



Castalia Cold Creek Celebration
Queen Program Rules and Regulations
Adopted February 2025

Our Queen Program is designed to promote greater public understanding of the Castalia Community and the Castalia Cold Creek Celebration (further referred to as CCCC). The Queen and her Court share a unique opportunity to promote our community, as well as an opportunity for personal, professional growth, and development. The Queen Program provides each participant the opportunity to build and enhance confidence in her abilities, poise in her presentations, pride in her accomplishments, skills in communication, knowledge of the community and sportsmanship in accepting success or defeat gracefully.

CONTEST RULES

This is not a beauty contest. You do not need artistic talent to enter. Entrants will be judged on their ability to communicate (speaking ability), promptness, and appearance.

1. Entrant must be a biological female that is an incoming high school freshman to high school Senior as of the year of entry, be a U.S. Citizen and a resident of the Margarett Local School District or attend Margarett Local Schools. **ENTRANTS, PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIANS MUST** attend the mandatory meeting and may be asked to show proof of residency or show school ID.
2. Entrant must have a sponsor. Sponsor fee is \$50.00 (non-refundable) and is mentioned by the entrant during the Queen's Contest.

3. Entrant must attend all meetings/rehearsals prior to the Celebration. If chosen for Court, any meetings with Coordinator and/or CCCC Committee. The elected court is expected to be responsive in a timely fashion to the calls and emails of the CCCC royalty coordinator and CCCC Committee.
4. Entrant must not be married, never have been married nor be co-habiting with a non-related male/female from the time entering the contest until the end of her reign on the Court of CCCC.
5. Entrant must be of non-parent status from the time of entering the contest to the end of her reign on the Court of CCCC. If she should become pregnant during her reign of Queen or Court member, her title and awards will be forfeited immediately.
6. Entrant must be clear of any misdemeanors.
7. Entrant will not be permitted to hold any additional year-long title for any other festival, fair, or pageant during her reign. Her CCCC title will be her priority to promote. This does not include school related titles like Homecoming Queen.
8. Entrant must have parent/legal guardian's signature on entry form. This signature is to allow CCCC to use the transcript for the interview. This entry signature also ensures the parent/guardian is aware of her participation in this contest and provides their consent to photos and video that will be taken of all contestants for the use of promoting CCCC.
9. Entrant should be able to meet all time commitments, Queen Obligations, Behavior Policy and Dress Code as set forth by the CCCC Committee.
10. Entrant must be an upstanding citizen and of good moral character (at the discretion of the Royalty Coordinator and the CCCC Committee.)

11. Entrant will be required to attend events of the Castalia Cold Creek Celebration held the 3rd full weekend of July.
12. A scholarship of \$500 will be awarded to the Queen at the end of her reign provided she has fulfilled her duties as specified, along with a cord to wear at graduation. The award will be presented upon her graduation from high school. Should the Queen choose not to further her education, no scholarship will be awarded. Should the Queen still be attending high school or vocational school, the award will be held in escrow until the time when she can present a **current** bill from her college/university or technical school with her name on it.

If the elected Queen is unable to fulfill her duties or is dismissed and replaced by the next eligible runner up, she will immediately relinquish her title as received. She must reimburse the Committee in the amount of \$100 for replacement items.

The decision of the judges and/or the CCCC committee is final.

The deadline for entry is two weeks before judging.

Behavior Policy

A "**Zero Tolerance Behavior Policy**" has been established by the CCCC. The following will be considered violations of the policy and will be grounds for immediate dismissal.

- Behavior during the Celebration or other related functions that is unbecoming, unmoral or detrimental to the Queen program as determined by the CCCC, including but not limited to on-line representation on the internet social networking sites (i.e. Facebook, Tik Tok, or Instagram, emails or texts.)
- Illegal behavior such as alcohol or tobacco product use, will not be prohibited

- Any defamation of the Queen Contest, its winners and contestants, CCCC Queen Program and Committee members, whether it is oral or written. This includes postings on the Internet/social networking sites.
- Disrespectful behavior of/with others. Boyfriends should display respectful behavior when accompanying the Queen.
- Clothing or dress that is indecent or inappropriate as set forth in the dress code.
- Pregnancy/Marriage.
- Any unsolicited or unauthorized appearances or representations of the Queen Program in crown and banner. This includes posing for any photography, video, or film associated with any nudity, pornography or sexually illicit photographs. Nor has entrant ever or is presently involved in any form of employment which involves partial or complete nudity. This includes pictures or video on Facebook, Tik Tok, Snap Chat, Instagram or any other internet programs. The CCCC has permission to monitor such sites if they feel it necessary. When you sign the entry form, you agree to follow all rules listed above and agree to accept friend requests from the Coordinator or any member of the CCCC Committee and to not block us from seeing any posting on your accounts or remove us from your friends list.

