

Miss Westfest 2019 Rules and Requirements



Sponsorship:

- Contestant shall be sponsored by an organization, business or individual.
- **Sponsorship Fee: \$100.00**
 - Contestant sponsorship includes 2 mugs and 2 Pivo tickets

Eligibility Requirements:

- Contestant shall be a High School Sophomore, Junior or Senior.
- Contestant shall not be married or have any dependents.
- Contestant should reside in the West area or the surrounding communities of Abbott, Aquilla, Gholson, Penelope, or Ross or be enrolled in the Independent School Districts of West, Abbott, Aquilla, Gholson, or Penelope.
- Contestant shall not be a representative of another local title in the towns of West, Abbott, Aquilla, Gholson, Penelope or Ross due to a conflict of representation.

Dress Code / Etiquette:

- Contestants are required to wear a Czech Dress Costume during all Miss Westfest contest activities.
- Contestants are required to refrain from consuming alcoholic beverages.
- Miss Westfest is required to wear Miss Westfest sash throughout the festival and her Czech costume until excused by a Westfest Director and/or Miss Westfest Coordinator.
- When Miss Westfest is excused from required costume, no short shorts, crop tops or other inappropriate revealing clothing shall be worn. When not in costume, Miss Westfest shall wear a Westfest T-shirt with shorts or jeans as appropriate. (T-shirts will be provided to Miss Westfest following the contest.)

Contestant Required Attendance:

*** Miss Westfest will be crowned on SATURDAY morning at 9:30am.**

*** The Crowning will be held at the intersection of Reagan and Oak PRIOR to the parade.**

- All contestants must attend a pre-festival interview the Sunday afternoon prior to the festival.
- All contestants must attend the festival social located in the Westfest Director's Office on Friday evening followed by an on-stage introduction at the Friday Night Preview Party.
- All contestants are required to meet at Reagan and Oak by the stage by 9:00am Saturday morning.
- After the crowning, all contestants are required to ride on the Miss Westfest float in the parade.
- All contestants will ride the float to opening ceremonies and be present for the ceremony.

Miss Westfest Required Attendance & Appearances:

- Attend Westfest both Saturday and Sunday the weekend they are crowned
- Miss Westfest will participate in promotion of the festival for the following year including:
 - Kolache Photoshoot
 - Media appearances
 - Distribution of festival brochures and posters
- Miss Westfest will participate in the following events throughout reign:
 - City of West Trunk or Treat night
 - Ennis Lights Festival in November
 - City of West community Thanksgiving dinner
 - National Polka Festival parade in Ennis Memorial Day Saturday
 - Westfest member meetings in November, April and August
 - West day at the Capital
 - Jr Historian events (if applicable)

Festival Admission:

- All contestants will be given admission packets at the interview the week prior.

Applications:

- Applications are available on the Westfest website (<http://www.westfest.com>) and at JoAnn's Bridal during normal business hours.
- Applications **must be turned in** to JoAnn's Bridal by close of business (6:00 pm) on Wednesday, August 21, 2019. No late entries will be accepted.

JoAnn's Bridal, 700 W Oak Street, West, Texas 76691

Miss Westfest
Application and Consent Form

Sponsor: _____

Applicant Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Birthdate: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Parent Information:

Parents: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

I HAVE READ THE CONTEST INFORMATION AND ELIGIBILITY RULES AND REQUIREMENTS. I UNDERSTAND THE RULES AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THEM. I HAVE MY PARENTS' CONSENT TO ENTER THE "MISS WESTFEST" CONTEST.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

WE, THE PARENTS OF THE ABOVE NAMED APPLICANT, HAVE READ THE CONTEST INFORMATION AND ELIGIBILITY RULES AND REQUIREMENTS WE UNDERSTAND THEM AND AGREE TO HAVE OUR DAUGHTER ABIDE BY THEM. SHE HAS OUR CONSENT TO ENTER AND PARTICIPATE IN THIS CONTEST.

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Contestant Essay

Contestant Essay:

Please review the questions below and incorporate your responses in an essay to be submitted with your application.

- What does Westfest mean to you? And to our community?
- How do you promote and participate in Czech Heritage and culture and why is it important to you?
- If you were crowned Miss Westfest, how would you further the promotion of Westfest and our Czech culture?

Other items to include:

- Previous participation in Westfest to include volunteer hours, performances, etc:
- Future ambitions and goals
- Community involvement and extracurricular activities