



Fair Queen Program

Our Fair Queen Scholarship Program is designed to promote greater public understanding, awareness and interest in Pennsylvania's number one industry - agriculture¹. The Fair Queen and Ambassadors share a unique opportunity to promote our fair and our County's agriculture, as well as an opportunity for personal and professional growth, and development. The Fair Queen Scholarship 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 fair industry and sportsmanship in accepting success or defeat gracefully. In addition to building skills and relationships, a scholarship is presented to the elected Queen, and she will have the opportunity to represent our fair at the State Fair Queen Contest in January 2022.



CONTEST DATE: Sunday, July 17, 2022 @ 12:00 Noon

CONTEST DEADLINE: June 30, 2022

Fair Queen Contest Guidelines

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), message, promptness, and appearance. Judging will take place prior to the Fair. The results will remain sealed until Monday, July 25, 2022 at the Opening Ceremonies., the first night of the Fair.

1. Entrant must be a female at least 16 years of age and not over 20 years old by June 1, 2022, be a U.S. Citizen and a resident of Pennsylvania. In addition, she must also meet one of the following criteria:
 - live in or attend/graduated from one of the surrounding school districts (Phoenixville, Spring-Ford, Owen J. Roberts, Downingtown, Great Valley, CAT-Pickering, Kimberton Waldorf or Renaissance Academy),
 - an exhibitor of the Kimberton Community Fair,
 - a resident of Chester County
2. Be single, have never been married, have not been pregnant nor given birth to a child.
3. Not be a former Fair Queen winner or a former State Fair Queen contestant. You are not permitted to hold any additional year-long title during your reign, for any commodity, group or pageant. Exception: does not include things like Homecoming Queen or being elected the "2023 PA State Fair Queen".
4. Entrants must have their parent or legal guardians' signature on the entry form. The purpose of this signature is to allow Kimberton Fair to use the transcript for the interview. This entry signature also ensures the parents/guardian is aware of her participation in this contest and provides their consent to photos and videos that will be taken of all contestants for the use of promoting the Kimberton Community Fair and Fair Queen Program.
5. Entrants should be able to meet all time commitments, Queen Obligations, Behavior Policy and dress code as set forth by the Kimberton Fair Board and the Pennsylvania State Fair Queen Program.
6. Be an upstanding citizen and of good moral character (at the discretion of the Fair Board).



¹ Agriculture includes various commodities of Pennsylvania including livestock (dairy, beef, poultry, swine, goats, sheep, equine, and rabbits), agronomic/horticulture/forestry, and other general agri-science and agri-business organizations including many "Green" initiatives.



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7. Entrants will be required to attend night of the 2022 Kimberton Community Fair – July 25 – 30, 2022; to participate in nightly activities.
8. The scholarship award will be presented after all commitments and obligations have been met and proof of scholarship eligibility by presenting a current tuition bill or grade report from her college/university. The entrants may receive a variety of individual prizes.
9. The elected Queen is expected to be responsive in a timely fashion to the calls and emails of the Queen Coordinator or the Fair Board members.
10. In the event that the elected Queen is unable to fulfill her duties or is dismissed and replaced by the next eligible Princess or Ambassador, she will immediately relinquish her title and all privileges and prizes awarded to her. The sash and crown are the property of the Kimberton Community Fair and will be immediately returned in the same condition as received or reimburse the Fair in the amount of \$70 for replacements.

The deadline for entry is June 30, 2022.

The decision of the judge's and/or the Kimberton Fair Committee is final. This contest may be cancelled if we have two or less entrants. You will be contacted from the Queen Coordinator by email if this occurs.

Behavior Policy

A “Zero Tolerance Behavior Policy” has been established by the Kimberton Fair Queen and the PA State Fair Queen Programs. The following will be considered violations of the policy and will be grounds for immediate dismissal.

