Queen contestant
 - Must have Parental or Guardian Consent
 - Must be single, never married, have not been pregnant nor given birth to a child and must not marry, nor get pregnant during her reign
 - Must act in accordance with the PA Fair Queen “Behavior Policy” – see attached (signature required)
 - Must be able to meet all time commitments (Monday & Tuesday Evening before fair opens, Queen obligations and Dress Code as set forth by the PA State Fair Queen Program –see attached (signature required)

Contestant Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Organization Representing: _____

No. of years as a member of the organization: _____ No. of years you have exhibited at the Fair: _____

How are you associated with the organization named above? _____

On a Separate sheet of paper with contestant’s name in the top right-hand corner of each page, please type a brief answer the following:

1. What extracurricular activities have you been involved in?
2. What awards or honors have you received?
3. What are your hobbies?
4. Is there any other information you feel is important?
5. What has been your most significant learning experience at the Westmoreland Fair?
6. Why do you wish to be the Westmoreland Fair Queen?

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

The following items are to be included with the application and turned in with the application to be considered complete. The application will not be accepted if anything is missing.

- An essay (300 words or less*) on “What My Fair Means to my Community”.
- Attach a letter of recommendation from a leader or officer of the organization that is sponsoring you.
- Complete an introduction (150 words or less*) to be used for the Fair Queen Pageant is to be included with the application. Include contestant’s name at the top of the paper, use size 12 fonts, double space, do NOT use first person narratives, and check spelling and grammar. It should be no longer than the example attached.

*if your essay and introduction are longer than asked for, you will be penalized.

The following is to be given the night of the pageant:

A speech (1 minute long) on “Why You Should Come To My Fair”.

T-shirt Size (circle one): Adult Small Adult Medium Adult Large Adult X-Large

I have read and understand the Fair Queen Contest Rules and I am a qualified candidate for the Westmoreland Fair Queen.

Candidate Signature _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Please return completed application by August 1, 2023, to:

Westmoreland Fair
Attn: Queen Contest
PO Box 501
Pleasant Unity, PA 15676

FAIR QUEEN BEHAVIOR POLICY:

The Contest's governing Board shall have the sole discretion to determine whether, in its judgment, the Queen, Alternate or Contestants may continue to participate in the Program, in the event that Board determines that any statement or representation is not true and accurate, or that any action is inconsistent with the rules, standards and dignity of the Program.

The following will be considered violations of the Policy and will be grounds for immediate disqualification, dismissal and/or being banned from future Queen Competitions:

1. Any infractions of any Queen Contest rules.
2. Smoking, drinking alcoholic beverages, chewing gum, foul language and/or public displays of affection to dates/boyfriends while wearing crown and/or sash and representing the Queen Program.
3. Engagement in any illegal, unpartisan, unethical, indecent and/or morally questionable behavior, including but not limited to online representations on the Internet such as all social networking sites including but not limited to Twitter, Instagram, Face book and MySpace.
4. Use of any illegal controlled dangerous substances or abusing the use of alcohol or other dangerous substances.
5. Any defamation of the Queen Contest, its winners and contestants, and the Fair or the PA Fair Queen Program and their Directors and Committee members, whether it be oral or written. This includes postings on the Internet.
6. Any uncooperative or unsportsmanlike conduct before, during or after the competition.
7. Any unsolicited or unauthorized appearances or representations of the Queen Program in crown and banner.

FAIR QUEEN DRESS CODE:

Wearing of the Fair Queen crown and/or sash is to be considered an honor and privilege. The bearer represents herself, her family, her community and Fair. Therefore, professional appearance is expected while in crown and sash:

1. Attire that is conducive to the specific appearance or event (i.e. business casual, formal, etc.)
2. No jeans, sneakers, flip flops or boots.
3. No visible piercings (other than earrings) or tattoos.
4. No outfit that is too low cut, too short or too revealing.
5. No clothing that advertises, promotes, or glorifies the use of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or anything inconsistent with the dignity of the Queen Program.

I have read and understand the Fair Queen Behavior Policy and Dress Code.

Candidate Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

**THIS MUST BE RETURNED WITH THE WESTMORELAND FAIR QUEEN APPLICATION
BY AUGUST 1, 2023.**

Check List of items that need to be submitted:

All items listed below must be turned in at the same time and in the manner requested in the application (i.e. Name in top right corner on all typed pages, word count when requested) – points will be deducted

1. Completed Application
2. Shirt size listed on application
3. Answers to 6 questions on application on separate paper with your name in top right corner of each page needed to answer questions, each answer does not have to be on a separate sheet of paper.
4. 300-word essay “What my fair means to my community” on separate sheet of paper with your name in the top right corner and word count at the bottom
5. Signed recommendation letter from club or organization leader
6. Copy of commentary that will be used to introduce you written in the 3rd person, double spaced and with word count listed and no more than 200 words
7. Copy of your memorized speech of “Why you should come to my Fair”
8. Signed application by both contestant and Parent or Guardian
9. Signed Behavioral agreement by both contestant and Parent or Guardian