

Kendall County Fair Association

Queen's Contest

Code of Ethics

As a Kendall County Fair Court member, you are expected to conduct yourself with dignity and respect for your county and community. As a member of the Court, you are expected to set higher standards of conduct because you are in the prominent role of representing the entire community of Kendall County. Your conduct must be above and beyond questions at all times. This also includes all times that you are on or off campus of school, be it elementary or high school. It is stressed that the Kendall County Fair Association Queen's Court Committee has the authority to revoke any title when any member on the Court does not meet requirements.

Obligation, Duties, Conduct, and Appearance

Obligations

1. Each contestant selected for the Queen's Court must realize that she must remain in compliance with the rules stated in this Code of ethics and the rules of the school that she attends, at all times.
2. Throughout their year of reign, the selected Queen's Court agrees to ride on the Kendall County Fair Association's float and appear at other functions the Queen's Court Committee sees fit.
3. Throughout their year of reign, a member of the Queen's Court may miss no more than **two** non-exempt event appearances or that member will forfeit her title where all other members of the Queen's Court will move up accordingly. This includes the changing of crowns, sash buckle, jacket and scholarships. School sponsored events may not count as a miss, but we urge each of you to make effort to attend all parades and other functions. Sport activities are not exempt.
4. Contestants must not miss more than (15) days of school attendance and maintain a "C" average in all of the "core subjects", which include math, science, social studies and language arts. If a member of the Court is found to be failing, she will have the regular grading period to bring her grades up to a passing level. She may continue to ride the float during this period. If after the grading period has passed, and the member of the Court has not brought her grade up to passing, she will not be allowed to ride or participate in any Kendall County Fair Association sponsored events for the next grading period. If she has brought her grade up to passing at the end of the second grading period, she may continue to ride on the float and represent Kendall County. If in that time period she has not brought her grades up to passing, she will be removed from the court.

Duties

1. Members of the Kendall County Fair Queen's Court must be willing to share in the work that it takes to improve their Court, their float, their fairgrounds and to work together to resolve any conflict or problem which is involved with the Court.
2. Members of the Kendall County Fair Queen's Court must be willing to prepare a scrapbook during their reign to give to the Kendall County Fair Association to chronicle their year.
3. Members of the Kendall County Fair Queen's Court must be willing to participate in community service projects as assigned by the Queen's Court committee.

Conduct

1. If any member of the Court is cited or charged with a minor in possession, minor in consumption, DUI, or DWI, you will accept permanent removal from the Queen's Court. Your best course of action is to avoid any circumstances that would jeopardize your participation.
2. Any member of the court cited for unlawful acts by law enforcement agencies will accept permanent removal from the Court.
3. Any member of the Court cited for stealing or willfully destroying school or community property will accept permanent removal from the Court.
4. Tobacco products are expressly prohibited. Use of such is subject to removal from the Court.
5. It is noted that attendance at "parties" where alcoholic beverages are being served will often have you guilty through association and therefore could make it necessary that you prove your innocence. It is recommended that you do not attend these "parties" during your reign.
6. Illegal drugs are expressly prohibited. If you are caught with the possession or use of any illegal drugs, the results will be permanent removal from the Court.
7. If a member of the Court becomes married or pregnant, she will accept removal from the Court.
8. As a representative of the Court, you are expected to maintain a favorable attitude and conduct yourself as a young woman should. This means that if any uncomfortable situations arise with another individual(s), you walk away or get a parent or sponsor to help you in that situation. Repeated misconduct will result in your permanent removal from the Court.
9. All members of the Court must refrain from any public displays of affection while in sash or crown and at any Kendall County Fair Association sponsored event. School rules concerning POA will apply.

Appearance

1. The Court will wear the attire chosen by the Kendall County Air Queen's Court Committee at all parade functions. If any other function is attended, other than a parade, the dress will be discussed prior to that particular function. Also, the Committee will decide when and where it is appropriate to wear the sash and crown when attending a parade or function. A member of the Court is not allowed, at her own discretion, to decide when and where she wants to wear them.
2. While attending functions as a representative of the Kendall County Fair Association, short shorts, short skirts or showing the mid-drift is prohibited. Hair color is to be kept at natural hues.
3. The Queen's Court committee shall have the right to remove any member of the Court from participating in an event for attire that is inappropriate.
4. Members of the Court should keep a smile on their faces!

