



2026 LaGrange County Princess Pageant Checklist Form

Contestant Name: _____

- Application - Emailed
- Signed Application
- Sponsorship information and \$50 Sponsorship
- Photo - Emailed
- Biography/Resume
- Rules and Regulations Signed
- Contestant and Participant Code of Conduct
- Outfit Check
 - Interview/Professional wear attire
 - Evening Gown Attire

Attendance at Meetings: 2 points per meeting



2026 LaGrange County Princess Pageant Information

Questions: Email anyone below or lagrangecountyfairpageant@gmail.com

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Deadline for applications Friday, May 8, 2026

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- ★ \$50 fee - must accompany each entry. This fee is non-refundable & will be used to help defray contest expenses. Checks Payable to: LaGrange County 4-H Fair Association
- ★ Photo – Must be EMAILED & INCLUDED with the entry. It will be used for publicity purposes. (ie, photographer’s studio, school picture, does NOT need to be taken by a professional photographer). Email to: lagrangecountyfairpageant@gmail.com
- ★ Biography/Resume - Please attach a page containing some interesting facts for publicity—include hobbies, clubs, school & church activities, honors received, etc. Use a resume format or an outline using bullets. A typed biography is best, as judges will see this application & bio.
- ★ Applications need to be TYPED. Do NOT change font or font size. Please email finished applications to lagrangecountyfairpageant@gmail.com
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 - Forms that need to be signed will be printed off, and you will need to sign them at the **May 12th** orientation meeting at 6:00 pm at the **Fairgrounds**.

Mail or bring a check to the May 12th meeting:

**Princess Contest
LaGrange County 4-H Association
PO Box 207
LaGrange, IN 46761**

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LaGrange County Princess Pageant Application

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Candidate Information

Candidate Name:		
Age:	Date of Birth:	T-shirt Size:
County of Residence:		
Email Address:		
Home Address:		
Phone Number:		

Parents' Names and Address:

Parent Name(s):
Phone Number:
Address(s)

Sponsoring Organization's Name, Address, and Phone #:

Sponsor Name:
Address:
Phone Number:

Education

High School Attend(ed):	Grade:
College (if applicable):	Year in college:
Major or Career/Study Interest:	
<u>ATTACH RESUME (judges will see these pages too)</u>	

Personal Questions

1. Club Memberships, Athletic Teams, and Extracurricular Activities:

2. Honors of Recognition:

3. Subjects of Special Interest (Hobbies, Non-School Activities, and Future Plans):

4. Who is your Role Model and why?

5. Professionally, where do you see yourself in 10 years?

6. What is your favorite part of the fair?

7. What three words best describe yourself?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

8. Most Humbling Experience:

You will sign this at the first meeting on **May 12th.**

By signing this application, I acknowledge and confirm that all information is accurate and is subject to verification. All information is confidential and will be reviewed only by the pageant committee and pageant judges.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

2026 LaGrange County Fair

Princess Division Requirements

Division 1: Interview

(closed to the public, held the morning of the pageant.)

- ★ Attire: Contestants will interview in black pants or a skirt and a white blouse of her choice, putting each on a more even playing field.
- ★ Interviews will be one-on-one with each of the three judges, timed at (3) minutes each. Contestants will rotate to each judge, seated at a separate table in separate areas of a large room. This means each contestant will interview for a total of (9) minutes.

Not scored: Dance and Sponsor Speech

- ★ Attire: Queen T-shirt and Jeans with boots
- ★ Each contestant will prepare a speech no longer than one (1) minute, about their sponsor.

Division 2: Professional Wear

- ★ Attire: same as interview or your choice to express who you are (State they wear something different)
- ★ Pant suits or pant separates will be allowed. Suit does not have to be of the same fabric – separates will be allowed. A suit or dress worn by contestants in an interview may also be worn in the professional wear category. Props are not allowed.

Division 3: Prepared Speech

- ★ Attire: Same as interview and Professional Wear
- ★ Each contestant will prepare a speech no longer than one (1) minute, about anything of the contestant's choice. Speeches will be scored on natural speaking ability, delivery, poise, and originality. Each speech will be timed, with one (1) point deducted for speeches going over one minute. Props, music, and audio-visuals will not be allowed.

Division 4: Evening Gown

- ★ Attire: Long Evening Gown
- ★ At least one portion of the evening gown's hemline needs to be floor length (touching the floor or the contestant's foot). Other portions of the dress may be knee or tea length, depending on the design of the dress. Gowns with the skirt split above the knee (more than 2" above the kneecap), mid-drift exposed, and/or a low-cut bodice will be discounted by the judges.

Division 5: Impromptu A " word" question on stage

ADDITIONAL AWARD

Miss Congeniality

This is voted on by all the contestants. The contestant who shows the most sincere attitude and enthusiasm for the contest. Contestant that is friendly and genuinely concerned for other contestants and their performance.

Failure to comply with the above requirements could result in the loss of judging points. Points and score sheets are for the judges' assessment only and will not be available to view following the pageant.

