

# 2023 FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR QUEEN CONTEST RULES & NOMINATION BALLOT

Queen Committee:  
Jennie Barkema, Abby Baltes, Kirsten Suntken

1. Contestants must be at least 16 but not more than 21 years of age on August 10, 2023.
2. Contestants must never have been married. The Franklin County Fair Queen will relinquish her crown and title if she marries during the year following the 2023 fair.
3. 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.
4. Each contestant must be an active member of at least one service organization in her community such as church groups, Girl Scouts, 4-H Club, FFA etc. *Eligibility is not limited To 4-H or FFA 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 fair queen competition.
6. Judging will take place on Saturday, July 8th, 2023 at the Franklin County Fairgrounds.
7. Each contestant is to appear for judging in a formal dress, street dress or suit and casual wear.
8. Judging criteria for both the county and state level are as follows.
  - A. Personality, Attitude, and Awareness
  - B. Leadership and Citizenship
  - C. Overall Appearance, Charm and Poise
9. The judging panel will consist of a minimum of three judges from outside **Franklin County**.
10. The winner of the Franklin County Fair Queen contest will be crowned on Thursday, July 13, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. The 2023 queen will be required to remain at the fair for the remainder of the fair. This includes daily appearances at the 2023 Fair and the 2024 parade and first 2 days of the 2024 Fair.
11. The reigning 2023 Franklin County Fair Queen is expected to conduct herself in a manner that reflects positively on herself, her family and on the Franklin County Fair. Should the reigning Franklin County Fair Queen become involved in any activity including a drug, alcohol or tobacco related offense that reflects negatively on herself, her family or the Franklin County Fair, she may be required to forfeit her crown, title and rights to the scholarship to the first runner-up.

12. Each entrant in the state fair competition, must be selected from a competitive queen contest at her county fair. Alternates will be considered in order of selection in the event that the queen is unable to participate at the state fair.
13. Any contestant who has competed at the state fair may not compete again.
14. It is the responsibility of the fair queen to make arrangements for transportation to and from Des Moines for the state competition. Accommodations will be made for the county fair queen only.
15. The county fair queen will be required to attend orientation Tuesday August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The county fair queens will be guests of the Iowa State Fair from Tuesday, August 8th through the time of crowning on Saturday, August 12, 2023. The 2023 Iowa State Fair Queen will be required to remain at the fairgrounds for the remaining of the 2023 State Fair.
16. **The Franklin County Fair Queen Committee reserves the right to change and interpret the foregoing rules and regulations at any time as may deem necessary.**

**NOMINATION BALLOT**

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINATIONS DUE TO FAIR OFFICE BY NOON ON APRIL 28, 2023 OR POSTMARKED THE 28TH**

**NOMINATION BALLOT**

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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