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Rules and Regulations

1. Each Miss Kendall County contestant will prepare a two-minute maximum speech that will be given during the private interview with the panel of judges. The topic for the speech is: "Why I should be the next Kendall County Fair Queen." Little Miss Contestants will participate in question and answer session with judges.
2. Information gathered on the "Tell us about yourself" page will be used to write a short personal introduction to be given on stage.
3. All contestants should never have been previously married, married nor had children.
4. All Miss Kendall County contestants will be required to get 2 letters of recommendation from someone other than immediate family. (For example ... Teacher, Employer, Business Owner, Pastor or Community Leader)
5. The reigning Kendall County Fair Queen may not enter the contest again. The reigning Princess or Duchess may enter again if she meets all other eligibility requirements. The reigning Little Miss may not enter the Little Miss contest again, but will be eligible to participate in the Queen's contest when she meets age and other requirements at that time.
6. All decisions of the judges are final. All results remain the property of the Kendall County Fair Association's Queen's Court Committee and shall not be accessible to the public. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
7. Contestants will be judged on the following:

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8. Each contestant will receive one (1) gate pass that may be used during the Fair Weekend.
9. The Court will reign from the day of coronation until the selection of their successors. They must be available for all parades, television and/or radio interviews, and other promotional appearances in Kendall and the surrounding counties. These activities are generally on the weekends and a work schedule should not interfere or conflict with Kendall County Fair Association's requirements. Parental guidance and cooperation with the Kendall County Fair Queen's Contest Committee in every aspect during the reign of the Court is a most necessary requirement.
10. Each contestant and a parent or guardian must become a member of the Kendall County Fair Association to participate in the contest. Applications are included in this packet.

11. Prizes and Scholarships:

Queen: Crown, Sash, \$2000 Scholarship and Trophy Belt Buckle.

Princess: Crown, Sash and \$1500 Scholarship.

Duchess: Crown, Sash and \$750 Scholarship.

1st Runner Up (Miss & Little Miss): Crown & Sash

Little Miss: Crown, Banner and a \$500 Savings Bond.

12. 1st Runner Up and Little Miss 1st Runner-Up will be recognized on stage during the pageant. She may be called upon to fill in at any time a member of the Queen's Court is unavailable. This may include parades, Chamber Mixers and other functions as requested. The 1st Runner Up will be required to adhere to the same rules and regulations as the other members of the Queen's Court.

13. The Queen, Princess, Duchess, 1st Runner-Up, Little Miss and Little Miss 1st Runner-Up will forfeit all prizes and scholarship in the event of any of the following:

a. Withdrawal from elementary or high school.

b. Pregnancy

c. Marriage

d. Smoking, drinking of alcoholic beverages, use of illegal substances, or any behaviors, which would reflect poorly on themselves, the rest of the Court, the Queen's Contest Committee, or the KCFA.

e. Any event not listed above but discussed in the Code of Ethics.

14. The Kendall County Fair Queen's Court is responsible for checking with the Queen's Court Committee for all information pertaining to parades, activities, schedules, attire, etc.

15. The Queen, Princess, Duchess and Little Miss will be required, at their own expense, to furnish clothing for required appearances. The choice of clothing is at the discretion of the Contest Committee. **Contest night will be formal attire. Reigning period will be western wear!**

16. Due to the time and dedication required of the Court, no contestant may hold 2 titles simultaneously. The only exception to this will be the Kendall County Fair Queen shall be eligible, at her own expense, to represent the Kendall County Fair Association at the Miss Rodeo Texas Teen Contest.

17. Any un-sportsmanlike conduct by any contestant, parent or guardian will not be tolerated and may result in disqualification from the contest.

18. Use of alcohol, drugs or profanity by any contestant or titleholder is strictly prohibited and may result in disqualification from the contest.

19. The Kendall County Fair Association Board of Directors gives the Queen's Court Committee all authority to make decisions on a case by case basis. All decisions are final.

* I have read the Kendall County Fair Association Code of Ethics and the Rules and Regulations. By signing the below, I am agreeing that I understand and will abide by the Code of Ethics and Rules & Regulations. I understand that if I violate the Code of Ethics or the Rules and Regulations, I am subject to review by the Kendall County Fair Queen's Contest Committee and the K.C.F.A. Board of Directors and will honor their decisions.

I certify that the information provided on this application is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand if chosen to serve on the Kendall County Queen's Court, any false, misleading information or omission of fact given in this application or interview may result in immediate removal from the Court.

Contestant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Subscribed and sworn to me this _____ day of _____ 20_____.

Signature: _____ My Commission expires: _____
Notary Public

* Important: *Please read all information in this packet before signing!*

Thank you in advance,

Kendall County Fair Queen's Court Committee