

2019 Meigs County Fair Royalty Code of Conduct and Eligibility Rules and Regulations

1. Each contestant must be a resident of Ohio and a member of a Meigs County 4 H club, FFA chapter, Boy Scout Troop, Girl Scout Troop, or Grange.
2. Each contestant must be between the ages of 16 and 19 years of age as of January 1 of the same year as the contest to run for King and Queen. Age for Livestock Prince and Princess is 9 to 15 years.
3. Each contestant may not be married, not have been married, have borne a child, or be with child.
4. Each contestant must have an exhibit in some form entered into the Jr. Fair.
5. A current photo must be attached to the contestant's application or points will be deducted. All photos become property of the Fair Board and will not be returned.
6. Interviews will take place at the Meigs County Extension office on **7-21-19 at 1pm**. This date has been announced several months before the interviews. **No interviews will take place any day other than the scheduled interview day and location.** An applicant going on vacation, working or attending another function will not be accepted; exception to this would need to be approved before 1pm the day of judging with the royalty committee, royalty advisors, and the Jr. Fair Coordinator in a unanimous decision.
7. Dress for the contest is business attire (dress or dress pants and blouse for the girls and dress pants and shirt and tie for the boys). Your appearance is important and part of your overall score. A photo will be taken at the interview for publications.
8. Winners will be announced at the Junior Fair Parade on Sunday before the fair starts. Boys should wear dress pants and tie and girls will wear dress clothes and proper shoes for the race track. Weather may change this location. You must provide your own transportation for the parade and be at the parade 30 minutes before start time.
9. The Queen and Livestock Princess will receive a crown and sash, as well as attendants.
10. The King and Prince will receive a hat and sash, as well as attendants.
11. If the current reigning royalty is dismissed from their position then the position will remain **unfilled** for that year. Reign is for one year, even if no one else competes for the position next year.
12. If the reigning King or Queen is unable to attend a function, runner-up may attend in their place approved by the royalty advisors and/or Jr. Fair Coordinator – Jenna Meeks.
13. Royalty is expected to wear their royalty attire (Queen/princess-crown and sash. King and Prince sash) during the week of the fair except when showing livestock or working with their livestock. Royalty are expected to make appearances and assist with all shows and help hand out awards, especially on sale day. Royalty will remain highly visible the week of the fair. This means proper dress at all times. Bring extra clothes in your vehicle in case you get wet or dirty.
What is proper dress? No bare midriffs or cutoff tops, no low-cut tops, no spaghetti or strapless dresses without a jacket or sweater, no ragged, ripped or torn clothing, no clothing promoting alcoholic beverages or foul and disrespectful language. Dresses and skirts must touch the fingertips (The big fan in the show arena will cause your dress to flip). NEW in 2019, the Senior Fair Board has approved the Royalty to wear jeans, but the jeans are not to be too tight, nor can they have holes or rips-ABSOLUTELY no shorts will be acceptable. No flip flops, sandals, or dress shoes around large animals due to safety concerns. If you are asked to change, please be the young adult we expect you to be and change without question. **Violations of the dress code policy may be reason to be removed as royalty. You are representing the Meigs County Fair.**

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15. A schedule will be given to you of the events that we are expecting you to be at during the week after the crowning. If for some reason you can not attend, please let the royalty advisor or Jr. Fair Coordinator – Jenna Meeks know.

16. Royalty is at no time permitted to use tobacco products or alcohol. This is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Any Royalty attending an event and representing the fair wearing their crown and sash seen using tobacco or alcohol will be removed from their position.

17. Profanity while representing the fair will be a reason to be removed from your position. The same goes for fighting.

18. No public displays of affection while in the crown and sash.

19. The Jr. and Sr. Fair Boards expect courteous and orderly conduct by the applicants and their families. Harassment, profanity, or questionable conduct towards the fair officials, judges, coordinators, or others **WILL NOT BE TOLERATED**. Violators will be escorted from the fairgrounds.

20. All functions attended by the Meigs County Royalty should be approved in advance (if you can go as a group, you will get more enjoyment). All transportation to events will be up to the individual wanting to participate. Attendance at county fairs should take precedence over festivals, but festivals are good for representing the Meigs County Fair also. It is expected that the Meigs County Royalty will try to attend the Pomeroy and Middleport Christmas Parades, Racine and Rutland 4th of July Parades, and the Gallia County Fair, and Athens County Fair as a minimum.

21. The Meigs County Fair Queen is expected to compete at The Ohio Fair’s Queen Contest (unless there is an emergency and if so the Royalty advisor and Jr Fair Board Coordinator must be notified immediately). Fees for entry and one nights lodging will be paid for Sr Fair Board. All other fees are to be paid by the Meigs County Fair Queen.

22. If you have served as royalty in the past and the minimum requirements were not met during that reign you will be ineligible to run in the future competitions.

For questions or concerns at any time (before, during, or after fair) please contact any of the following people:

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(740) 444-2498

BY SIGNING THIS, I AGREE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE RULES AND WILL ABIDE BY THEM IF CHOSEN TO BE KING, QUEEN, 1ST RUNNER-UP, LIVESTOCK PRINCE, OR LIVESTOCK PRINCESS OF THE 2019 MEIGS COUNTY FAIR.

APPLICANTS
SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN
SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____