

# **Inter-State Fair and Rodeo**

# **Pageant Welcome Packet**

2025

### Dear Contestant,

The 9th Annual Inter-State Fair and Rodeo Pageant is fast approaching. We invite you to apply for this special competition. The young women selected will have a year to make fun memories, receive many awards and the title of Inter-State Fair and Rodeo Miss, Princess, Little Miss or Sweetheart. This year's competition will take place on Sunday, August 10th, at the Inter-State Rodeo and Fairgrounds. There will be a BBQ dinner fundraiser and auction. Please plan to bring a fun themed basket to be auctioned off! Family and spectators are welcomed and encouraged to attend, the more funds we are able to raise directly increases the amount of prizes we are able to award!

The contest consists of horsemanship, modeling, personal interview, speech, impromptu questions and appearance for the Miss, Princess and Little Miss Divisions. The Sweetheart will be softly judged to help them grow their love for pageants but the overall winner will be based on sales. The overall Sweetheart will be announced Sunday, August 10th at the BBQ dinner. The panel of judges carefully evaluates the contestants, choosing the young women best suited to serve as Inter-State Fair and Rodeo Royalty for the upcoming year. The winning contestants have the opportunity to represent and promote the Inter-State Fair and Rodeo at several parades, rodeos and other special events throughout Kansas and Oklahoma during their one-year reign as Inter-State Fair and Rodeo Royalty. The parade will be held downtown at 5pm Wednesday, August 13th, contestants need to be ready to ride at 4:30pm. Awards will be announced during the Inter-State Fair and Rodeo on August 13th, all Miss, Princess and Little Miss contestants will need to be present and ready to ride in the grand entry at 7:15pm. Sweetheart contestants are welcome to attend and be introduced before the crowning. The newly crowned royalty will need to be present for night two of the rodeo on August 14th.

In this packet you will find the complete contestant packet which includes the written application, the pageant expectations, a release waiver, rules and regulations as well as contestant guidelines.

For an application to be complete contestants must submit a written application, signed waiver as well as a 5x7 photograph to the Pageant Chairmen or received in office by **July 25, 2025** (Coffeyville Area Chamber of Commerce - C/O ISFR Pageant - P.O. Box 457 - Coffeyville, KS 67337 or scanned and emailed to ISFRpageant@gmail.com).

We hope you will consider participating in the Inter-State Fair and Rodeo Pageant. Please give us a call (918-331-6696) or send us an email (ISFRpageant@gmail.com)if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kristi Taylor Pageant Chairman

## Pageant Rules

We are excited to bring you the 9th Annual Miss, Princess & Little Miss Pageant!! This year the Inter-State Fair & Rodeo (ISFR) will be held from August 10-16, 2025. Contestants will compete and appear in the parade on the 13th at 4pm. Coronation for the Miss, Princess and Little Miss will take place on Wednesday, August 13th during the PRCA Performance. The Sweetheart will be crowned at the BBQ dinner on August 10th. Prizes for Miss, Princess and Little Miss will be awarded to participants immediately following the Coronation at the Rodeo Office at the South end of the arena; parents are welcome to come inside the fence.

## Entry Information

- Applications and a headshot must be submitted by JULY 25, 2025. Applications can be submitted to ISFRpageant@gmail.com and entry fees sent to: Coffeyville Area Chamber of Commerce C/O ISFR Pageant P.O. Box 457 Coffeyville, KS 67337
  - A. Applications are available on the ISFR Website: www.fairandrodeo.com under the Rodeo tab.
  - B. Miss Entry Fee of \$100 will be due at the time of application with ad sales and coggins due August 1st, please bring a themed basket to be auctioned at the fundraiser BBQ on August 10th. Princess Entry Fee of \$100 will be due at the time of application with ad sales and coggins due **JULY 28TH**, please bring a themed basket to be auctioned at the fundraiser BBQ on August 10th.
  - C. Little Miss Entry Fee of \$75 will be due at the time of application with ad sales and coggins due **JULY 28TH**, please bring a themed basket to be auctioned at the fundraiser BBQ on August 10th.
  - D. Sweetheart Entry Fee of \$50 will be due at the time of application with ad sales and coggins due **JULY 28TH**. Please bring a themed basket to be auctioned at the fundraiser BBQ on August 10th.
- 2. Each Miss, Princess and Little Miss contestant must sell a minimum of \$300 in program ads which will be included with the pageant program. A small high sales award will be given in these three age groups. The ad design will be at the discretion of the Advertising Chairman, print ready art can be emailed at the time of ad sale. Any logos or business cards provided the contestant's sponsor must be sent to ISFRpageant@gmail.com for submission with the ad. Ad information and payment must be received by noon on JULY 28, 2025. The Sweetheart category may sell ads and raffle tickets; raffle tickets will be handed out with the contestants completed application.
  - A. 1/4 Page Ad \$85
  - B. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Page Ad \$160
  - C. Full Page Ad \$310
  - D. Late entries may be accepted at the Discretion of the Pageant Chairman for an additional fee.

