JUNIOR MISS SIKESTON PAGEANT 2021

Sikeston Freshmen Girls Only

INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

Please keep this sheet for your later reference!!!

Contestants: Please take home this application and discuss it with your parents.

Any single **Sikeston Freshman girl**, who was born a female, who has never been married or pregnant & wants to participate is eligible to do so.

Pageant Date: Thursday September 30, 2021 @ 8:00 p.m.

Pageant Location: Sikeston Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo Grounds

Requirements for Pageant:

Entry Form: See attached page

Sikeston, MO 63801

Photograph: All girls participating must have a recent photograph (head and shoulders only) to turn in with the entry form. The contestant will be fully responsible for getting the photograph turned in with the entry form by Friday, September 24, 2021. **NO LATE ENTRY FORMS OR PHOTOS WILL BE ACCEPTED! NO EXCEPTIONS!** Photos will be returned to you the day of the pageant.

Entry Fee: Each contestant will be required to pay a \$30.00 entry fee, which must accompany her picture, Covid-19 release form and entry form. Please make check payable to Jr. Miss Sikeston Pageant.

Pageant Dress: Dress for the pageant is **Sunday Wear or Dressy Casual**. <u>Jeans or formal wear, this includes short formals, strapless dresses, party type dresses, etc. will NOT be allowed</u>. Any contestant who is dressed inappropriately will be disqualified and the entry fee will not be refunded. This is at the discretion of the pageant director. There will be no exceptions. If you have a question about your outfit and if it is appropriate for this pageant, call me!!!

Entry forms must be <u>received</u> by Friday, September 24, 2021, **not** just postmarked by this date.

If you feel that your application will not reach us by the deadline, call and you will be given a place to drop it off. If you decide to drop application off, they must be dropped off by 5:00 pm on deadline date.

<u>Mail</u> the 1) photograph, 2) entry form and 3) signed Covid-19 release form, 4) entry fee to: (<u>DO NOT</u> take entry form back to the school office, American Legion Hall or give to an American Legion Member)

Junior Miss Sikeston Pageant 2021 Any questions: 380-8533 or 380-8532 PO Box 1212

After the contest, please take all personal belongings with you. We will not be responsible for anything left behind. Please pick up the photograph that was mailed in with your entry form before you leave the pageant.

Please "LIKE" the page on FACEBOOK "Sikeston CC Pageants". We will keep you updated via this page, in case there is anything you need to be aware of. Also, we will post information regarding where the pageant will be held in case of rain.

You must be at the contest site, dressed and ready to participate by 7:30 p.m. on the night of the pageant. The time before the pageant will be used for rehearsal and a brief explanation of how the pageant will be run. In fairness to all participants, any late contestants will not be allowed to participate in the pageant.

2021 American Legion

Junior Miss Sikeston Queen Entry Form

Sikeston Freshmen Only Please print neatly. Judges will receive a copy of your application for review. Name______Date of Birth_____Age___ _____City_____State____ Address Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s)____ Height Hair color Cell Phone #(so we can notify you in case of rain) Please fill out each section below. If additional space is needed, please make note and use the back of the sheet. Favorite Subject in School School Honors Other clubs and hobbies Plans after graduation_____ What do you hope to be doing 10 years from now?_____ Something about yourself that not many people know_____ To the best of my knowledge, all above facts and statements are true. Said entrant is a Freshman at Sikeston Senior High School, and we hereby authorize the use of any and all photographs of said entrant and news stories which may appear in the news media in connection with the Queen Contest referred to herein. Any said subsequent use of said pictures or news stories for advertising and promotional purposes. I agree with all terms on this and attached information page. Contestant Signature_____ Parent or Guardian Signature Date Entrant should submit: 1) This completed and signed application; 2) One recent photograph (head and shoulders only); 3) Signed Covid -19 release form; 4) Entry fee of \$30 payable Jr. Miss Sikeston Pageant by Friday, September 24, 2021. Received by, NOT postmarked by. Return application to: Junior Miss Sikeston Pageant, PO Box 1212, Sikeston, MO 63801. Do not take entry form to school office, American Legion Hall or give to an American Legion Member. Entries will not be accepted by any of these and will be disqualified if left at any of these places. Entries received after Friday, September 24, 2021 WILL NOT be accepted. Official use only Picture Received Y N Payment Received Y N Date Application received____ # received Check # Cash

