

2026 Miss Houston County Pageant

Preliminary to the 2026 Miss National Peanut Festival Pageant

sponsored by Houston County Pageants, Inc.

Saturday, February 21, 2026

Ashford High School

6:00pm

Age Requirements and Pageant Details:

- Contestants must be at least 16 yrs. old and not older than 19 yrs. old as of Oct. 1, 2026.
- Entry fee for all divisions is \$95.00 AND at least (1) \$75.00 ad for the program.
- All contestants will turn in 1 DIGITAL copy & 1 COLOR 5 x 7 picture to be used in the program book and photogenic judging. Email the digital copy to houstoncountypageants@gmail.com by Sunday, February 1, 2026.
- All contestants will compete in interview, written communication, verbal communication, stage presence, and on-stage question.
- Attire for stage presence will be evening gown.
- Attire for interview and verbal communication will be an Interview dress, jumpsuit, or blazer and pants/skirt.
- Opening Number attire will be a light pink shirt, white pants, nude shoes, and light pink or clear accessories. NO MIDRIFTS CAN BE SHOWN!!
- Drop-off and deadline for applications, entry fee, ads, and photogenic pictures is Sunday, February 1, 2026, from 1:30-4:00 at Northside Methodist Academy's Fine Arts Building.

Pageant Rules and Regulations

- Contestants must be single natural-born females, never married, and never pregnant.
- Contestants may choose to sell more than one ad. A MINIMUM of \$75 in ads MUST be sold. Please see the Ad Agreement page for ad pricing.
- The contestant selling the most ads (monetarily) will win a \$100 cash prize.
- Ads must be turned in by February 1, 2026. Ads turned in after deadline will NOT appear in the program.
- Parental signature on application releases Houston County Pageants, Inc. from any injury or liability.
- Signature also states understanding that Houston County Pageants, Inc. will not allow Queens to compete in other pageants during their year unless given approval. Little Miss and Miss will not be allowed to enter any pageants except for the NPF pageants.
- Contestants and parents agree to recognize all decisions of judges as final.

Reception, Practice, Written Communication, and Interview Information

- An "Ohana Luau" party will be held Sunday, February 8th from 4:00-5:00 pm at Northside Methodist Academy's Fine Arts Building. This will be a fun time where we draw contestant numbers, enjoy treats, and have group pictures made for the program. The dress code is Hawaiian themed attire. **Written Communication** will follow from 5:15-5:45. Contestants will be given 30 minutes to write on the topic given to them.
- Practices will be held Tuesday, February 17th from 7:00-8:00 at a location to be announced and Friday, February 20th from 6:30-7:30 at the Ashford High School auditorium.
- Interviews will be held on Saturday, February 21st beginning at approximately 10:30am at the Ashford High School auditorium. Exact interview times and contestant numbers will be provided at the end of the "Ohana Luau" party.

For questions, email houstoncountypageants@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page at Houston County Pageants, Inc.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION SHEET

Application

Deadline:

February 1

(You must submit five (5) copies of this form TYPED) DO NOT retype this application.

CONTESTANT# _____ (to be assigned at random)

CONTESTANT'S NAME _____

(Circle Name you Prefer to be called)

Address _____

(# and Street Name)

(City and State)

(Zip Code)

Parent's Name _____

Parent Email _____ Parent Cell phone # _____

School/Grade _____ Contestant Birthdate _____

Contestant Age _____ Contestant Hair Color _____ Contestant Eye Color _____

Brothers/Sisters _____ Pets _____

Hobbies _____

Honors _____

Community Service Activities _____

Three words to describe yourself _____, _____, _____

List 2 things you love _____

List 2 things you dislike _____

Who would you most like to meet? _____

Career Goals _____

I agree to ALL rules as stated _____

(Parent or Guardian Signature)

Date

Application Packet Drop-off Date: Sunday, February 1st from 1:30-4:00 at Northside Methodist Academy's Fine Arts Building.

***If you are not able to drop your application packet off on the above date, please mail your application packet to Houston County Pageants, Inc., 700 Frankfort Dr., Dothan, AL 36305. Application Packet MUST be postmarked by Saturday, January 31, 2026. *Email the digital copy of photogenic pic to houstoncountypageants@gmail.com*

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email houstoncountypageants@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page at Houston County Pageants, Inc.

For Office Use Only: (5) Copies of Application _____ Payment _____ Photogenic Pic _____

and size of Ads _____ Affidavit _____ Media Release _____ Digital pic _____

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-AD AGREEMENT-

*Photo can only be included on ¼, ½, and full page ads.

AD SPONSOR: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ **DATE** _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

SOLD BY: _____

(CONTESTANT NAME AND DIVISION)

CHECK ONE

___ 1/4 Page

\$50.00

___ 1/2 Page

\$75.00

___ Full Page

\$125.00

**DEADLINE FOR AD
SALES: SUNDAY
February 1, 2026**

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: HOUSTON COUNTY PAGEANTS

***Credit cards also accepted when turning in this form. A
2.75% charge will apply.**

BODY OF AD

(What do you want the ad to say?)

