

# 2025 Colorado County Fair Queen

## Rules and Regulations:

1. The Fair Queen contest is open to single girls between the ages of 15 - 18 as of September 1, 2025, and who are residents of Colorado County and attend public, private, or home school.

2. Contestants pay an entry fee of \$75.00, provided by a Sponsor (civic club, business, school, or service organization). Contestants may select a sponsor or be selected by a sponsor. A headshot photo of the contestant will be required and used for news and print for fair promotions, and Parent Permission is required.

3. Contestants are required to sell a minimum of 50 Season Passes to the fair. Contestants are encouraged to sell as many FAIR passes and Carnival passes as possible. The contestant selling the largest dollar value in ticket/carnival passes will be crowned Membership Queen on Thursday of the FAIR.

4. The Membership Scholarship Queen will receive the Pamela Potter Honorary Scholarship of \$2,000.00, and a buckle. The Membership Scholarship Recipient 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up receives a scholarship in the amount of \$500.00.

The Contestant chosen Fair QUEEN will receive the Leslie Schmidt Heard Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000.00, and a buckle. The Queen Contestant chosen 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-Up receives a Megan Bloecher Memorial Scholarship of \$500.

Scholarships will be payable upon high school graduation, proof of enrollment in a college, a business or trade school, and participation in Fair Association sponsored activities during the year.

5. Contestants who have previously won the Membership Queen contest may compete in the Fair Queen contest only. Former Fair Queens may compete in the Membership Scholarship contest only. Once a contestant has won either Fair Queen or Membership contests, she is ineligible to compete in that contest again.

6. Queens are expected to represent Colorado County by attending Fair events throughout the year, as well as ride on the Colorado Co. Fair Float in 80% of area parades. Parents/guardians are expected to help maintain and decorate the Fair Float for parades. Parents may be asked to pull the float at area parades. Parents and Winners are responsible for fulfilling this role.

If a Queen is unable to complete her position on the Fair Court, she will forfeit the scholarship and the first runner-up will take that position and will be awarded the scholarship and will fulfill the duties of the position for the remainder of the term.

7. Contestants should be in good standing within the school and community and promote a positive image for themselves and Colorado County. Contestants must be single, never married or divorced, not have given birth, or expecting a child. A contestant must be of good moral character and not engage in inappropriate or illegal activities that would be an embarrassment to the Fair Association or community of Colorado County. Activities to promote and engage in profanity, nudity, illegal drugs, alcohol, or inappropriate social media posts will result in forfeiture of title and awards. The Board of Directors reserves the right to make the final decision if this situation arises.

8. The contest will take place on Saturday, Sept. 6 at the Colorado Co. Fairgrounds Founder's Hall, and consist of two parts: a private interview with judges, and then a contest open to the public with contestants in FORMAL ATTIRE around 7:30 p.m. (following Jr. Queen contest). **CONTESTANTS SHOULD BE AT FAIRGROUNDS NO LATER THAN 6 P.M.**

9. The Contestant, or her parent, can attend an Informational meeting at the Fair Grounds Green Rm. on Tues. June 24, or Wed. June 25 from 4-6 pm, on either day for sign-up, information, and Season/Carnival passes to sell. If unable to attend either day, contact Christy Alonso at 979 942-0902 or go online to get info/packet, and to register/receive packet by the deadline.

**DEADLINE TO ENTER PAGEANT: 5 p.m.- Friday, July 11, 2025-Call Christy A.**

10. Judges' selection of Fair Winner is based on: public presentation (stage presence, poise, response to questions), private interview (personality, response to questions, and appearance), and Community/Fair participation. Out-of-County Judges' decisions are Final.

Contact Christy Alonso at 979 942-0902 or Shannan Gerik 979 732-0865

For any questions or further details about the contest.