



MISS AUBURN/SIERRA CITIES PAGEANT INFORMATION

Greetings from West Coast Pageant Headquarters!

We are very excited to be hosting the Auburn and Sierra Cities Pageants in Auburn, California! We look forward to having you join us for this exciting event. Below you will find important information to assist your preparation for the pageant. We wish you all the best of luck and we will see you in September!

Official Pageant Venue -

The Mt. Vernon Guild Hall - 3185 Bell Rd Auburn, CA 95602

Deadlines

To get the best rate, your pageant fee and application should be turned in by **Aug 20th, 2017**. Fees will incrementally raise after that date. Program Book ads should be submitted digitally at a minimum of 200 dpi in jpg format to westcoastpageants@live.com. Ads are due by **Sept 3rd**. Photogenic, and program photos will be taken by a staff photographer and photo shoot times will be set at orientation.

Tentative Pageant Schedule

Saturday, Sept 23rd

Interview Competition
Congeniality Voting

Sunday Sept 24th

Fun Fashion Competition
Gown/On Stage Interview Competition
Awards Ceremony

Interview

Interviews will be 2.0 min. long for 4-6, 3 min. for 7-10, 5 min for 11 and over. Contestants meet with our panel of judges and will be asked questions pertaining to family, school, personal values, community service, future goals. Ties are broken by the interview score. 4-14 yr old contestants are asked to wear their pageant t-shirts for interview along with jean capris, shorts or skirt, and white shoes. T-shirts will be delivered at registration. Hair should be done nicely, ribbons or hair adornments are your choice. Makeup should be light and natural since these are up close interviews. There will be no extra outfit needed for interview to help you save on expenses and so that all contestants are judged on their personality, not their wardrobe. Teen, Miss, Ms & Mrs Contestants are asked to wear an interview dress or suit. Something you would wear to a job interview, in a complimentary color. Interviews will be held at Ringside Gym – 9250 Cypress St., Newcastle.

Evening Gown

Evening Gown combines the scores of gown, & on-stage interview. The "Gown" category is the most beautiful, graceful portion of the competition. Contestants wear a gown of their choosing, and are judged on poise, grace, confidence on stage and overall appearance. Ages 4-6 should wear a short dress. Ages 7-10 may wear a short or long party dress. Ages 11 and over should wear a full length gown. Please make sure that the color and cut of the gowns are age appropriate. Rhinestones and sparkles are fine. Makeup should be natural looking and complimentary, not overdone. After individual contestants have modeled, each contestant returns to the stage for her on stage interview. Judges will be looking for how well you can think on your feet!

Fun Fashion

Outfits for Fun Fashion should show your personal style! These should be more along the lines of “fashionable” or upscale outfits, not sporting or cheer outfits. Each contestant will be asked to write her own commentary for this event, to help explain the outfit she is modeling. This commentary needs to be emailed to us no later than **Sept 10th**! There will be NO custom music for this event!! You will have music, that will be supplied by the pageant. Once you have submitted your commentary, there will be NO changes.

Photogenic

Submission of one headshot is included in your entry. Photos will be judged on clarity, composition, eyes, smile and age appropriateness. Hats, sunglasses, & distracting items should not be included in photo.

Be Natural!

We do not allow flippers/falls on any contestant. Makeup and hair should be kept natural and age appropriate. Ages 15 & up may wear false eyelashes and extensions if desired. We do not mark down for braces, glasses, size, etc. Ages 6 and under are fine with lip color and mascara, but full makeup is not necessary. If your child is pale under stage lighting you may add a little blush, but all make up must look natural. Your child will be placed according to her personality, poise and judges appeal, not her hair and makeup!

Staging

All contestants will be modeling on a rectangular stage. Contestants will enter on the left side of the stage, walk the pattern and then exit the right side of the stage. Modeling should be natural style, which can include poses, turns and light footwork, but no choreographed routines or “dancing” on stage. Girls should not sit or lay on stage at anytime while modeling. There should also be NO coaching from the audience, & no one may stand behind the judges at any time.

Community Service Award

If you would like to enter the Community Service category, please turn in a one page letter explaining the service you have completed in the last year. You can include up to 3 photos of you performing the service and up to two letters of recommendation for this award. There will be separate awards for this category and it will have no bearing on overall points for Queen. Entries are due **Sept 10th**.

Academic Award

Contestants must submit a copy of their (2) most recent report cards. Entries must be submitted by **Sept 10th**.

Titleholder Ruling! –

Outgoing Queens ARE NOT allowed to compete in the pageant! Queens must wait one year before competing for a city title again. If you have any questions regarding your eligibility, please contact the director.