### **Required Participation**

All contestants are required to attend a Zoom meeting a link, date and time will be sent out at a later date. Any known changes to the pageant, schedule, and any other relevant information will be discussed. Contestants will draw for competition order the day of the pageant. The order of competition will be Miss, Princess, and Little Miss. Contestants also need to plan on attending the parade, Wednesday August 13, 2025 at 5pm (if you have a conflict with school or showing livestock, please notify the Pageant Director). Sweetheart contestants are welcome to ride in the parade, a truck for the group will be available. All contestants may be asked to participate in other ISFR and pageant related functions the week of ISFR.

### Miss Contestants

- Horsemanship This event includes performing a horsemanship pattern, flag run, queen run and a Horsemanship interview with the judges. The Horsemanship pattern is attached. The Queen Run is expected to be executed safely at a fast speed one time around the arena. The Contestant will dismount for the Horsemanship interview.
- Personal Interview Contestants will meet one-on-one with the judges in a private interview. Contestant should be familiar with the information on their application, the events held during the week of ISFR, and be familiar with important positions on the Fair Association. Ex. Officers and current events.
- Speech Contestants will write a speech over a topic related to rodeo, this can include the ISFR but is not required. The speech will be given during the BBQ dinner. The speech should be memorized and will be timed. Required length 3-5 minutes.
- Modeling Contestants will select "fashion forward" attire to model for the modeling portion of the contest. The contestant will prepare a description of the outfit which will be read aloud while they model their outfit, this will need to be submitted by text or email by August 1, 2025.

### Princess Contestants

- Horsemanship This event includes performing a horsemanship pattern, flag run, queen run and Horsemanship interview with the judges. The Horsemanship pattern is attached. The Queen Run is expected to be executed safely at a fast speed one time around the arena. The Contestant will stay mounted for the Horsemanship interview.
- Personal Interview Contestants will meet one-on-one with the judges in a private interview. Contestant should be familiar with the information on their application and the events held during the week of ISFR.
- Speech Contestants will write a speech over horses or rodeo and recite it in front of an audience. The speech should be memorized and will be timed. Required length 1-3 minutes. Index cards or assistance from an audience member may be used at a deduction of 5 points.
- 4. Modeling Contestants will select "fashion forward" attire to model for the modeling portion of the contest. The contestant will prepare a description of the outfit which will be read aloud while they model their outfit, this will need to be submitted by text or email by August 1, 2025.

### Little Miss Contestants

- Horsemanship This event includes performing a free style horsemanship pattern and a Horsemanship interview. The pattern can be as simple or complex as you'd like to make it. Contestant may do any maneuver(s) they are comfortable with at any speed. A basic pattern may be provided by Pageant Chairman at contestant request; the pattern will not be given to the judges. The Contestant will stay mounted for the Horsemanship interview.
- 2. Personal Interview Contestants will meet one-on-one with the judges in a private interview. Contestant should be familiar with the information on their application and which nights are the PRCA rodeo.
- 3. Speech Contestants will talk in front of an audience in a question & answer style interview about an area they are familiar & comfortable with. Questions will be derived from their application. Possible topics include their horse, family, an activity they enjoy, etc. There is no time limit, it is not a prepared speech. The goal is for them to speak in front of an audience.
- Modeling Contestants will select "fashion forward" attire to model for the modeling portion of the contest. The contestant will prepare a description of the outfit which will be read aloud while they model their outfit, this will need to be submitted by text or email by August 1, 2025.

