



JONES COUNTY

HERITAGE PAGEANT

at the Jones County Heritage Festival

PAGEANT HANDBOOK

FOR YOUTH AGES 4-18



Introduction



Little Miss Heritage participants in 2015

Welcome to the Jones County Heritage Pageant. This pageant is held during the Jones County Heritage Festival in Trenton, NC. The purpose of this pageant is to allow young women in North Carolina an opportunity to show their talent, make new friends through the spirit of competition, and most importantly - to have fun! We look forward to the youth participating in an activity during the festival and look forward to their contribution to heritage this year and the years after!

This handbook will provide all of the requirements and details about the Jones County Heritage Pageant.

Thank you for your participation,
Jones County Heritage Festival Committee

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Participation Requirements

01 Read the handbook

Be sure to read this handbook thoroughly for rules, expectations, and details about Jones County Heritage Pageant.

02 Submit your application

All participating youth must be registered with us online. The registration link to the Jones County Heritage Pageant is:

www.go.ncsu.edu/jCHF_pageant

Hard copy applications are available by request:

N.C. Cooperative Extension - Jones County Center

367-A Hwy 58 S

Trenton, NC 28585

MON-THURS 8AM-5PM & FRI 8AM-12PM

252-448-9621 or jcheritagefestival@jonescountync.gov

03 Pay the fees

It is \$30 per youth to participate. You may have a sponsor pay your fee, but it is not required. Application form and fees are due by [August 19th, 2024](#).

Fees to be mailed or turned in to:

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Code of Conduct

Please review the Code of Conduct for the Jones County Heritage Pageant. Our online application will have you electronically sign that you agree to adhere to the Code of Conduct.

The Jones County Heritage Pageant requires a high standard of conduct from our participants and their families, in order to project a wholesome, positive image for our Jones County Heritage Festival and pageantry as a whole.

We expect all participants and their families to conduct themselves in a manner that is courteous, professional, and reflects positively for the Jones County Heritage Pageant and the Jones County Heritage Festival. Participants and their families acknowledge that their behavior towards others is a direct representation of the Jones County Heritage Pageant.

Disrespectful behavior toward other participants, parents/guardians, festival staff, sponsors, and judges will not be tolerated and is grounds for immediate dismissal. All participants and their families agree that they will not post negative or disparaging comments about any Jones County Heritage Pageant participant online. Anyone found to be engaging in this type of behavior will be dismissed from the Jones County Heritage Pageant and will not be able to participate in the future.

Rules

Please review the rules for the Jones County Heritage Pageant and the Jones County Heritage Festival. Our online application will have you electronically sign that you agree to adhere to the rules.

- All fees should be paid by Monday, August 19th, 2024. All fees should be mailed or hand delivered to Jones County Cooperative Extension (367-A NC Hwy 58 S, Trenton, NC 28585). Checks should be made payable to "JCHF" with "Jones County Heritage Pageant" in the memo or exact cash provided. You may also pay online: jcheritagefestival.com/jchp
- All fees are non-refundable unless you've withdrawn your application before the closing date (Monday, August 19th, 2024)
- Participants who have paid and withdrawn their application by the application closing date, August 19th, 2024 will be eligible for a refund upon completion of the festival. Participants who pay and do not show will not receive a refund.
- We will reach out to participants who have not paid to see if they still want to participate. If we do not hear back from the participant's parent/guardian - we will remove the participant from our participant list.

Rules Continued...

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- Online applications must be submitted by the deadline
- Contestants should be ages 4-18 on the day of the pageant
- Contestants do not have to live in Jones County to participate
- All contestants must be accompanied by a parent/guardian during the pageant

Age Divisions

Participants will be divided into age divisions based on the age they will be on the day of the pageant.

Mini Miss Heritage: 4-6

Little Miss Heritage: 7-9

Pre-Teen Miss Heritage: 10-12

Junior Miss Heritage: 13-15

Miss Heritage: 16-18

Pageant Categories

On Stage Presentation

Participants will introduce themselves while also modeling their outfit to the judges. Dresses and shoes must be age appropriate. Makeup is not required.

