

RULES FOR SELECTION OF THE 2023 GILLESPIE COUNTY FAIR QUEEN'S COURT

Applicant must have written consent form signed by her parent(s) and/or legal guardian to enter the contest.

Applicant must be a sophomore or junior girl enrolled in a Gillespie County High School for the 2021-2022 school year and be in good standing and maintain a minimum grade average of 75 for the year. For the 2021 - 2022 school year, only sophomores, and juniors will be eligible.

Applicant must have attended a Gillespie County High School during the 2020-2021 school year.

Applicant must not be married or have ever been married, or have a child or have ever had a child.

Applicant must not have been charged with any misdemeanor or felony (excluding minor traffic violations).

If chosen as Queen or a Duchess, dresses (wardrobe) for the Queen's Court will be furnished by the Gillespie County Fair & Festivals Association and are to be worn on the Fair Float at all parades attended. Also, as a Queen or Duchess, each will be eligible for scholarship grant money. However, an application for this grant must still be turned in for every year applying.

In the event that the Queen or one of the Duchesses is unable to perform her duties for the complete year, she will be expected to resign her position, along with her crown, sash and wardrobe, which were furnished by the Gillespie County Fair & Festivals Association. Circumstances which would require her resignation are as follows:

1. She no longer resides with her parent(s) or legal guardian during her reign.
2. She becomes pregnant or gets married during the year of her reign.
3. She has personal reasons that she feels will keep her from fulfilling her duties during the year.
4. She leaves school during the year of her reign.
5. She misses more than three (3) events without consent from the Float Chairman.
6. She is convicted of any misdemeanor or felony charge (with exception of minor traffic violations), or is caught with alcohol or drugs. NO consumption of alcohol or drugs will be tolerated.
7. Foul language or rude behavior, while representing the Gillespie County Fair & Festivals Association, will not be tolerated.

The core value of our Queen's Court is to promote positive representation of the GCFFA. Respect, honesty and dedication are a must. Attendance and ACTIVE participation at all GCFFA events is required, in addition to a few other local events (i.e. Wild Game Dinner, etc.) A dress code will be enforced at all events attended while representing the GCFFA. Short shorts, short skirts, revealing tops, etc. will not be tolerated.

She may not enter any other contest or activity that may interfere with her year of reign, i.e. Stonewall Peach Jamboree.

If she is not able to appear at an event or go to a parade, sufficient notice should be given to the Float Chairman. In the event of illness or an emergency, notice should be given as quickly as possible.

There will be a rehearsal for all applicants on Thursday, August 25, 2022. Please meet at the fairgrounds under the grandstands at 7:00 p.m. We ask that one or both parents and/or legal guardians attend the rehearsal. On Friday morning, August 26, 2022, all contestants will ride on a float in the Fair Parade. Meet across from the Courthouse by the old Fredericksburg Clinic Building at 9:00 a.m. Contestants are to wear a conservative dress to the Judge's interview, which will be held Friday afternoon, August 26th, at a location to be determined. Interviews will start at 1:00 p.m., and we hope to be finished by 5:00 p.m. Contestants are to wear formal dresses for the contest on Friday evening, which will start at 7:00 p.m. on the stage on the dancefloor at the fairgrounds.

The Queen and Duchesses will represent the Gillespie County Fair & Festivals Association , Gillespie County, and the City of Fredericksburg at numerous parades and functions during the year. Parade attendance involves most Saturdays during the summer months and will require departure from the fairgrounds as early as 5:00 a.m., depending on where the parade is to be held. The Court will also attend and make trophy presentations during the horse-racing season at the fairgrounds and must be available to decorate float, help assemble before parades, and other events that come up throughout the year.

The 2023 Fair Queen's Court reign extends from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. We consider it an honor to serve as a representative of the Fair Association, the City of Fredericksburg, and the County of Gillespie. **We expect a 100% commitment/cooperation to this position .**

I/ We, hereby acknowledge that I/ We have read and agree to the aforementioned rules and qualifications.

Contestant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

There will be a *mandatory* meeting held at the GCFFA office on **Wednesday, August 17, 2022**, at 7 p.m. One parent or guardian must be present.

The deadline for submitting applications is **Wednesday, August 17, 2022**. Please sign this Consent Form and bring it to the Fair Office or to the mandatory meeting on **August 17th**, along with a photograph to be used by the newspaper

Any digital images should be printed on quality paper or burned on a CD. School pictures work great for the newspaper.

CONSENT FORM

Yes, I, _____ will be contestant for the 2023 Gillespie County Fair Queen.

I understand that I must be enrolled in a Gillespie County High School and in good standing in my Sophomore or Junior class, 2021 - 2022.

I understand that I, and my parent(s) and/or legal guardian, must have been residents of Gillespie County for one year prior to August 1, 2022.

If selected as the Fair Queen or a Duchess, I agree to resign my post upon the request of the Gillespie County Fair & Festivals Association, should I move from Gillespie County or leave school for any reason before my reign is completed.

My parent(s) and/or legal guardian and I have read, understand and agree to the rules and conditions.

Contestant Signature

Contestant Printed Name

Address

Telephone

Email

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name

Address

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Date _____

*Please print below the names of your parent(s) and/or legal guardian **as they should appear in the newspaper.***

Please Complete:

Gillespie County School Attended _____

I will be a Sophomore _____ Junior _____ (check one) in the 2022 - 2023 school

year. I am _____ years of age.