

## **Miss Howard County Junior Queen**

### **Mission**

This pageant is intended to allow young ladies to experience the Howard County Queen Pageant process. Even though this is a competitive pageant, I want to stress the importance for each contestant to take advantage of this opportunity to develop life skills such as confidence, individuality, and self esteem.

### **Rules**

1. Each female contestant must be at least 11 years of age and cannot have had her 17<sup>th</sup> birthday as of June 1, 2018.
2. Must be a resident of Howard County.
3. Must not be nor ever been married or pregnant.
4. Parents may sponsor the female contestant. Pageant staff recommends contestants seek business sponsorship.
5. Sponsorship fee, biography, and signed rule sheet must be received no later than July 1, 2018. Any of the above received after this date will make contestant ineligible to participate. Registration fees will not be refunded for any reason.
6. Each female contestant will be limited to two female chaperons in dressing area.
7. To limit the cost for families, absolutely no formal wear will be allowed. Pageant staff recommends informal dress. Contact pageant staff for clarification.
8. Minimal make up is allowed. Make up should enhance the female contestant's natural beauty.
9. Female contestants will be judged on poise, stage presence, and overall impression.
10. The top four female contestants will also be judged on the ability to converse.
11. Female contestants will be required to attend the rehearsal.
12. Pageant date will be July 9, 2018.
13. There will be three runners up and a junior queen selected by a panel of appointed judges.

14. As the winner of the pageant, the Junior Queen will spend a day at the fair with Miss Howard County 2018 for lunch and other activities.

As the parent/legal guardian of the contestant, I have read and agree to abide by the rules as stated above.

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Signature of parent or legal guardian of contestant

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Date