Queen Titles

Entry into ONE Queen category is included in your entry fee. If you wish to be eligible for the second Queen title, you may pay the additional fee. This will qualify you to be eligible for both titles in the division. You will be awarded the higher of the two titles. The Queen titles are NOT double crownable.

Pageant Charities

Our new Queens will get to choose their favorite charity as the official charities of the 2017-2018 pageant year!! This will be announced after the awards ceremony. All of our new Royal Court Members will be invited to support these charities throughout the year.

Photos and Videotaping

If you wish to videotape or photograph any portion of the competition, you MUST purchase a Pageant Photo Pass. You may only shoot YOUR child's performances unless you have prior permission from another contestant's parents to shoot them. Pageant Photo Passes can be purchased prior to the event and at the door for \$10. This pass covers all divisions of the event. Photography and videotaping must be done from either the back or sides of the room where you will not be a distraction to the contestants, audience or judges.

Program Book Ads

Each contestant is required to sell ONE ad. OR You can buy one to thank sponsors, wish your daughters good luck, or to promote a special charity, etc. Pricing is as follows:
Full Page \$85 • 1/2 Page \$60 • 1/4 Page \$40 • Business Card \$20 • Wish Line \$10 (2 lines of text, 20 characters per line) The deadline for ads is **Sept 3rd**. Please submit camera ready art by mail, or submit jpg or pdf files by email. Digital files must be between 200 & 300 dpi. All ads will be black and white. **The contestant who sells the most ads will receive a crown and banner and a program book for free!!** All contestants who sell an ad will receive one FREE program book with their entry. Additional books can be purchased for \$10 each. To guarantee programs, please order in advance.

Program Ad Fundraiser!

Want to earn money to go toward your entry fee? Here is the perfect way to do it! For every ad you sell AFTER the first one, **50% of that ad price will go toward your entry fees!** For example, sell ad #1 Bus. Card ad - \$25 toward printing. Sell ad #2 1/4 pg ad - \$20 toward printing & \$20 toward your fee. There is no limit to how many ads you can sell. Just make sure they are all turned in by the deadline! (1st ad must be business card size or larger)

Pageant Admission Tickets

Each contestant will receive ONE FREE admission ticket to all events for a chaperone. Tickets for family & friends to enjoy the pageant competition will be available for sale at the door. Children 5 and under and Military with ID are FREE for the entire event and awards. Here are the ticket prices:
Children 6-10 \$8.00 Adults 11 & up \$10.00

Sibling Discount - Families who have siblings competing will be offered a discount. The first child will compete at full price. The 2nd child will compete at 20% off. The 3rd child will compete at 50% off and the 4th child will compete at 75% off! This discount also applies to moms who want to compete!

Deposit

You may turn in your \$15 non-refundable deposit at any time to reserve your spot in the pageant lineup. The first contestant to turn in their deposit is the last to compete in the category!

Referral Credits!

For each NEW contestant you refer that registers and competes in the Pageant, YOU WILL RECEIVE A DISCOUNT! Tell your friends to join you in the fun! **\$25 OFF OF YOUR ENTRY FOR EACH NEW CONTESTANT!** (Not eligible for those who take advantage of the 25 year discount)

Cash/ Prizes – All cash prizes are paid at the END of the titleholders reign. All “Queens” must return to crown their successor and fulfill their duties at the next pageant. Those who do not return/ fulfill their obligations will still receive their cash prize, BUT it will be reduced. Titleholders must make 12 appearances throughout the year and must positively represent West Coast Pageants. Any inappropriate behavior or negative influence cast upon the pageant system, its Directors or any members of its delegation may be cause to have titles/prizes revoked. Titleholders are responsible for maintaining contact and current mailing information to directors to receive their prizes.

**There must be at least 5 contestants registered in a division to guarantee the amount of the prizes awarded in that division. If there are fewer than 5 in a division, director reserves the right to lower the amounts awarded. Low entries in a division may cause that division to may be combined or cancelled. Director reserves the right to change/eliminate/add titles and prizes depending upon number of entries.*

Withdrawing from the Pageant – All registration fees are NON-REFUNDABLE. No exceptions. Contestants who withdraw from the pageant 3 weeks or more before the event, will have their fees refunded, less a 10% admin fee. Contestants who withdraw from the pageant 2-3 weeks prior to the event, will have ½ of their fees refunded less the 10% admin fee. Anyone who withdraws less than 2 weeks prior will not be awarded a refund.

We wish you the best of luck! Please feel free to contact us at any time with questions. See you soon!