

Dear WV Three Rivers Festival Junior Royalty Contestants, on behalf of the Festival board members and staff, we want to <u>welcome</u> you to our pageant family! We are excited that you have been selected to participate in the 2023 Little Miss WV Three Rivers Festival (5-7), WV Three Rivers Festival Junior Miss (8-10), Jr. Teen WV Three Rivers Festival (11-14). You will find a full detailed as follows.

VENUE: Fairmont Senior High: 1 Loop Park Dr., Fairmont, WV 26554

Practice will be held on the day of the pageant

SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH

7pm Teen & Queen Pageant

Admission: Adults: \$20.00 - Students & Children \$10 and must be paid for with cash. *Junior Royalty Contestants will receive a free entry & (1) Parent will receive ticket at*

Student discount price

SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH

10am Doors Open for contestants to settle in the dressing rooms (drop off area see map below)

10:30-11 Meet & Greet/ Orientation (only 1 parent per contestant)

11-1230 Closed Practice (only contestants)

12:30 -1 *Lunch

1pm Closed Practice (Contestants Only) *Jr. Teen Moms can return in preparation for interviews.*2pm Interviews for Jr. Teen (2:30 Little Miss & Jr. Miss moms can return for preparation)

3:00pm Doors Open to public parents/ guardians must clear the dressing rooms

3:15pm GROUP PHOTO (on stage) **contestants MUST be ready.**

3:30pm Pageant Begins

Admission (cash only)

4/16: Junior Royalty: \$10 for adults; \$5 for children (6-12); 5 and under is free.

1 free parent ticket: wrist band will be provided at orientation which will allow backstage access in between phases of competition.

Plan to have as many people as possible attend. It provides an extra boost of confidence for you to hear your cheering section when you are on the stage!

Program Books: \$10 each

<u>PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD</u>: will run April 3-13th located on our website <u>www.wvthreeriversfestival.com</u> under the People's Choice Award Tab: Junior Royalty

EACH VOTE IS \$1 - THERE IS NO LIMIT!!

Simply Click DONATE under the contestant's photo, select the quality of votes, and check out.

ONLY <u>ONE</u> WITH THE MOST VOTES WILL WIN THE 2023 WV THREE RIVERS FESTIVAL People's Choice Award & 18" Trophy.

QUEEN OF HOPE AWARD: (OPTIONAL) we strongly encourage contestants to participate and donate supplies in need for the Marion County's Humane Society- a no kill animal rescue, pet adoption shelter here in Fairmont. ONE contestant who donated the most items will win this award along with an 18" trophy. A list of items needed can be found at https://www.mchswv.com/donate

PLEASE BRING A SHEET OF PAPER WITH CONTESTANTS NAME & NUMBER OF ITEMS DONATED- ITEMS WILL BE PLACED AT THE ADMISSIONS TABLE DURING REGISTRATION

<u>Phases of Competition</u> - Opening Number, Fun Fashion, Evening Gown (*Personal Interviews: Ages 11-14*) **Interview:** Jr. Teen contestants (*ONLY*) will have a 3-4-minute interview with the Judges. Contestants will wear their Opening Number outfit (t-shirt provided and white bottoms).

Opening Number - Each contestant will wear the t-shirt provided by the festival given at Meet & Greet/ Orientation. T-Shirt Color will be **BLACK with white lettering**. The t-shirt must be worn with any **white** bottom (shorts, skirt, capris, and jeans), a black belt and white shoes (any style). Contestants will learn a very simple dance number and walk on stage so make sure whatever shoes they wear they are comfortable and able to walk in.

Fun Fashion: Contestants will choose an ensemble resembling runway/fashion being a party dress, cocktail, or a high low, which brings out their personality. BE CREATIVE!!

Oliverio's Bridal- Prom- Pageant is our major sponsor and they have several options in stock!

Evening Gown: any color gown which floor length must be and appropriate for their age.

Leanna Hamilton is our Choreographer again this year and will make sure of a simple routine.

Pageant Day: Please Note pageant start time is 3:30PM. Doors will open at 3pm to public. *Try to have contestants* arrive hair and make-up ready! Contestants can wear something comfortable during rehearsals.

Jr. Teens who interview will have time to change into their opening number outfit before interview.

*Lunch: provided by the Three Rivers Festival and Sponsors: bagged lunch will consist of Peperoni Roll, Fruit, chips and drinks.

Back Stage Rules: only 1 parent/guardian is allowed backstage in the dressing room. (Wrist band must be worn)

If any child has medical needs or food allergens please let us know at orientation

LOCAL HOTELS:

Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Fairmont 304-367-9150 Hampton Inn Fairmont 304-363-4999 Holiday Inn Express & Suites Fairmont 304-816-5133 Microtel Inn & Suites 304-363-3100

Reminders:

Contestants will be posted on April 1st
THE POKY DOT IS OPEN NOW!!!
DON'T FORGET the People's Choice Award & Queen of Hope!

DROP OFF AREA: (we will have yard signs) turn onto Mt. Vernon Ave – (Right) onto 8^{th} Street-REMAIN SLIGHT <u>RIGHT</u> onto Park Drive which goes behind the school.

Parking: Family & Friends: parking as circled on map- Main entrance in front of school