LaGrange County Fair Princess Contestant and Participant Code of Conduct

As a Fair Princess contestant or participant, I agree that I will:

1. Conduct myself courteously and respectfully, exhibit good sportsmanship, and demonstrate reasonable conflict management skills at all times;
2. Be truthful and forthright when representing the LaGrange County-Fair Princess Contest, the sponsors, and the LaGrange County Fair.
3. Under no circumstances shall I possess, consume, or be under the influence of alcohol, tobacco, tobacco-like products, illegal drugs, or other dangerous substances while representing the LaGrange County Fair or the sponsors;
4. Recognize that any verbal or physical abuse by me will not be tolerated;
5. Not commit any criminal acts or associate with anyone committing criminal acts;
6. Accept my responsibility to represent the LaGrange County Fair and my sponsor by being a positive role model for our youth;
7. Accept supervision and support from the Princess Committee and its Director;
8. Operate machinery, vehicles, golf carts, and other equipment safely and responsibly, especially when on the LaGrange County Fairgrounds;
9. Humanely treat animals;
10. Use technology (phone use and computer use included) in an appropriate manner that reflects the best practices of our community and the development of our youth;
11. Be completely honest in connection with any activity that I participate in by virtue of being a LaGrange County Fair Princess contestant or participant;
12. Not cheat or knowingly furnish false information;
13. Not alter the records or use without authorization any records as a contestant or participant in the LaGrange County Fair Princess Contest or any of its activities;
14. Not obstruct or disrupt any of the LaGrange County Fair Princess contestant activities or aid or encourage any other person to engage in such conduct;
15. Comply with all of the specific terms and conditions of any given activity associated with The Fair Princess Contest or any related events;

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16. Aid and encourage other persons to comply with the specific terms and conditions of the Fair Princess Contest or any of its associated activities.
17. Comply with the directions of the Princess Committee, the Director of the fair Princess Contest, or any Fair officials acting in the proper performance of their duties;
18. Not possess or use firecrackers, gun powder, firearms, chemicals, or other materials that can be used to create an explosive mixture or a dangerous situation when it is inappropriate to do so
19. Not misuse fire equipment or sound a false fire alarm;
20. Not have a guest of the opposite sex in my sleeping quarters;
21. Not physically or verbally abuse any person, or conduct myself in such a manner that I threaten or endanger the health or safety of any other person;
22. Not commit a theft or maliciously damage any property;
23. Not participate in immoral, lewd, indecent, or obscene conduct;
24. Not enter, use, or occupy any facility of another without proper authorization;
25. Not conduct myself in any manner which threatens or interferes with the maintenance of the appropriate order and discipline of the LaGrange County Fair Princess Contest or an associated activity or interferes with the rights of others;
26. Accept my responsibility to promote and support the LaGrange County Fair Princess A contest to develop an effective program.

I have been allowed to review these expectations and the opportunity to ask questions, and any questions have been answered to my satisfaction. By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and agree to abide by the behavioral expectations in this document. I understand that my failure to comply with these expectations may result in disciplinary action, including but not limited to relinquishment of any title which I receive, suspension, or termination of my participation as a contestant or participant in the LaGrange County Fair Princess Contest and its activities.

Signature of Princess Contestant

Date

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian if
Princess Contestant is under 18 years of age

Date

You will sign this at the first meeting on May 12th.

LaGrange County Fair Princess Pageant Rules and Regulations

1. Each contestant must be at least 16 years of age as of June 1, 2026, and cannot have had her 18th birthday on or before June 1, 2026.
2. Contestants cannot have had a child or be knowingly pregnant at the time of the county fair Princess pageant. If the 2026 LaGrange County Fair Princess becomes pregnant or is pregnant anytime during her reign, she will be required to relinquish her title.
3. A contestant must be an Indiana resident, a U.S. citizen, and represent her home county. One of her parents or legal guardians must also be an Indiana resident. The only exceptions: She may reside in an adjoining Indiana county if the majority of her activities are in the county in which she enters the contest. Should a fair represent more than one county, the winning contestant must reside in one of the participating counties.
4. Each contestant must be an active member of at least one worthwhile organization in her County (LaGrange), such as church groups, Girl Scouts, 4-H, etc. Eligibility is not limited to 4-H members.
5. No professional model is eligible. (A professional model earns her livelihood by modeling. A contestant who has had training or schooling in the modeling field, has been paid on occasion for modeling, or works for a fashion board, is not considered a professional model.
6. If the 2026 LaGrange County Fair Princess cannot perform her duties as outlined, the first Runner-up will become Princess. The line of succession will then continue if the first Runner-up is unable to fulfill the responsibilities.
7. Princess contestants will be judged based on their ability to converse, poise, and personality in three divisions:
 - Division 1: Interview
 - Division 2: Prepared Speech
 - Division 3 Professional Wear
 - Division 4: Evening Gown
 - Division 5: Impromptu "Word"
8. The 2026 LaGrange County Fair Princess and all participants are expected to be present and assist throughout the Fair (volunteering).
9. Any contestant crowned Miss LaGrange County Fair Princess shall not compete for any other title while holding the title of Miss LaGrange County Fair Princess. LaGrange County Fair Princess will also be required to relinquish any title that she currently holds and cannot make any appearances as LaGrange County Fair Princess unless authorized by the director of the pageant. Any violation of this policy will result in the loss of said title, and all prizes awarded must be returned within 10 business days.
10. The 2026 Fair Princess Contestants are required to ride on the Princess's Float during the 2026 Fair parade.
11. Should the contestant be chosen Miss LaGrange County princess, she is expected to **actively participate** in the fair activities throughout the week of July 11th - July 18th , 2026, as well as various scheduled events throughout the year.