Talent

Participants will have up to 2.5 mins to showcase their individual talent. Be sure the talent is age appropriate and ensures the safety of the participant and those watching.

On Stage Question

Participants will be asked a question related to community and character. The complexity of the question is varied by age division.

Miss Photogenic

Participants will submit a photo that best represents their personality. This will be judged separate from the other categories.

All participant's clothing should be age appropriate. The participant's hair can be worn however you choose. Makeup is fine but must be age appropriate and is not required.

Pageant Scoring

- Participants can score up to 10 points in each category.
- The participant with the most points in each age division will be the winner for that age division.
- All participants are winners in our eyes and will still be awarded at the end.
- If there is a tie for 1st place we will have a tiebreaker round asking the tied participants another on stage question.

How We Score Each Category:

On Stage Presentation

Participants will be judged based off of their outfit to the judges. We will be looking to see if the dress, shoes, and makeup (if applicable) are age appropriate.

Talent

Participants will be judged based off of their talent. The more the talent wows us the more points you will receive.


On Stage Question

Participants will be judged based on the answer they give the judges.

Miss Photogenic

Participants will be judged based on how well their submitted photo represents their personality.

Example of Score Sheet

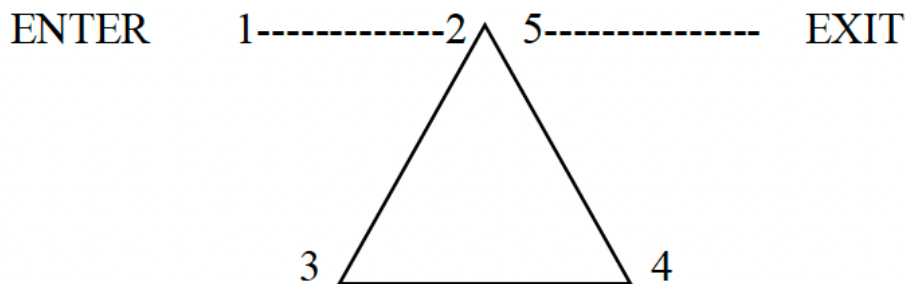
 SCORE SHEET	
Name: _____	
Age: ____ Age Division: ____	
County: _____	
<i>On Stage Presentation</i>	<i>up to 10 pts</i>
<i>Talent</i>	<i>up to 10 pts</i>
<i>On Stage Question</i>	<i>up to 10 pts</i>
<i>Miss Photogenic</i>	<i>Bonus Category</i>
Comments	
<i>Tips and positive feedback from the judges are listed here</i>	

Pageant Information

The pageant will begin at 10AM.

First, we will let all of the contestants walk out on stage together. We will call their name out and let them come to the front to wave. They will exit to go immediately to line up for 'Beauty'. When every child has been called, the 'Beauty' competition will begin. They will follow the walk pattern and exit to get ready for 'Talent'. For 'Talent' each participant will have up to 2.5 mins to showcase their talent. When the last participant is on stage performing their talent, the remaining participants will line up for the 'On Stage Question'. The judges will ask an open-ended question about community and character in which they will stop to answer, afterwards they will continue their walk and exit. After the last participant finishes, all participants will be grouped by their age divisions and awards will be given out.

Walk Pattern:



Walk practice will be held at the Jones County Civic Center but not required. Date/time will be sent to the Parent/Guardian listed on the application.

Pageant Interviews:

We will be offering interviews to all Jones County Heritage Pageant participants. Basic questions will be asked to get to know the participant. These videos will be uploaded to our Jones County Heritage Festival website and Facebook.

If you'd like your participant(s) to be included in this interview please select that option on the application. More information including the interview dates/times will be sent to the parent/guardian who has opted in the Little Miss Heritage Interviews after registration has ended.

Contact Us

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