

Hells Canyon Junior Rodeo Royalty Court Tryout Instructions

Upon arrival contestant will sign in at the Rodeo Office where you will be provided information containing the following: Court contracts, pattern information, and speech instructions. Board members and judges will be available for questions or concerns you may have before tryouts begin. Family and friends will be required to remain in grandstands as only contestants will be allowed through gate into track area and arena this includes during warm up time.

Judges will begin inspections of both horse and contestant. Please be prepared to provide copy of signed long term lease contract from owner of horse indicating contestant has permission to use horse for the entire reign (January 1, 2019- December 31, 2019). Please note if signed lease contract is not presented before tryouts begin, contestant will not be allowed to continue. After inspections the judges will be dispatched around the arena at different vantage points and instruction will be provided to contestants where they will begin to lineup.

Contestants will begin with a grand entry run-in followed by pattern provided at check-in. After each individual run judges may ask each contestant to perform additional tasks such as dismount of the horse in order to clarify abilities of each rider.

After arena portion of try-outs are complete judges may request riders demonstrate loading and unloading of horse to ensure control of each horse. When this is completed you will put your horse away and meet the Court Adviser at the Rodeo Office to receive instruction of the oral presentation. Pencil and paper will be provided and you will be allowed 20 minutes to write and prepare for the speech you will present. If you have speech prepared and have brought with you you may use the time to rehearse.

Speech will consist of:

Tell us about yourself, your name, your age, and your parents or legal guardians names. Tell us why you would want to be Queen for Hells Canyon Junior Rodeo, Tell us about your horse, age, as well as riding experience. The town you live in, the name of your school, and grade level. Lastly tell us about any hobbies, special awards, or achievements you have earned in the past.

Last portion will consist of a personal interview that may consist of 6 impromptu questions from the judges that will be predetermined beforehand.

Once all sections of the competition are completed the scores will be tallied and the new reigning court will be announced and pictures will be taken to provide to newspaper, and website! (*New Court Members be sure to check in with court adviser before leaving as you will be provided additional information and forms to complete*)

BEST OF LUCK TO ALL CONTESTANTS

Afterward, if you would like to see any comments judges made towards your performance and/or your score (results are confidential) you may request copies from the court adviser.

JUDGES SCORES ARE FINAL

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