### Sweetheart Contestants

# Sweetheart contestants may be assisted in all areas of the competition at no deduction of points.

- Speech Contestants will talk in front of an audience in a question & answer style interview about an area they are familiar & comfortable with. Questions will be derived from their application. Possible topics include their horse, family, an activity they enjoy, etc. There is no time limit, it is not a prepared speech. The goal is for them to speak in front of an audience. Our current royalty, visiting royalty or pageant chairman will be asking open ended questions.
- Modeling Contestants will select "fashion forward" attire to model for the modeling portion of the contest. The contestant will prepare a description of the outfit which will be read aloud while they model their outfit, this will need to be submitted by text or email by August 1, 2025.

### General Rules

- Age is determined as of January 1, 2025. Miss candidates must be at least 14 years of age and no more than 26 years of age, Princess candidates must be between 10 and 13 years of age, and Little Miss candidates must be 6 to 9 years of age and Sweetheart 8 and under. Proof of age may be requested at Pageant Chairman's discretion.
- Contestants cannot be, nor have been, married; have, nor be expecting to have, a child.
- A contestant may hold other royalty honors (as long as they are not Titles from other PRCA sanctioned rodeos) for the year 2025. But in the event she becomes Queen or

Princess, she will give precedence to the Inter-State Fair & Rodeo title during promotional scheduled events and during the week of the Inter-State Fair & Rodeo.

- By entering this pageant, contestants consent to the use of their name, photos and/or likeness for publicity on behalf of Inter-State Fair and Rodeo and Montgomery County Fair Association. This includes, but is not limited to TV, Radio, Social Media, and Print.
- Contestants must conduct themselves in a lady-like manner, portray high moral standards, and have good sportsmanship at all times. All contestants are role models to others!
- Contestants are not permitted at any time during the contest or as a reigning royalty to drink alcoholic beverages, smoke, or use foul language while representing Inter-State Fair and Rodeo.
- Suitable western wear must be worn at all times. Attire should be suitable for the activity.
- Contestants must be punctual.
- No cell phones may be used by contestants during pageant related activities.
- Should a Titleholder conduct herself in a way that looks bad upon the ISFR she may be asked to forfeit her title.
- In the event of a tie, a judge will be designated to break the tie.
- Misconduct by contestant, contestant's family or friends, or any other related party will result in immediate discipline up to and including forfeiture of title and/or removal from pageant and/or future pageants.
- Decisions from Pageant Chairman, Committee, Judges, Montgomery County Fair Association, and any other related party are final and are not subject to appeal.
- The Queen, Princess and Little Miss will be crowned for 2025 and is expected to represent ISFR at the 2025 rodeo, surrounding PRCA rodeos, parades, and other functions as determined by the Titleholders and Pageant Chairman. Each Titleholder is expected to complete community service or be involved with a non-profit during their reign. Any appearances must be approved by the Pageant Chairman.

# Horses and Horsemanship

- Only members of the Montgomery County Fair Association, Pageant Committee, Judges and Contestants are permitted in the arena during competition.
- Contestants must provide their own horse throughout the competition and are allowed to borrow or lease horses.
- Contestants must ride the same horse throughout the week of activities.
- Split reins are required for Queen & Princess contestants.
- Tie-downs are allowed.
- Wool or Felt cowboy hat, boots, and long sleeved collared shirts are required, traditional attire recommended.
- No gloves or chaps.
- Rider must stay mounted unless they are presenting themselves in front of the judges.
- Sharing of horses during Horsemanship competition is only permitted between members of the same household who compete in separate age groups.

• The Pageant Chairman and Committee reserve the right to disqualify or ask any contestant to leave the competition if she or her horse is a danger to each other, contestants, or spectators.

## <u>Modeling</u>

- Each contestant will be asked to model a fashion forward western outfit. A written description of the outfit must be provided to the Pageant Chairman by August 1, 2025.
- Contestants must dress in a fashion forward outfit. Examples of past outfits worn during competition will be provided at contestant's request.
- Fashion Forward dress is an outfit that you make western with your accessories; it can be made or purchased.
- Fashion Forward Required Dress:
  - Dress or skirt must be at least knee length
  - Tank tops and spaghetti-strap style shirts are not permitted
  - Cowboy boots o Belt with Buckle
  - Felt or Wool Cowboy Hat

# Judging and Representation

- Judging will be as follows:
  - Horsemanship
  - Speech, Impromptu Question and Modeling
  - Interviews
  - Appearance & Photogenic
  - Judges Decision will be final.
- Each rule that is broken will be counted against contestant by taking a 5 point or more deduction per infraction for each portion of the competition. Ex. Not wearing required attire, using incorrect tack, falling off your horse, using index cards for speech, etc.

