



DEPARTMENT 22

CONTESTS

Pre-register by July 23
Entering Saturday, August 22, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Maximum of 20 entries per exhibitor per department and one entry per class.

Judging Sunday 9:00 A.M. – Superintendent **Tonya Weiss** – 610-681-4293

Section 1
PSACF Special Contest
Showcasing Fairs and Carnivals

Exhibitor must be a resident of Pennsylvania - One entry per person.
Apron Details: Primary fabric should be themed material showcasing fairs and/or carnivals.

Entries will be judged on workmanship, worth of article, appropriateness of mater and design based on the following point system:

Overall appearance	25 points
Creativity	25 points
Workmanship/Suitablity	30 points
Design/Color	20 points



Premiums	\$10.00	\$8.00	\$6.00	\$4.00
Class				
100 - Half Apron	200 - Bib Apron			

First place winner from each local fair will be eligible to enter their apron in the 2027 PA State Farm Show contest. Only 1 will be chosen from the 2 styles to go to the Farm Show.

Prizes for 2027 PA State Farm Show

1st Place - \$250	2nd Place - \$150	3rd Place - \$100	4th Place - Rosette	5th Place - Rosette
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Section 2
Recycled Junk Art Contest

1. August 1, 2, or 3rd, pick up you 5 gallon bucket that has been filled with assorted recycle material at the West End Fairground Main Stage. All 30 buckets have the same items in them. Not all items need to be used but no extra parts can be added. Bucket and any items not used must be returned on entry day.
2. The project may not exceed 14" length x 14" width x 2" high and must be self-standing. (base material may be added if needed)
3. Recycled materials that are given can be welded, bolted, glued, wired, sanded, cut apart, painted, or attached with an type of fastener. Recycled material must be clean and free of odors.
4. Include an explanation on an index card or photo.
5. Entries will be judged on creativity, originality, overall finished appearance.
6. Entries will be brought to main exhibit building on entry day

Premiums	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$15.00
100 - Recycled Junk Art Contest			

Section 3
SCARECROW CONTEST

Premiums	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
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- *Entry must be made in the current year.
- *All scarecrows shall be constructed to be freestanding or sitting (no background)
- *Scarecrows should ne be taller than 6' or shorter than 3'.
- *Overall display size not larger than 4' x 4'.
- *Scarecrows should have a plain or happy face.
- *Props should not take away from actual scarecrow. Scarecrow is what is judged. Prop to help convey theme.

*Scarecrows will be judged on:

Originality	30 points
Conveys theme	30 points
Workmanship	20 points
General appearance	20 points

010 - Holiday	025 - It's Fair Time	030 - Celebrate America
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ADULT ARTIFICIAL DECORATED PUMPKIN CONTEST

Premiums	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$5.00
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- *Decorated pumpkin only — carved pumpkin will not be accepted for entry.
 - *Pumpkin will be judged on originality, workmanship, and general appearance.
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| 107 - Winter | 120 - In the garage |
| 110 - Original | 150 - Celebrate America |

YOUTH ARTIFICIAL DECORATED PUMPKIN CONTEST

Premiums	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$8.00	\$5.00
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- *Decorated pumpkin only — carved pumpkin will not be accepted for entry.
 - *Pumpkin will be judged on originality, workmanship, and general appearance.
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| 207 - Winter | 245 - School |
| 215 - Pattern on a pumpkin | 250 - Celebrate America |





DECORATED CHRISTMAS WREATH

Premiums \$11.00 \$9.00 \$8.00 \$6.00

- Wreath can be handmade or artificial
- Can use both handmade and purchased decorations
- Wreath will be judged on originality, workmanship & general appearance
- Maximum care will be taken with trees and accessories until reclaimed by exhibitors; however, the fair cannot be responsible for any damage or loss
- No power will be provided
- Decoration and appearance should convey the themes entered
- No feathers