Important Update for the 2021 Cotton Carnival Pageants

Due to Covid 19, the pageants will be run a little differently this year. We will, to the best of our ability, try to limit close contact. Please be aware, this is a pageant and multiple contestants will be on stage at the same time. With that being said, we are implementing the following for the contestants and their parents/guardian:

- -ONLY 1 person will be allowed in the dressing room with the contestant. This will be STRICTLY enforced. NO EXCEPTIONS. The guest will have to **wear a mask** at all times while backstage and they will be asked to leave the dressing room, 30 minutes prior to the pageant start time and will not be allowed back stage again until the pageant ends.
- -The contestant needs to come FULLY dressed to the pageant. This includes having make-up on and hair fixed. We do not have room for everyone to dress, apply make-up, finish hair and still keep contestants at a social distance. The only exception will be, if the contestant's dress is long and will drag on the ground, you may bring it and put it on in the dressing room.
- -If you feel bad, are sick in any way, have been sick a few days before the pageant, have a cough or are running a fever, PLEASE do not come to the pageant. We will be taking temperatures before you will be allowed to enter the pageant area and anyone with a temp above 99.5 will not be admitted backstage at all.
- -The Sikeston Henry F Meldrum Post No. 114 of the American Legion will in no way be held responsible for anyone coming in contact with or contracting the Covid 19 virus while at the Cotton Carnival. By signing below, you are entering your child and/or will be viewing this pageant, knowing the risks and accept all responsibility for yourself and your child. Failure to sign this form will result in your child not being allowed to participate in the pageant. This form must be returned with the pageant application. Until we receive this form your child will not be entered in the pageant. Also, once entered, there will NO REFUNDS unless the pageant is cancelled.

Pageant entering: (circle one)

Little Mr & Miss Cotton Carnival	Jr. Miss Sikeston	Miss Cotton Carnival	Miss Sikeston	
Contestants PRINTED Name:				
Parent or Legal Guardian PRINTED Name:				
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BEGINNING IN 2015, THE FOLLOWING WAS IMPLEMENTED AS A REQUIREMENT FOR THE NEW MISS SIKESTON, JR. MISS SIKESTON AND MISS COTTON CARNIVAL

Queens are required to do community service with the American Legion Post 114 and the local veterans during the year holding their title. This is a way the queens can give back to the American Legion for sponsoring the pageants.

There are monthly meetings to attend, along with helping out at other events, such as serving Thanksgiving dinner, Christmas shopping for the veterans in nursing homes, helping with family fun day, being present when awards are being presented and helping with the Memorial Day and Labor Day events sponsored by the American Legion. These are just to name a few of the events in which the Queens are asked to participate. The queen's families are welcome to participate also. All community hours can be recorded for the community hours required by Sikeston High School to receive the gold chord for graduation. During the events, the queens are asked to wear their crown and sash and be dressed appropriately. The Standard Democrat is usually on hand to take picture for the newspaper.

Also, Miss Sikeston and Miss Cotton Carnival (if she is a senior) can join the American Legion. If the queen chooses to join, they will then be able to apply for a scholarship from the American Legion Post 114.

Megan McGill-Knight, American Legion representative

***On a side note, the 2019 queens did an OUTSTANDING job of participating in these events. They went above and beyond what was expected of them. The American Legion was very proud of these ladies and their willingness to participate in the events. You can view pictures of some of the events that the 2019 queens participated in, on the FACEBOOK page Sikeston CC Pageants.