

Blossomtime Festival

2024 Miss Teen Blossomtime Competition
Official Application and Release Form

Sunday, November 19, 2023, 3:00 pm at St. Joseph High School

\$75.00 Non-refundable Entry Fee – Checks payable to: Blossomtime Festival
Must purchase/sell 2 pageant tickets @ \$25.00 each & \$75 worth of Good Luck Ads

Contestant Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Cell # _____
Email: _____
Name of School and Current Grade: _____

Name of Father/Guardian: _____
Address: _____
Phone #: _____ Cell #: _____
Email: _____

Name of Mother/Guardian: _____
Address: _____
Phone #: _____ Cell #: _____
Email: _____

REQUIREMENTS

1. I am female. I must be 13 years of age, but not more than 15 years of age as of November 19, 2023, the year of the Miss Teen Blossomtime Competition in which I participate.
2. All entrants must continuously reside with a parent or legal guardian and maintain a permanent, year-round residence within Southwest Michigan. (Berrien, Cass, or Van Buren Counties).
3. **Application Packet & \$75 Entry Fee due on Monday, October 16, 2023, to the Blossomtime Office in person or mailed. (2330 S. Cleveland Ave., St Joseph, Mi 49085)**
All entry fees are non-refundable, and space is limited.
- ❖ **I MUST submit with this application a copy of my birth certificate.**
Sibling Discount – more than 1 child from the same immediate family competing in Bud Prince/Princess, Jr Teen or Teen pageant - \$50 each entry fee
4. All entrants must purchase/sell 2 pageant tickets @ \$25 each.
5. Any entrant who sells \$200 or more worth of ads will receive two (2) complimentary tickets to the pageant. (this would be in addition to the two tickets required to purchase/sell)
6. All entrants must sell minimum of \$75 worth of ads. **All Good Luck Ads MUST be turned in on a USB Flash Drive with a copy of the Good Luck Ad order form. Photo ads must be submitted in a jpeg or PDF format. Good Luck Ads are due on or prior to Monday, October 30th, 2023.** Late submissions will not be printed in the pageant program. **NO PAPER COPIES.**
7. All entrants must submit a headshot for the pageant program. (jpeg format). Headshots should be an individual shot of your child from the shoulders up, facing forward. Headshots will ONLY be accepted on a USB Flash Drive or emailed to the office at office@blossomtimefestival.org **Headshots are due on or prior to Monday, October 30th, 2023.** Late submissions will not be printed in the pageant program. **NO PAPER COPIES.**
8. I represent that I am not married, have never been married, and have never conceived a child. I understand if these conditions change that I must notify the Blossomtime Festival Board of Directors immediately and that this will affect my eligibility to participate in the competition and other events if part of the Miss Teen Blossomtime Court.
9. I represent that I do not have convictions for a criminal offense. Some common examples are minor in possession of alcohol, shoplifting, malicious destruction of property, or possession of drugs. I also represent that I do not have any juvenile adjudications in juvenile court for any similar offense. I understand that any conviction or juvenile adjudication disqualifies me from participating in the Miss Teen Blossomtime Competition. I further understand that I have a continuing duty to notify the Blossomtime Festival Board of Directors immediately in the event that I am charged with a criminal offense or petitioned into juvenile court for a similar offense in the course of the competition or during my reign as the Miss Teen Blossomtime. Pending a resolution of criminal charges, the Board of Directors may suspend a contestant or winner of the Miss Teen Blossomtime Pageant in Blossomtime activities. I understand that if selected for the Miss Teen Blossomtime that any criminal conviction during my reign will result in the forfeiture of my title and any prizes.

10. I agree to abstain from using drugs, alcohol, vaping or tobacco products during my reign. I understand that my title may be forfeited, whether I am convicted or not, if the Board of Directors finds sufficient evidence to conclude that I have used drugs, alcohol, or tobacco. I understand that being in attendance where alcohol is available (other than a function with my parents or a Blossomtime chaperone present or a state licensed establishment) is forbidden and may result in immediate forfeiture of my title and prizes.

