

# 2019 FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL®

## JUNIOR ROYALTY PAGEANT

### RULES AND REGULATIONS & GENERAL INFORMATION

Sponsored by the Florida Strawberry Festival®  
Saturday, January 12, 2019, Florida Strawberry Festival  
Location: Grimes Agricultural Show Center - 6:00 P.M.

Chairperson: Mrs. Kay Varnum 813-967-6472  
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**Rules Available:** Now, at [www.flstrawberryfestival.com](http://www.flstrawberryfestival.com) **Applications Available:**  
**Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018** at Registration. **Registration: Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
– **TECO Expo Hall Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Doors close at 7:00 p.m. Age**  
**Restrictions:** 5 to 15 year olds as of January 1, 2019

There will be four age classifications as follows, with a winner, first maid and three court members in each group. There will be a limited number of 30 contestants in each group. The 30 contestants for each age group will be chosen by a Drawing.

#### **Royal Court**

5-6 year olds.... Baroness	10-12 year olds.... Princess
7-9 year olds.... Duchess	13-15 year olds.... Queen

#### **APPLICATIONS AND REGISTRATION:**

Applications (no sponsors, please) will be distributed at Registration on: **Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018** from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. in the Expo Hall (festival grounds). The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. **NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER AFTER 7:00 P.M.** The 30 Contestants for each age group will be chosen by a Drawing. The Drawing will begin immediately after the doors close.

#### **ENTRY FEE:**

An Entry Fee of \$30.00 will be paid IF YOUR CHILD'S NAME IS DRAWN immediately after the Drawing.

**No refund after Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018. CREDIT CARDS NOT ACCEPTED.**

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

**Entry will be by Drawing only.** The Registration and Drawing will be on **Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018** in the TECO Expo Hall (festival grounds). The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and close promptly at 7:00 p.m. No one will be allowed to enter the building after 7:00 p.m. Each applicant will be given a Registration Form at the time they enter the Expo Hall and the Parent or Legal Guardian will complete the form. The Registration form will be color-coded according to age group -(Example 5-6 yr. Pink, 7-9 yr. Green, 10-12 yr. Yellow, 13-15 yr. Blue) When directed to do so, the Applicant will place her Registration form into a large barrel for Drawing. **Thirty (30)** contestants will be drawn for each age group. Any unfilled slots after the Drawing (October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018) will be filled on a first come - first serve basis through October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the Florida Strawberry Festival® Office. No more Candidates will be accepted after October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

- 1. Registration will be limited to one child per adult or legal guardian (18 years or older) unless they are sisters.**
2. Contestants must be between the ages of five and fifteen.
3. Contestants must be single, never have been married, and never have borne a child.
4. Contestant must be of good moral character and never have been convicted of a crime.

5. Contestant's domicile must be within Hillsborough County. (Proof of domicile may be required. Example: Electric Bill.)
6. Contestants will furnish their own apparel. Girls ages five through nine must wear short party dresses. Girls ages ten through fifteen must wear a long gown. No Gloves Or Tea Length Dresses For Any Age Group! No slits above the knee on any gowns. **\*\*\*Gowns with midriffs showing are Not Acceptable.**
7. Previous winners in the Junior Royalty Pageant are not eligible to compete in the same age group in which they won.
8. FOR SELECTED SEMIFINALISTS ONLY. The emcee will direct a question to the Contestant for a reply.
9. No farewell address or gifts of appreciation may be presented during the Pageant. No modification or replacement of banners or crowns presented during the pageant will be allowed.

### **PAGEANT WORKSHOP**

Contestants **MUST** attend Pageant Workshop: **THIS WILL BE THE ONLY WORKSHOP**  
**Monday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in the TECO Expo Hall**

**\*\*\*BARONESS, DUCHESS, PRINCESS & QUEEN WORKSHOP\*\*\* 6:00 p.m.**  
**Failure to attend this workshop will be cause for elimination from the Contest.**

### **COMPETITION REHEARSAL**

There will be a required Rehearsal for all Contestants on **Friday, January 11, 2019, 6:00 p.m.** at the **Florida Strawberry Festival, Grimes Agricultural Show Center.**  
Failure to attend Rehearsal will be cause for elimination from Contest.

**\*\*\*All cell phones are to be turned off and no calls incoming or outgoing during the Workshop, during Rehearsal or during the Pageant\*\*\*.**

### **COMPETITION**

The competition will be held **Saturday, January 12, 2019** at the **Florida Strawberry Festival, Grimes Agricultural Show Center - 6:00 p.m.**

Contestants will be judged on: **Personality (25%); Overall Appearance (25%); Natural Beauty and Smile (50%).**

**The backstage area will be closed to everyone except contestants, pageant directors, officials, and committee members.**

### **JUDGING PROCEDURE**

Judges' score sheets will not be reviewed with Contestants. Score sheets will be destroyed.

### **PRIZES**

In addition to the crown, each winner will receive a sash and a trophy. The top winner in each category will represent the Festival in her age group in the Youth Parade on **Saturday, March 2, 2019** and in the Grand Parade on **Monday, March 4, 2019** and in the annual Florida Strawberry Festival Fashion Show, **Thursday, January 24, 2019.**

**PAGEANT ADMISSION FEE CREDIT CARDS NOT ACCEPTED**

Each Entrant will receive two admission tickets good for the Pageant. There will be a \$10.00 admission fee for adults and children. Contestants will be admitted free of charge.