- Illegal types of behavior, such as drug or tobacco product use, alcohol consumption;
- Smoking, by a legal aged person, will only be tolerated in private settings, never in a public location while representing the Kimberton Fair;
- Behavior during the fair or other related functions that is unbecoming, unmoral or detrimental to the Queen program as determined by the Kimberton Fair Board, including but not limited to on-line representations on the internet social networking sites (i.e. Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, etc.);
- Unresponsiveness to the requests and contacts of the Queen Coordinator or the Fair Board;
- Any defamation of the Queen Contest, its winners and contestants, the Fair or the PA Fair Queen Program and their Directors and Committee members, whether it is oral or written. This includes postings on the Internet such as social networking sites;
- Disrespectful behavior of/with others. Boyfriends or significant others should display respectful behavior when accompanying the Queen. The general public and the Fair Board should be able to believe any individual accompanying you is part of your “family”. Public displays will not be tolerated;
- Clothing or dress that is indecent or inappropriate as set forth in the dress code;
- Admitting unauthorized personnel into the Queen’s Room. Authorized personnel include Fair Board members, contestants and their Guardian’s, or as authorized by the Queen Coordinator;
- Pregnancy/Marriage;
- Conviction of crime other than minor traffic offense;
- Any unsolicited or unauthorized appearances or representations of the Queen Program in crown and banner;
- Any unsportsmanlike or uncooperative conduct before, during and after the competition.

**Always remember that your actions or appearance
portray an image of our fair to the public.**



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Dress Code

Wearing the Fair Queen Crown and Sash is to be considered an honor and privilege. The bearer represents herself, her family, her community and our Fair. Therefore professional appearance is expected while in crown and sash during the fair or special event:

- ☞ Acceptable clothing would be dressy shorts, sundresses, skirts, or dress pants.
- ☞ No jeans, t-shirts, or crop tops
- ☞ No sneakers, flip flops or boots
- ☞ No clothing that advertises, promotes, or glorifies the use of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or anything inconsistent with the dignity of the Queen Program.
- ☞ No item should be revealing in anyway (cut too short [2" past fingertips at sides of body] or too low [cleavage]).
- ☞ Excessive make-up or jewelry is not permitted.
- ☞ No visible body piercing (other than earrings).
- ☞ Tattoos should not be visible during any contest or fair activity.



Judging Guidelines

Winner receives a Scholarship upon meeting the following obligations:

- ☞ Each prospective entrant must complete the Entry Form. Please read the entry form before filling it out. Entrants should outline what she wants to say on another piece of paper, then type or print the application. The entry form is used for publicity and the interview, so please complete it neatly. Separate paper may be used if additional space is needed.
- ☞ Write an essay on “*What Kimberton Community Fair means to my Community*”. Essay must be 300 words or less and **submitted prior to July 17**. The essay will be judged for content, grammar and spelling.
- ☞ The competition will be held on **Sunday, July 17, 2022** beginning at 12:00 p.m. at the Kimberton Fire Company, Rt. 113. Contestants will be given a time for their presentation; they should remain outside the building until it’s their turn. **Current CDC guidelines will be followed**. Please enter at door #1 (flagpole).
- ☞ Entrants must be prepared to give a 3-5 minute speech to the judges on “*Why You should come to the Kimberton Community Fair*”. This should be a persuasive speech appropriate for an adult audience. Cue cards may be utilized. Entrants will be judged on the effectiveness of their public speaking skills; not “entertainment”. Props may be used if they enhance the speech. Computer-based presentations are not permitted.
- ☞ The interview will be held on **Sunday, July 17, 2022** immediately following the speech. For the interview, each entrant will meet alone with the panel of judges for 5-10 minutes. The judges will utilize the information from your application as well as additional questions. You will be judged on your conversational ability, the answers to the judges’ questions, your appearance/poise, activities, and knowledge of the fair industry.

NOTE: The outfit for the interview and the speech should be of a business type. The night of the crowning a prom type dress should be worn.

Kimberton Fair Queen Obligations

Local obligations should take approximately 16 hours or less a month (except in January & July).

The crowned Queen will be required to fulfill additional obligations and appearances after Fair week, as presented below. These obligations may only be waived at the sole discretion of the Kimberton Fair Queen Coordinator or the Kimberton Community Fair Board based on valid reasons with advanced notification. The Fair Princess may be asked to also attend functions with or in place of the Queen (if the Queen is unavailable for valid reasons).

In the event that the elected Queen is unable to fulfill her duties and is replaced by the Princess, or next eligible ambassador, she will immediately relinquish her title and all privileges and prizes awarded to her. The sash and crown are the property of the Kimberton Community Fair and will be immediately returned in the same condition as received or she will reimburse the fair \$70 for replacement.