Contestant_____ **Parent/Guardian**_____

11. If chosen as part of the Blossomtime Royalty Court you must take in consideration your appearance in your year of reign. During Blossomtime appearances and or private life your appearance (examples: clothes, makeup, hair, and etc.) must be at **all times age appropriate**. This consideration also goes towards your Facebook, Instagram, SnapChat and Twitter accounts. Please be cautious of what pictures or post you upload on your accounts. If notified of an inappropriate picture or post you must remove it immediately. Failure to comply could cause termination of your title.

12. I represent that I am physically able to participate in pageant rehearsals and all Blossomtime Festival activities.

13. I represent that I am now attending school full-time, or I am home schooled, and can provide proof if requested.

14. At the time of my present participation in a Blossomtime competition, I do not hold a local, state, national or international title of a pageant or competition. This may include any competition that has any of the following elements: interview, scholarships, talent, community service, crown and/or sash.

15. If chosen as a Blossomtime Title Holder or any member of their Court, I understand that I am not eligible to run for another title without board approval. A letter must be written to the Blossomtime Board of Directors requesting to compete for another title. All written requests must be made prior to the Blossomtime Application deadline. Requests will not be reviewed before completing 9 months of active reign. At this time, requests will be reviewed and may or may not be approved at the discretion of the Blossomtime Festival Board of Directors.

16. If I have competed in other pageants and won a title, I understand that I must first seek approval from the community organization about competing. If awarded any Blossomtime position, I agree I must forfeiture my original title to meet the requirements of the Blossomtime Festival. I will provide written confirmation (before I will be allowed to compete) from an official of the organization with which I have won a title. This document must state they have given me permission to compete and understand if I win any Blossomtime position, I will be resigning my original title immediately.

Contestant_____ **Parent/Guardian**_____

17. I understand that I must be a resident of Southwest Michigan (Berrien, Cass, Van Buren Counties). If selected as Miss Teen Blossomtime or a court member, I intend to continue to maintain a permanent, year-round residence within Southwest Michigan. I understand that if I move from Southwest Michigan during the year of my reign, and as a result I am unable to fulfill my obligation to Blossomtime, the Board of Directors may forfeit my title and any prizes awarded to me. Finally, I understand that participants may not cohabitate with a girlfriend/boyfriend during the reigning year.

18. Miss Teen Blossomtime contestants should have a long dress. Dresses should be age appropriate.
19. If I am selected as Miss Teen Blossomtime, I agree to participate in ALL designated Blossomtime Festival activities and abide by the rules and regulations of Blossomtime, Inc., including the Excused Absence Policy as set forth in the Handbook and provided below.

Contestant _____ **Parent/Guardian** _____

20. If selected Miss Teen Blossomtime or court member winner, I agree to the following:
- Miss Teen Blossomtime or court member may not, from the date of selection, participate in photos or videos, endorse, or in any way infer support of any commercial product or make personal appearances as a representative of the Blossomtime Festival without the consent of the Blossomtime Festival Board of Directors.
 - Except as approved by the Blossomtime Festival, I understand that during the year of reign as Miss Teen Blossomtime or Miss Teen Blossomtime Court I must not participate in any written or oral or implied endorsement or testimonial of any product or service for any commercial organization.
 - The entrant will attend all Blossomtime Festival events requested by the Committee even though another date may conflict with the Festival schedule.
 - Entrant will not attend any events unless a written invitation is received by the Blossomtime Office and approved by the Chaperone Committee.
 - The entrant will only wear the Blossomtime banner and crown as a representative. No other substitutions will be allowed.
21. I understand that if there exists any misstatement or inaccuracy in this application or a later failure to adhere to and abide by the Blossomtime Festival requirements herein or applied from time to time, the Blossomtime Festival may summarily and without notice to me terminate my participation in any and all Blossomtime Festival activities.
22. The winner of the Miss Teen Pageant (hereinafter referred to as contestant/titleholder) The contestant/titleholder does not own, have the right to, or control, in any way, the titles, crowns, logos, sashes, social media accounts, or other property of the Blossomtime Organization. Should the contestant/titleholder not meet her obligations, she may be advised to “cease and desist” the use of any titles, words, crowns, sashes, logos, social media accounts, or other properties associated with the Blossomtime Organization.