LaGrange County Fair Princess Pageant Rules and Regulations

12. Contestants will **NOT** defame the Pageant, the LaGrange County Fair, the Pageant Directors and/ or Committee, and/or family members of **ANY** director or committee member and/or ANY of the Pageant Contestants, and/or any LaGrange County Princess's past or present through any action of her own, whether it be oral, written or otherwise stated before, during or after the Pageant. Contestants understand that if they defame any of the above names in any way, they will be banned from future LaGrange County Fair Princess Pageants, and the LaGrange County Fair Board could seek legal action.
13. The Pageant Directors and Committee expect each Contestant to display the highest degree of sportsmanship during the workshops, rehearsals, and any Fair or Pageant-related activities. Each contestant should be mindful that they are representing themselves, their family, their school, LaGrange County, and the Pageant. **Unsportsmanlike** conduct could result in the disqualification and affect future eligibility to compete in the LaGrange County Fair Princess Pageant. Any Contestant and/or family member, friend, or guest showing unsportsmanlike behavior will lead to the disqualification of the contestant.
14. **LaGrange County Fair Princess Pageant Committee reserves the right to change the foregoing Rules and Responsibilities contract as necessary at any time.**

I hereby acknowledge that I have read the official rules and responsibilities and I will comply with them in every way.

DATE: _____ **SIGNED:** _____

You will sign this at the first meeting on **May 12th.**

LaGrange County Fair Princess Pageant

Things to Remember

Sponsor Information

1. The contestant is responsible for finding a sponsor for herself (a local business, relative, 4-H Club Representative, etc.)
2. The contestant will be responsible for submitting a \$50 sponsorship fee from her sponsor. Sponsors will receive advertisements throughout the pageant and fair week. (Sashes for all contestants with Miss (sponsor name)
3. Contestants will prepare a simple 1-minute speech about their sponsor, to be said during the professional wear portion of the contest.

Pageant Attire

1. Contestant must have all apparel being worn during the pageant approved by the pageant director by the second meeting in JUNE.
 - a. Interview
 - i. Attire: Contestants will interview in black pants or a skirt and a white blouse of her choice, putting each on a more even playing field.
 - b. Professional wear attire
 - i. Can be the same as an interview, but welcome to wear something different
 - c. Evening Gown Attire

Day of the Pageant

1. Parents, relatives, friends, hairdressers, make-up artists, etc., are not allowed in the dressing rooms before or during the pageant. Assistance will be available.
2. You will need to be at Location: Free Stage Campers at time: ?????? with all your items you will need for the day of the pageant.
3. Interviews will be at time: ???? (depends on the amount of girls in the contest)
4. Pageant start time: 2 pm
 - a. Interview (before the pageant)
 - b. Introductions/Dance
 - c. Sponsor speech
 - d. Prepared Speech
 - e. Professional Wear
 - f. Evening Gown
 - g. Impromptu "Word"

During the LaGrange County Fair

1. The 2026 Fair Princess Contestants are required to ride on the Princess's Float during the 2026 Fair parade.
2. The Princess and Court must be prepared to spend their days and evenings at the LaGrange County Fair.
 - a. The Pageant Director will have a list of events to attend during the week of the LaGrange County 4-H Fair. The 2026 LaGrange County Fair Princess, Court, and Contestants are expected to **actively participate** in the fair activities throughout the week of July 11th - July 18th, 2026.
 - b. The Princess and Court are to wear their sash, crown, and sundress/romper/jumpsuit, or jeans without rips, and an appropriate (dressy) shirt while attending the fair. (Unless otherwise approved or showing animals at that time.)
 - c. 2026 LaGrange County Fair Princess Contestants are expected to wear their sponsor's sashes during the week of the fair.
 - d. Princess and Court should arrive on time, dressed and ready to represent LaGrange County. This not only applies to attire but overall appearance as well.
3. Attire- Princess, Court, and Contestants
 - a. Sundress/romper/jumpsuit, or jeans without rips, and an appropriate (dressy) shirt while attending the fair. All attire must be fingertip length, and no strapless attire is to be worn. Participating in any livestock events will require the attire listed above, with the addition of closed-toed shoes.

After the LaGrange County Fair

1. The 2026 LaGrange County Fair Princess will be expected to attend various events throughout the year to represent the 2026 LaGrange County 4-H Fair. Her court is welcome to join her at those events.