

Fair Queen Information



Welcome to your first steps in participating in the 2024 Cedar County Fair Queen program. We are excited to meet you. Our goal for you is that you will meet and interact with other outstanding young ladies from Cedar County, learn about the inner working of the fair, develop stronger leadership and public relations skills, and have a great time!

Any young woman between the ages of 16-21 who resides in Cedar County is eligible to apply and participate. These ladies need to be active in the community and positive role models. It is not limited to just those who are in FFA & 4H.

Please return the following application, quick facts sheet, and permission slips to Queen Coordinator, Molly Haub or Jenny Jackson at PO Box 324, Tipton, IA 52772 or email to thecedarcountyfair@gmail.com by May 1, 2024. The follow events will be available to contestants to participate in (starred events are required):

- Contestant orientation & activity- June 4*
- Volunteering at fairground work nights Wednesday in June & July
- Interview Practice, Poise Workshop, & Brunch- June 30
- Tipton 4th of July parade*
- Rehearsal & Fair Board Appreciation Dinner- July 7*
- Judging- July 10*
- Coronation- July 10 @ 5 pm*
- Cedar County Fair July 10-14*

A full schedule of events will be given at Orientation.

Throughout the entire competition judges will base their decision on personality, attitude, appearance, awareness, leadership, citizenship, charm, and poise. The competition consists of a group interview, one-on-one interview, and stage presence on Wednesday, July 10. Events prior to the fair will be noted in the judges' binders, so your presence & participation is highly encouraged.

We are requesting that each Queen candidate have a sponsor. Any organization, church, business, or individual can sponsor a candidate. Each sponsor shall donate a minimum of \$100 on the candidate's behalf. This \$100 will go towards prizes, activities & awards for the contestants. If you need assistance finding a sponsor, please contact Molly.

If you have any questions with regards to the above information or the application, please feel free to contact Molly Haub or Jenny Jackson at thecedarcountyfair@gmail.com. We wish all the candidates the best of luck!

DEADLINE TO APPLY: MAY 1, 2024



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General Information

Contestant Name:
Permanent Address:
Queen's Phone Number:
Queen's Email:
Birthday:
Grade (Fall 2022):
School (Fall 2022):
Age (as of Aug 11, 2022):
Major (college):

Parent/Guardian's Name(s):
Parent/Guardian's Phone Number:
Parent/Guardian's Email:
Queen T-shirt Size:

Essay Questions

Most Recent GPA:

Please respond to the following questions in 1-2 short paragraphs, unless otherwise stated

- 1. Describe your involvement in school, including but not limited to, organizational leadership in clubs, groups, and other interests.
- 2. Describe your involvement in the community outside of school groups. Please include any volunteerism.
- 3. Describe your hobbies and interests outside of school and community. What do you like to do in your free time?
- 4. Describe any awards and/or honors you have received for any of the above involvements.
- 5. Describe your future plans, including but not limited to, future study plans, where you see yourself in 5 years, and lifelong goals.
- 6. Why do you want to be the Cedar County Fair Queen? (Please describe in 1 page or less)

If Selected as the 2024 Cedar County Fair Queen, would you be able to participate in the State Fair Queen Contest Activities held Tuesday, August 6 through Saturday, August 10

YES NO

Help us get to know you better answer each of the following questions in 2 sentences or less.



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Contestant Name:
What are three words that describe you?
What do you like to do in your spare time?
What's your life's dream or ambition?
What's your life's philosophy?
What prompted you to compete for this title?
What do you hope to get out of this experience?

Other interesting fact(s)?







CEDAR COUNTY FAIR QUEEN Authorization Form

The information on the Cedar County Fair Queen Application will be used by the judges as part of their decision-making process to determine who will become the Cedar County Fair Queen. Questions for the Queen's interviews may come from this application form. It is assumed by the judges that all parts of this application are true. Any falsification of this form will be grounds for permanent disqualification from this contest and future Cedar County Queen Contests.