Other General Rules for All Contestants

- Alcohol, Illegal substances, tobacco, Vaping and Smoking**
The use or possession of alcohol or illegal substances or in the presence of either by participants is strictly prohibited and will be ground for immediate dismissal. Attending parties and events where alcohol and illegal substances are present are grounds for immediate dismissal.
Smoking/vaping is prohibited during all Blossomtime Festival functions and during a contestant’s reign and will be grounds for dismissal.
No warnings will be given. Failure to comply will result in immediate dismissal.

- **Communication Devices**

I understand that I am not allowed to have cell phones, Apple watches, Bluetooth devices, laptops or any other communication device when taking part in Blossomtime Festival events or during the hotel stays during the events. If I choose to bring these devices, they will remain in the possession of the chairperson or chaperone during that function. While at a Blossomtime event (i.e. community pageants, and Berrien County youth fair) your cell phone must be not used.

Only one warning will be given.

- **Body piercing**

Only **one pair of earrings** is allowed at any time for Blossomtime queens. Other body piercing must be removed or covered during Blossomtime Festival events. No nose, tongue, lip, or other various piercings will be acceptable.

No warning will be given.

- **Tattoos**

Visible tattoos are not allowed. They must be covered at all times. **No warnings.**

Contestant_____ Parent/Guardian_____

Blossomtime Festival Policy on Excused Absences for all Participants:

You are allowed 2 excused absences. All excused absences must have prior approval by email from the Chaperone Chairperson.

The Blossomtime Festival Board of Directors will review any further requests to determine if the participant is unable to fulfill his/her duties and whether removal from the Miss/Mr. Blossomtime Court is in the best interest of the Blossomtime Festival.

Any unexcused absences will be reported to and dealt with by the Blossomtime Festival Board of Directors and may result in termination of your reign.

Contestant_____ Parent/Guardian_____

CONSENT AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

By their signatures below, the applicant and her parent(s) or guardian(s) certify: 1) they have read and understand the rules and regulations as set forth in this document; 2) the applicant meets the requirements and will comply with the regulations stated; 3) they understand that untrue statements, misrepresentations, or failure to comply may result in the applicant's disqualification and/or forfeiture of any Blossomtime Festival title; 4) we hereby release to the Blossomtime Festival the applicant's records at any school attended by her; 5) we do hereby release, unconditionally, and forever, any claim against the Blossomtime Festival, its officers, directors, agents, employees and corporate sponsors, and agree to hold them harmless as to any claim arising out of any participation in the Blossomtime Festival or its activities.

Print name of contestant

Signature of contestant

Date

Print name of parent/guardian

Signature of parent/guardian

Date

DEADLINE:

Please mail or submit form with your entry fee to:

Blossomtime Festival

2330 S. Cleveland

St. Joseph, MI 49085

Telephone: 269/982-8016

Email: office@blossomtimefestival.org

Visit us on the web: www.blossomtimefestival.org

Blossomtime Cell Phone/Photo Release Policy

The Blossomtime Organization has a very strict policy on cell phone usage during rehearsals and on Pageant Day. The following policy is to be observed by all Contestants.

1. Cell phone usage is prohibited at all practices and rehearsals. Only one warning will be given. Should a situation arise that requires a contestant to use their phone, they must first obtain permission from the Pageant Chairperson prior to use. Phones will be brought to practices or rehearsals and collected by the committee. They will be returned at the end of practice.
2. On Pageant Day, all contestants **must** turn in their cell phones to the appointed Committee Volunteer when signing in for the day. **No exceptions.** All phones will be labeled and locked up for safe-keeping and will only be released upon a contestants' signing-out or in the event of an emergency.
3. Contestants further understand that their bags and other belongings may be subject to search for cell phones or other communication devices, with the contestant present, at any time on Pageant Day.
4. I, the undersigned, do hereby consent and agree that the Blossomtime Festival, