



NEEDVILLE YOUTH FAIR PAGEANT



CONTESTANT RULES – 2025

1. The contestant must reside in the boundaries of Needville ISD or attend a Needville ISD or Damon ISD school and be enrolled in Grades Kindergarten through 8th grade.
 - Princess Contestants - Kindergarten or 1st grade
 - Mini Miss Contestants - 2nd or 3rd grade
 - Jr. Miss Contestants - 4th or 5th grade
 - Miss Teen - 6th, 7th, or 8th grade
2. The number of contestants allowed to participate in the contest will be determined at the time of registration. The participant slots will be awarded to the contestants who contact the Queen Committee on a specified date and time selected by the Queen Committee. Detailed instructions will be given with the application prior to.
3. The Needville Youth Fair recognizes and accepts NISD/DISD student policies, rules and procedures as stated in the 2024-2025 School Student Handbooks. Any exhibitor that is deemed not eligible to participate in an extracurricular activity by NISD/DISD due to grade eligibility, attendance or disciplinary infractions will not be allowed to participate in the Needville Youth Fair.
4. Each contestant will be judged on appearance/beauty, poise, articulation, personality, and overall impression by a panel of judges. There will be no visitors allowed with the contestants once the pageant begins. The dress for the pageants is party dress style. Miss Teen contestants will participate in a personal interview with the judges prior to the pageant, which will account for 45% of their overall score. The on-stage pageant will account for 45% of their score, with an additional 10% awarded for youth fair participation.
5. Each contestant must meet the \$100 minimum of ticket sales in order to qualify for the title. Each contestant/legal guardian will be responsible for the tickets and money from the ticket sales. The total amount from the ticket sales will be added to the deposit slips that each contestant turns in to the committee no later than 7:00 p.m. the Tuesday before the parade. All unsold tickets and money collected for tickets sold must be turned in at this time and reconciled with a Queen's Committee member. Any contestant not complying will be ineligible to compete in the pageant. These deposit slips will be the carbon copy from the bank. Each contestant is responsible for depositing her money into the Needville Youth Fair's account at the Prosperity Bank of Needville. To be credited appropriately, the contestant must list on the deposit slip "Princess", "Mini Miss" or "Junior Miss Youth Fair" and her name. Each contestant/parent/legal guardian will be responsible for a shortage in ticket and/or money balance. Contestants are not allowed to advertise ticket sales at public locations.
6. Contestants will not hold the Needville Youth Fair, Board of Directors, Queen's Committee members or any individual or organization liable for any accident or injury that may or might occur as a result of the contest or future obligations. A parental permission and liability release form must be signed and submitted with the contest application.
7. Ties will not be allowed in the pageant contest. In the event of a tie, the place will be awarded to the contestant with the highest amount of ticket sales. If there is a tie in ticket sales the committee will review the scores with judges.
8. The winners of each pageant will be required to stay for the Queen's coronation.
9. The winner will be asked to return the following year to ride in the Needville Youth Fair parade with the reigning NYF Queen crown the new Princess, Mini Miss, Jr Miss and Miss Teen.
10. In the event of a natural disaster or another event, the Needville Youth Fair, Board Members, and Queen's Committee may change the dates and times of the contest. It is the responsibility of the contestant and the parents or legal guardians to provide the Queen's Committee with at least two current telephone numbers at which they can be reached, and it is the responsibility of the contestant and parents or legal guardians to remain in contact with the Queen's Committee Chairman and/or Needville Youth Fair Office to obtain any changes in location, times and rules.
11. The Needville Youth Fair Board of Director's and Queen's Committee members reserve the right to make additional rules and regulations as the situations warrant.
12. All contestants must conduct themselves in a manner befitting the Needville Youth Fair.
13. Decisions of the Needville Youth Fair, Board of Directors, Queen's Committee members and Queen's contest judges are FINAL. All scoring information is confidential and will be not be released.