700 - Color of the year ... Blue 706 - Summer 710 - 250 Years of America

DECORATED CHRISTMAS TREE CONTEST

Premiums \$40.00 \$30.00 \$20.00 \$10.00

- Tree must be an artificial size between 3 ft and 8ft.
- Can use both handmade and purchased decorations
- Trees will be judged on originality, workmanship & general appearance
- Maximum care will be taken with trees and accessories until reclaimed by exhibitors; however, the fair cannot be responsible for any damage or loss
- No power will be provided
- Decoration and appearance should convey the themes entered
- Must be decorated on all sides
- No feathers

800 - Color of the year ... Red/White/Blue 840 - 250 Years of America
805 - Collections
815 - How you decorate it for Christmas
820 - Wooden

MINI CHRISTMAS TREE CONTEST

Premiums \$20.00 \$15.00 \$10.00 \$5.00

- Tree must be an artificial size up to 2 ft.
- Can use both handmade and purchased decorations
- Trees will be judged on originality, workmanship & general appearance
- Maximum care will be taken with trees and accessories until reclaimed by exhibitors; however, the fair cannot be responsible for any damage or loss
- No power will be provided
 - Decoration and appearance should convey the themes entered
 - Must be decorated on all sides
 - No feathers

900 - Color of the year ... Red 940 - 250 Years of America
911 - Handcrafted
912 - School





Section 4
West End Fair Queen

100 - Fair Queen

QUEEN SCHOLARSHIP

The purpose of the West End Fair Queen Scholarship Program is to offer an opportunity for young women to prepare for their educational future. This is a scholarship program with values rooted in community, agriculture, and tourism. In this program, young women will have opportunities to speak publicly, learn, and grow knowledge of the agriculture industry and networking skills.

Important Dates:

Application Deadline: Sunday 7/5/26 (No exceptions)

Fair Week: Sunday 8/23/26- Saturday 8/29/26

Interview Date: Sunday 7/26/26 Time: TBA

Please **Complete and Submit** the Google Form Application

And **upload** your Essay

If you have any questions, please contact the West End Fair Committee at

fairqueenwefa@ptd.net

Below is the Google Form link:

[Fair Queen Application - Google Form](#)

West End Fairgrounds | 570 Fairground Road, Gilbert, PA 18331 | (610) 681-429

APPLICATION INFORMATION & STEPS

1. 300-600 Word Essay on “What the West End Fair means to the community” (30 pts)
 - a. Must be typed
 - b. Essay must be sent in with the application
 - c. Essay is judged on 3 categories:
 - i. Content
 - ii. Grammar
 - iii. Spelling
2. Interview Process
 - a. Professionalism/Introduction (20 pts)
 - i. Appearance- Business Attire, dress as if you are going to a job interview
 - Examples: Dress pants, dresses, skirts, blouses, sweaters, dress shoes
 - ii. Content- Standard Introduction
 - Example: “Hello, my name is _____. I am 15 years old and I attend Pleasant Valley High School. I grew up in Brodheadsville and currently plan to attend a veterinary program when I graduate.”
 - iii. Presence- Think about what you want to say before the day of your interview, memorize it, keep it simple! The best trick is to be prepared.
3. Personal Interview (20 pts)
 - a. This is approximately 10 minutes. The judges can ask questions and discuss topics that are important to the fair and agricultural industries.
 - b. Judging Criteria
 - i. Conversational ability/ answers to questions
 - ii. Appearance/poise/presence
 - iii. Interview conduct
 - iv. Activities
 - v. Knowledge of the fair
 - You do not have to be an expert on agriculture or be in 4H to join this competition. Passion for tourism and how it helps agriculture is just as valuable.
4. Speech Presentation (30 pts)
 - a. 3-5 minute speech, after the interview
 - i. Topic: “Why you should come to the West End Fair”
 - b. This should be a persuasive speech suitable for an adult audience. Contestants will be judged on the effectiveness of their public speaking skills. Overhead projectors or powerpoints presentations are not permitted.
 - c. Judging Criteria:
 - i. Speech content- (to include agriculture/community)
 - ii. Speech format
 - iii. Conveys the importance of the West End Fair
 - iv. Public Speaking Ability
 - v. Poise/ Presence
5. Turn in Google Form Application and upload your Essay





DISCLAIMER

- It is the responsibility of the contestant to provide the committee with at least two current telephone numbers and an email address. A prompt response is required within 24 hours.
- The Queen and Queen Alternate will be required to participate in scheduled events, activities, and public discussion.
- In the event of a natural disaster or other event, the West End Fair committee may change the dates and times as noted above.
- In the event that the West End Fair Queen cannot fulfill her duties; the queen alternate will become West End Fair Queen.
- Transportation must be provided by parents/guardians.
- **SOCIAL MEDIA** accounts cannot be created using the West End Fair's name or logo without authorization. The queen may send photos to the coordinator for review.
- The West End Fair Queen committee does not have to provide or disclose any scoring information as directed by the PA State Fair Queen program.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM RULES

Each West End Fair Queen contestant must:

1. Born a female, U. S. Citizen and a resident of Monroe County, Pennsylvania.
2. Be at least age 16, but no older than 20 years of age as of June 1st of the year entering the program.
3. Have not been a former West End Fair Queen.
4. Not hold any other state title for any other commodity group or pageant during her reign.
5. Have her parent(s) or guardian(s) consent to enter the competition.
6. Be single, never married, have not been pregnant nor given birth to a child.
7. Act in accordance with the West End Fair "Behavior Policy."
8. Meet all time commitments, obligations and "Dress Code Policy" as set forth by the West End Fair Queen committee.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Fair Queen Scholarship winner will receive:

- A \$1,000 Scholarship Check from the West End Fair at the completion of her reign.
- Fair Queen Crown and Sash - at opening ceremony.

Fair Queen Alternate winner will receive:

- A \$500 Scholarship Check from the West End Fair at the completion of her reign.
- Fair Queen Alternate Crown and Sash - at opening ceremony.

FAIR QUEEN DRESS CODE

1. Attire must be appropriate for formal and business casual event as outlined by the PA Fair Queen Program
 - Examples: Dress pants, dresses, skirts, blouses, sweaters, dress shoes.
2. All clothing **must be pre-approved** by the West End Fair committee for compliance with the program dress code.
3. Closed-toe shoes should be worn in livestock areas for safety- NO BOOTS.
4. No visible tattoos or piercings (other than earrings).
5. Outfits must not show cleavage, bra straps, be overly tight or revealing.
6. Dresses or skirts **must extend to at least the top of the kneecap.**
7. No clothing that promotes alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or disrespect to the Queen Program's dignity.

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QUEEN BEHAVIOR POLICY

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1. Any infraction of the West End Fair Queen Scholarship rules.
2. Smoking, drinking alcoholic beverages, chewing gum, foul language, and/or public displays of affection to dates/boyfriends while wearing crown sash and/or representing the West End Fair Queen Program.
3. Engagement in any illegal, unethical, indecent, and/or morally questionable behavior, including but not limited to online representations on the internet such as social networking sites (Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram, Tiktok, and VSCO, etc.)
4. Use of any illegal controlled dangerous substances.
5. Any defamation of the West End Fair Queen Scholarship, its winner and contestants, directors, committee members, and the West End Fair Queen program, whether it be oral or written. This includes postings on the internet and social media.
6. Any uncooperative or unsportsmanlike conduct before, during, or after the competition.
7. Appearing in the crown and sash at any event without an official invitation from an authorized event coordinator or event board member. The Queen must be accompanied by a West End Fair authorized chaperone 21 or older.





DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES

Scholarship winner will bear the title for One year:

During that time the winner will have duties that include attendance at multiple functions throughout the year. Failure to attend most planned events may result in disqualification.

1. **Opening Ceremony For the West End Fair:** Is always opening day of the fair (Sunday 23, 2026). The exact time will be on the westendfair.com website. Please reach out to the West End Fair Queen committee if needed. This is where the winner of the scholarship is announced. There is no prior notice of the winner until it is announced on stage.
2. **The West End Fair:** Plan to be available during the week of the West End Fair, as many obligations will take place throughout that time by helping with fair events, etc. Attendance at every single event is not required, provided by the fair queen committee is notified in advance and excuses of any conflicts due to any commitments.
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SIGNATURE & AGREEMENT

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**2025-2026 FAIR QUEEN
Abigail Smith**





JUNIOR MISS SCHOLARSHIP

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