2025 Louisiana Corn Festival Queen's Pageant Sunday, April 6, 2025 Pageant at 2:00 PM; Doors will NOT open until 1:00 PM

Bunkie High Gymnasium

435 Evergreen Street Bunkie,

LA 71322

Guidelines & Registration

Deadline: April 2nd, 2025 \$80 Deb and Jr Miss \$100 Teen and Miss (Make check payable to LA Corn Festival)

Age Divisions

Deb Miss Ages 9-10
Jr. Miss Ages 11-13
Teen Miss Ages 14-16
Miss Ages 17-22

Contestants will be judged on Beauty, Poise, Personality, Presentation, and Overall Appearance. Contestants **must** be single and reside in the state of Louisiana. Your knowledge of the Louisiana Corn Festival and City of Bunkie is a **requirement**. Every contestant **MUST** submit a **5x7 photo** of your choice attached with your application. Winners **MUST** represent the Louisiana Corn Festival Association and Bunkie Chamber of Commerce with a high standard and to the best of their ability. Please read your age division contract carefully!

Awards: Queens will receive a Custom Corn Crown, Monogrammed banner, flowers, and gift. 1st and 2nd alternates will receive medallion and flowers. **Miss Queen** after fulfilling her obligations will receive a \$1,000 scholarship after her reign.

Judging Categories:

Interview: Deb and Jr. contestants will have a three-minute meet and greet with the judges. Teen Contestants will have a seven-minute interview and Miss Contestants will have a ten-minute interview. Attire will be the decorated festival T-shirt and appropriate bottoms. Contestants must be knowledgeable about the festival, city, and parish. Scheduled Interview times will begin Sunday, April 6th at 10:00 am. Please arrive at the Bunkie Depot, (110 N

Main St., Bunkie LA 71322) no later than 9:45 am. **ONLY ONE PERSON ALLOWED WITH EACH CONTESTANT AT THE DEPOT FOR INTERVIEWS.**

Festival-wear: The evening pageant will begin with Deb, Junior, Teen, and Miss contestants modeling Festival-wear. Attire for this competition should be the 2025 Festival T-shirt (decorated) appropriate bottoms and coordinating shoes. The color combination is your choice and festival colors (green/yellow) are allowed and encouraged. Attire must be appropriate (no shorter than fingertip length, no midriffs, etc.) You will be judged on your overall presentation, personality appearance, and grooming. There will be an award for the best-decorated T-shirt out of all contestants.

Introduction: Deb, Junior, Teen, and Miss will introduce themselves during the festival-wear competition. Each contestant will need to prepare an introduction no longer than 45 seconds. Introductions should include your name, contestant number, and facts regarding the Louisiana Corn Festival. The introduction should be what a Louisiana Corn Festival queen would say when inviting people from around the state to visit our festival.

Formal wear: Deb, Junior, Teen, and Miss will compete in a floor-length evening dress of her choice.

On-stage Question: Miss contestants only, will answer an onstage question regarding her representation of the festival following the formal-wear competition. The question will pertain to the Louisiana Corn Festival.

Additional awards:

Photogenic: There will be a photogenic winner in each age division. Each contestant must submit a recent 5x7 photograph with her application. Name and age group must be written on the back of photo. Please send pictures with application by the deadline application of April 2nd. Pictures will not be accepted the day of the pageant. Pictures will be available to take home after the pageant but will not be mailed after the pageant. Winners will receive a small gift.

People's Choice: Contestants names will be placed on a special envelope for supporters to cast votes during the pageant, each vote is a \$1 donation. The People's Choice Award votes have no bearing on the judge's decision. Winner will receive a gift.

Best Decorated T-shirt: Judges will choose their favorite decorated festival shirt. The winner will receive a gift. This has no bearing on the contestants' overall score.

Contract

PLEASE READ CONTRACT FOR YOUR AGE DIVISION. Queens in each division will be required to sign the contract for their age-division at the conclusion of the pageant. ALL Queens must be available for the week prior to the festival and festival weekend June 12th, 13th and 14th 2025. All Queens will be required to sign a contract with the Louisiana Corn Festival and will be required to attend certain events during reign. Miss Queen must compete at the Louisiana Fair and Festivals (LAFF) Convention in Baton Rouge in February of 2026.

Contest Policies:

- Contestants and parents must present exemplary and "lady-like" behavior leading up to the pageant, practice, interview, and during the pageant, including all social media aspects.
- Winners may hold a title in an age category ONLY once.
- Judges are aware of rules and regulations and their decisions are final.
- Registration fees are non-refundable
- Please do not call or email the office or any pageant representative to ask how many are in a group.
- Cover charge at door is \$5.00 for ALL spectators; 3 & under are free. Please advise your guests.
- If you would like a copy of your scores please furnish a stamped self-addressed envelope with your entry form. Allow three weeks.

*For contest updates

Entry Forms can be submitted by the following options:

Deadline: Wednesday, April 2nd 12(noon)

Please make checks payable to LA Corn Fest Pageant or pay online bunkiechamber.org

- Email: Submit form to <u>lacornfestqueen@gmail.com</u>.
- Postal Mail: LA Corn Festival, PO Box 70, Bunkie, LA 71322
- Hand Delivered To: The Bunkie Chamber of Commerce, 110 NW Main St., Bunkie, LA, if no one is there, please place your form and check in the Drop Box located at the front entrance.
 Office hours: Tuesday – Thursday 9am – 2pm

For More Information Contact Pageant Directors:

Mallory Lemoine Clark, <u>mallory.lemoine01@gmail.com</u> Cell# (318) 717-2450 Lele Soileau, <u>claraleighn@gmail.com</u>, Cell# (318) 240-4655

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Deb, Jr., Teen, and Miss Queen Entry Form Pageant: April 6, 2025 Deadline: April 2, 2025

*Must be in Print or Typed, attach required 5x7 photo using paper clip to Entry Form

Contestant Name				
Date of Birth	Age	Hair:	Eyes	
Physical address		City _		Zip
Mailing address		City		Zip
Email address:		Cell	Phone	
Parents/Guardians Name(s	5)			
Parents/Guardian Email			Cell #	
School Attending				
Major (if in College)		Graduate of:		
Sponsor:				
My honors and awards inc	lude:			
List any community, volunt	teer activities, cl	lubs, and/or organiz	ations in which yo	ou participate:

My hobbies and interest are:
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My Top 3 priorities are:
1
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My ambition in life is:
What is your favorite part of the Louisiana Corn Festival?

I do hereby agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the pageant. I agree that the pageant or the facilities where the pageant is being held are in no way responsible for any lost or stolen items or injuries that may occur during the pageant, festival, or any functions attended to represent the Louisiana Corn Festival. I agree that the judge's decision will be final and that my family and I will show forth good conduct at all times. I have read the

Queen's contract for my age division and I understand and agree to perform all duties required of me by the Louisiana Corn Festival Committee if I am chosen Queen.
Contestant signature
Parent/Guardian signature (If under 18)