# Order of Events

Contestants will go in draw order; Queen, Princess, Little Miss (the Sweetheart portion will be before the Miss, Princess and Little Miss portion of the pageant)

- BBQ Dinner, Introduction of yourself and brief explanation of your auction basket, Modeling, Speech, Impromptu Question and Personal Interview will follow with horsemanship at 7pm. This will all be held at the ISFR Grounds, family and spectators are encouraged to attend!
- Private
  - Personal interview with the judges
  - Public, in front of an audience
  - Introduction of yourself and a brief explanation of your themed auction basket
  - Modeling
  - Speech immediately following the conclusion of modeling your fashion forward outfit
  - Impromptu Question

• Horsemanship @ the Fairgrounds Arena

Miss, Princess and Little Miss Contestants - Horsemanship pattern, Interview and Queens Run

Queen & Princess - Flag run

### <u>Prizes</u>

- Prize packages vary year to year, but generally include the following
  - Buckle
  - Crown
  - o Sash
  - All access badge to ISFR
  - Tack
  - Customized Mary Kay Consultation
  - Mary Kay Goodies
  - Discounted Mary Kay for the title holders reign
  - Photoshoot
- Participation prizes are awarded to each Contestant that does not win a Title.

The Pageant Chairman reserves the right to amend the rules as needed. All contestants will be notified of any changes to this document.

Thank you for competing in the 9th Annual ISFR Pageant! We hope everyone has a great time during this year's competition.

If you have any questions, please contact: Kristi Taylor ISFR Pageant Chairman Mobile: 918-331-6696 Email: ISFRpageant@gmail.com

Rodeo Pageant Entry Form All entries and headshot must be submitted by JULY 25, 2025	
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Describe why you want to be ISFR Royalty and why you think you would be the best representative for the rodeo.

How has the sport of rodeo impacted your life?

What is something funny that the judges may not know about you? This can be something that has happened to you or something you do!

On a separate sheet of paper, please submit a biography for the rodeo program and newspapers – 150 words or less.

### **RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

I, the undersigned, being a non-paid contestant, applicant and participating in the Interstate Fair and Rodeo Pageant, which is sponsored by the Interstate Fair and Rodeo Board and Montgomery County Fair Association, hereby release said Interstate Fair and Rodeo Board and Montgomery County Fair Association from any and all claims or demands for liability for accidents or any other liabilities and makes said agreement for herself her heirs and executors and states that she is of lawful age and legally entitled to make this complete release or if she an underage contestant a parent or guardian is to sign this release.

Contestant:
Date:
Parent or guardian:
Approval by Pageant Chairmen:

# **Princess Horsemanship Pattern**



- 1. Start at the gate with a trot along the side of the arena, then to center
- 2. Begin lope at center of arena and lope left circle on left lead
- 3. Change leads at center of arena and lope right circle on right lead
- 4. Change leads and continue loping around end of arena
- 5. Once on the straight, increase speed at a safe controlled rate and continue around end of area
- 6. Stop and back
- 7. Ride to judges for horsemanship interview
- 8. Ride back to gate for flag run
- 8. Ride back to gate and begin queens run

### **Miss Horsemanship Pattern**



- 1. Start at the gate and walk to the starting point
- 2. Run to far end of arena past the end marker and stop
- 3. Execute 1 1/2 spins to the left
- 4. Run to the other end of arena past the end marker and stop
- 5. Execute 1 1/2 spins to the right
- 6. Run past center marker and stop
- 7. Back 7 to 10 feet in a straight line
- 8. Complete 1/4 of a turn to the left, hesitate. On right lead complete one small slow circle and one large fast circle. Change leads to left
- Complete one small, slow circle and one large, fast cirle. Change leads to the right
- 10. Run around the end of arena to the other side, past center marker, and stop, hesitate to complete pattern
- 11. Ride to the judges to dismount for the interview
- 12. Ride back to gate for flag run
- 13. Ride back to gate and begin queens run