Dress Code

Wearing the Queen Crown and Sash is to be considered an honor and privilege. The bearer represents herself, her family, her community and CCCC. Therefore, professional appearance is expected while in crown and sash during the Celebration or other events:

- Acceptable clothing would be dressy shorts, sundresses, skirts, formal dresses or dress pants.
- No crop tops, jeans, or t-shirts. No jeans or t-shirts unless approved by the Coordinator. Jeans to be appropriate and not ripped unless knee length or below.
- No clothing that advertises, or promotes the use of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or anything inconsistent with the dignity of the Queen Program.
- No item should be revealing in anyway.

- Makeup should be kept natural looking. No excessive jewelry.
- No visible body piercing (other than earrings or stud nose piercing).
- Tattoos will be assessed to determine if they need coverage based on the CCCC coordinator and committees discretion.

NOTE: The outfit for the interview/judging should be Sunday/dressy casual. During the crowning on the Friday of Cold Creek, an appropriate prom/formal dress should be worn.

Castalia Cold Creek Celebration Royalty Obligations

The crowned Queen will be required to fulfill at least 10 additional obligations (fairs, festivals or community events) and appearances after CCCC weekend such as but not limited to: Erie Co Fair, Sandusky Co Fair, Castalia Fall Festival, Castalia Trick or Treat, Huron Co Fair, River Fest, Basket Fest, Milan Melon Fest, Woollybear Fest, Vermillion Fish Fest, Norwalk Strawberry Fest, Oak Harbor Apple Fest, and Clyde Fair. These obligations may only be waived at the sole discretion of the Coordinator or the Committee based on valid reasons with advanced notification. The court may be asked to attend functions with or in place of the queen.

Write updates for the CCCC Facebook page informing the community of your activities and submit them to the coordinator to be posted online.

The CCCC Committeee will not be responsible for paying for expenses of meals for chaperones, family members, runner ups, etc. The Queen will be the only person paid for by the committee. You will be responsible for paying for the costs of these meals which typically range from \$15-22.

Attend at least 2 of the monthly CCCC meetings beginning with the wrap up meeting in October. Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of each month (Jan. – July) at 6 p.m. at the Castalia Flower Shoppe on Main Street. Must attend Meetings closer to Cold Creek.

Queen and court must be chaperoned by at least one parent or legal guardian for the group, approved by the Coordinator, at any away activities.

The queen elect must have a vehicle to tow the float and any driver for the float must be at least 24 years of age, have a good driving record and a valid driver's license and insurance.

Queen is responsible to maintain all decorations and/or accessories for the float during her reign and must be turned over to the new Queen in the SAME condition as received. License plates and insurance will be renewed by the Committee for the float. Storage of the float is the responsibility of the Queen unless the Committee secures a secure place in the future. (Currently being stored by the Committee behind village hall if that fails for any reason the queen may be asked for a spot to hold it.)

Individual and Court photos must be completed during Cold Creek Weekend of the reigning year and will be done with Reaganne Wilson Photography. You must wear your crown and sash for these photos. Submit photos to the Committee for publications in the next year's brochure. The Queen will also get an additional photoshoot at the end of her reign to choose an image to go in the window at Cold Creek.

Court must be present the next CCCC to crown the new CCCC Queen and Court.

The outgoing queen is responsible for planning the Queen's Luncheon held in her honor on Sunday of the CCCC with the help of the coordinator. The outgoing queen is responsible for seeking donations to fund the luncheon by sending letters to local contributors and following up. You are allowed up to \$200 for decorations or any additional items you may want to purchase that will be refunded by the CCCC Committee with proof of receipts. Any money spent over \$200 will be your responsibility. Any food purchased that was not with the caterer is the responsibility of the queen. The outgoing queen may choose the meal and the theme for the event along with what colors the outgoing court should wear. Every outgoing court member is responsible for purchase of an age appropriate gift for the goodie bags at the seat of each visiting royalty.

It is also the outgoing Queen's responsibility to send invitations to the luncheon to area queens and guests (coordinator will assist). The Grand Parade chairman provides a list of queens invited to the parade. You are responsible to add any new names that you might have to the parade by May 1st of that year if they are to be included in the parade.

ALL activities will be set up by the Royalty Coordinator. If you have an additional suggestion for activities, please provide the details to the Coordinator.

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