**2026 MISS NATIONAL PEANUT FESTIVAL
LOCAL PAGEANT CONTESTANT'S FORM (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY)**

LOCAL PAGEANT: Miss Houston County

CONTESTANT'S NAME: _____

PRIMARY PHYSICAL ADDRESS: _____

***P.O. BOX IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE YOUR MAIL AT YOUR PHYSICAL ADDRESS:**

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE # (DAY)

TELEPHONE # (NIGHT)

NAME OF SCHOOL ATTENDED (AS OF DATE OF LOCAL PAGEANT)

AGE _____ **BIRTH DATE** _____

BY MY SIGNATURE BELOW, I ATTEST THAT ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND SEALS THIS

THE _____ **DAY OF** _____, 2026.

NOTARY;

DATE COMMISSION EXPIRES

*** A POST OFFICE BOX IS NOT A PRIMARY PHYSICAL ADDRESS**

Houston County Pageants, Inc., Media Release

I give my permission to Houston County Pageants, Inc., for my or my daughter's (if minor) image and/or name to appear in publications including, but not limited to, the HCP Inc. website, HCP Inc. Facebook page, all other electronic and social media, print or video publications, community publications, community affiliated publications, and any chosen public media such as newspapers, newsletters, and local news broadcasts.

I understand that as a public figure in the Wiregrass Area, my image and/or name may be used in conjunction with HCP Inc. and/or Houston County, and may be used without my prior knowledge. I release HCP Inc. from any and all damages that may be caused from my image and/or name in public media. All image and/or name release is controlled as closely as possible by HCP Inc.

Contestant Name: _____

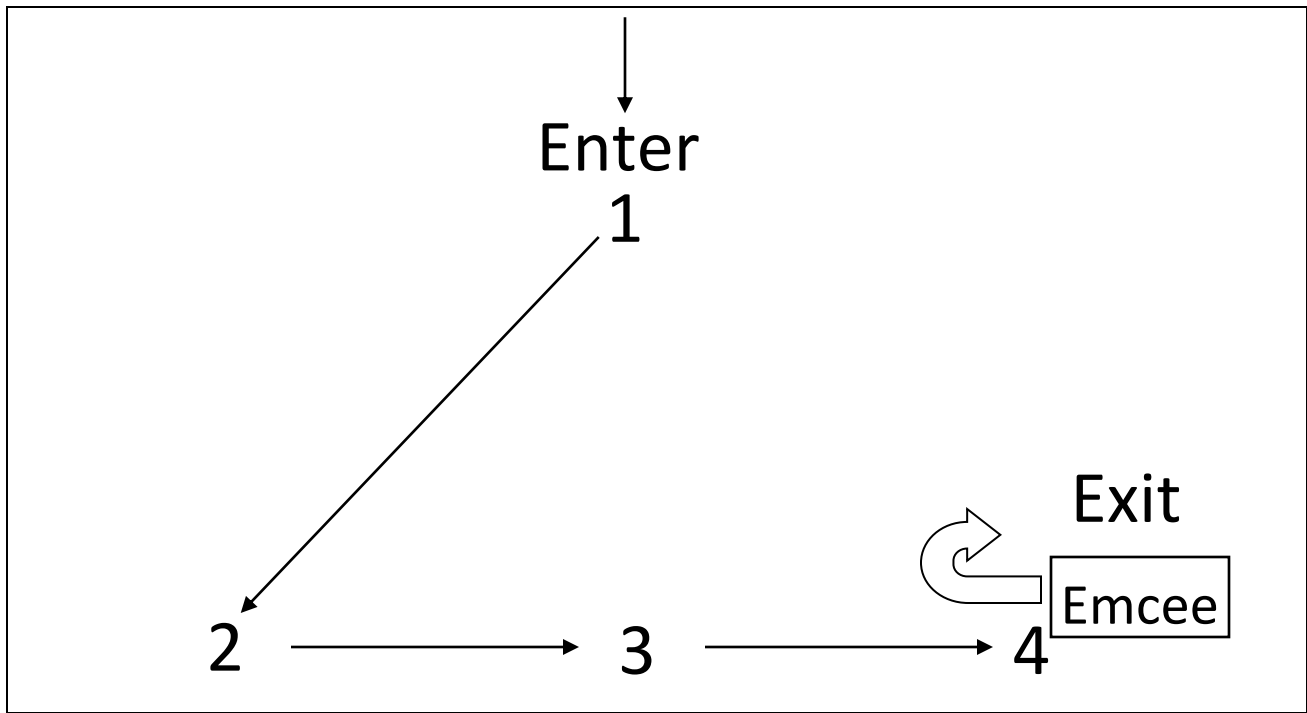
Contestant Signature: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (if contestant is under the age of 18):

**Whitney Dawn DeVane/Houston County
Spirit of Service Scholarship**

This scholarship, in memory of our Miss Houston County and Miss National Peanut Festival 2012, Whitney Dawn DeVane, is based on community service, volunteerism, and academic achievement. The recipient of this scholarship will receive a \$500 scholarship paid to directly to the college of her choice upon her enrollment.

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Front of Stage

1. Contestants will enter from the back center of the stage. Contestants will stop at #1. NO turn here.
2. Contestants will walk to the front corner of the stage opposite of the emcee. NO TURN here.
3. Contestants will walk to the front center of the stage. TURN here.
4. Contestants will walk to the front corner beside the emcee. NO turn. They will answer a question from the emcee.
5. After answering their question and the emcee saying their contestant name and number again, contestants will make a "U" turn and exit the stage behind the emcee.