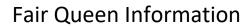
In addition, if chosen to the Cedar County Fair Queen I agree to make appearances at the Cedar County Fair and to attend outside parades/events as requested by the Fair Board and Queen Coordinator. In the event that I am crowned Cedar County Fair Queen, I am available to attend the Iowa State Fair Queen Pageant Tuesday, August 6 – Saturday, August 10, 2024, in Des Moines. I also understand that if crowned at the Iowa State Fair I am expected to make appearances at the State Fair as requested by the state committee.

Candidates are encouraged to participate in the Cedar County Fair Queen Contest *regardless* of their ability to attend the State Fair Queen Contest, understanding that even though preference will be given to candidates who can attend the Iowa State Fair Contest, they will still have a great time on the court and in the Cedar County Queen Court activities.

Candidates Signature:
Date:
PARENT/GUARDIAN: I authorize my daughter to participate in the Cedar County Fair Queen Contest. I understand that if my daughter wins this contest, she will advance to the Iowa State Fair Queen contest and will be expected to be at the State Fair, August 6 – 10, 2024.
Parent/Guardian Signature:
Date:

Please return this form with your application and fee from your sponsor by <u>May 1, 2024,</u> to the Cedar County Fair Office, PO Box 324, Tipton, IA 52772 or email to Molly or Jenny at thecedarcountyfair@gmail.com.







2024 CEDAR COUNTY FAIR QUEEN RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1. Each contestant must be at least 16 years of age and not more than 21 years of age on Aug 10, 2024, the first day of the 2024 lowa State Fair.
- 2. Contestants must never have been married.
- A county fair queen must reside in the county she represents or an adjoining county if
 the majority of her activities are in the county she represents. If a fair represents more
 than one county, the winning contestant must reside in one of the participating
 counties.
- Each contestant must be an active member of at least one service organization in her community such as a church group, Girl Scouts, 4-H, FFA, etc. (Eligibility is not limited to 4-H membership.)
- 5. No professional model (one who has had ongoing employment in which modeling was the primary part of the job) is eligible to compete in the state competition.
- 6. Any contestant who has competed at a State Fair Finals may not compete again.
- 7. It is the responsibility of each contestant to make arrangements for transportation to and from Des Moines. Accommodations will be made for county queen only.
- 8. The county fair queens will be the guests of the Iowa State Fair Tuesday, August 6, through the time of the crowning Saturday afternoon, August 10, 2022.
- 9. A competent committee will select the Cedar County Fair Queen. Judging will be based on the following:

Personality, Attitude, Appearance and Awareness Leadership and Citizenship - Contribution to Community Overall Appearance, Charm, Poise



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- 10. The winner of the county competition will be crowned "2024 Cedar County Fair Queen." The 2024 Queen will be required to be actively representing the fair at the Fairgrounds for the entire 2024 fair, although all contestants are encouraged to participate as the 2024 Queen Court at the fair.
- 11. If the winner cannot reign until a new queen is crowned at the 2025 Fair, she must forfeit her title and all awards associated with it to the first runner-up. She may then accept the title and awards of the first runner-up.
- 12. The reigning 2024 Cedar County Fair Queen is expected to conduct herself in a manner that reflects positively on herself, her family, and on the Cedar County Fair. Should the reigning Cedar County Fair Queen become involved in any activity, including drug, alcohol, or tobacco related offense that reflects negatively on herself, her family, or the Cedar County Fair, she may be required to forfeit her crown, title and rights to the scholarship award to the first runner-up.
- 13. Should the 2024 Cedar County Fair Queen marry or become ineligible before the 2025 queen is crowned, she will forfeit her title, crown and rights to the scholarship award to the first runner-up. Should the first runner-up marry or become ineligible, she will forfeit title, crown and rights to the scholarship to the second runner-up.
- 14. The Cedar County Fair Board reserves the right to change and interpret the foregoing rules and regulations at any time as may be deemed expedient.