



# News Release

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### **2024 Junior Royalty winners crowned at Florida Strawberry Festival**

PLANT CITY, Fla. (Jan. 16, 2024) – The Florida Strawberry Festival crowned the winners of its annual Junior Royalty pageant this past weekend at the Grimes Family Agricultural Center on the festival grounds.

One-hundred-twenty-one registered contestants from 5 years old to 15 years old competed in four categories according to their ages: baroness, duchess, princess, and queen, respectively. From the top five finalists in each category, a first maid and a winner were chosen.

Brooke Browning was selected as Junior Royalty Queen; Ava Bikowski was chosen Junior Royalty Princess; Kezley Salinas was chosen Junior Royalty Duchess; Reagan Causey and was chosen Junior Royalty Baroness.

“It’s remarkable to see so many talented young ladies within our community,” said Florida Strawberry Festival Chairman Danny Doton. “Congratulations to our Junior Royalty winners, and to all the contestants who participated in the event. We wish them a fun and enjoyable year ahead!”

The Junior Royalty winners will represent the Florida Strawberry Festival throughout the year, making appearances at events and in the annual Plant City Christmas Parade and Grand Parade during the festival.

### **About the Florida Strawberry Festival**

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, more than 600,000 visitors enjoy the festival’s headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce and, of course, its

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strawberry shortcake. The 2024 Florida Strawberry Festival takes place February 29 through March 10 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit [www.flstrawberryfestival.com](http://www.flstrawberryfestival.com), Facebook, Instagram, and X, formerly known as Twitter. (#berryfest24)

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