- Have a meeting with the Queen Coordinator, yourself (the new Queen), and your parents to review the expectations of the Kimberton Fair Board and these Obligations following the Opening Ceremony or within one week following the fair.
- Assist with writing updates for the Kimberton Queen Facebook page. Some suggested topics would be:
 - How it feels to be the new Kimberton Fair Queen;
 - Anticipation of going to the State competition;
 - How you did at the state competition;
 - Upcoming new Queen search;
 - Upcoming fair;
 - Fundraisers; Agricultural highlights
 - Community activities
- Attend 4-day Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs Convention in January 2023. If she is unable to attend the state level competition, the Princess may be sent in her place and will represent the Kimberton Fair as our Queen for the remainder of the year, at the discretion of the Fair Board. Kimberton Fair will pay the actual expenses of the Queen and one chaperone to the state contest. The alternate (Princess) and a guest will be invited to attend the Coronation Banquet at the state competition; the fair will cover the cost of their banquet tickets. Any additional attendees will be at their own cost.
- Attend the Farm-City Day in October (Inter-city youth brought to the farm show building to learn about agriculture).
- The Queen and Princess must send a brief update to the Fair Queen Coordinator every two months. The report must include information on the activities and events she has completed and plans of upcoming activities and events. Queen Coordinator must approve in advance any activities not scheduled by the Queen Program.
- Attend Toastmasters Club to practice speech prior to convention. (Toastmasters is a club to help with public speaking skills, many companies use this group to prepare for presentations)
- Help create pages for the “Queen Scrapbook”.

Other suggested activities may include:

- Read books to local daycare students about fairs.
- Talk to local service groups about volunteerism and the fair. (“Why you should come to our Fair”)
- Learn about county and state agriculture. Learn how cheese is made; see how grapes are turned into wine at the local vineyards; learn about CSAs.
- Attend regional community events (Mushroom Festival, Community Days), as they are arranged.





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- Attend other fairs associated with the PSACF, when invited.
- Be present/active in Kimberton Fire Company fund raisers that are age appropriate.
- Help other service clubs with fund raisers (Lions Club sell Easter flowers, Kiwanis sell ducks), as requested.
- Support regional agricultural businesses by appearances as requested or arranged.
- Meet our local legislators and be introduced to the State Legislative bodies, as arranged.
- Participate in the promotion and activities of the 2023 Fair Queen Contest (attending presentations at schools, 4-H meetings, etc.)
- Crown the 2023 Kimberton Fair Queen

ALL activities will be set up by the Fair Queen Coordinator.

If you have an additional suggestion for activities, please provide the details to the Coordinator.





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Important Contestant Dates

Date		Event	Time	Location
June 30	Saturday	Deadline for Entry		
July 17	Sunday	Speech & Interview Contests	12 p.m.	Kimberton Fire House – Door #1
July 20	Wednesday	Queen Crowning Rehearsal	7 p.m.	Kimberton Fairgrounds – Outside stage area
July 25	Monday	Pampering Day - hair, make-up & nails will be done for you	5 p.m.	Kimberton Fairgrounds – Admin. Office
July 25	Monday	Queen Crowning	TBD	Main Stage
July 25 – 30	Fair Week		6 – 10 p.m.	Fair Grounds

(if there is a problem with any date, please talk to the Queen Coordinator, other arrangements may be available)

Pennsylvania State Fair Queen Obligations

Below is a list of the State Obligations:

- ☞ Attend all PA State Fair Queen Program sanctioned events including, but not limited to: Cornucopia (Harrisburg), PA Travel Council Tourism Day (Harrisburg), Ag Progress Days (Rock Springs, PA), Farm-City Day (Harrisburg), the Pennsylvania Farm Show (Harrisburg), and the Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs' convention (Hershey).
- ☞ Attend fairs in all four (4) zones of the PA State Association of County Fairs (PSACF), when invited. (Fair Season: May – Oct.)
- ☞ Attend other events/obligations that may arise on behalf of the PSACF.
- ☞ Keep an Event Summary log (Event name and location, purpose/target audience, number of attendees, and contact person).
- ☞ Make a scrapbook and create a display for the 2024 PSACF Convention showing how she promoted fairs and agriculture during her reign.
- ☞ Attend and participate in the 2024 State Fair Queen competition and crown the 2024 State Fair Queen.
- ☞ Show proof of scholarship eligibility by presenting a current tuition bill or grade report from her college/university.
- ☞ Was exclusively the PA State Fair Queen for her entire reign and did not participate in any other pageants nor hold a title for any other commodity group during that time.

If selected as the new PA State Fair Queen, the Queen will receive a
\$2,500 First Place Scholarship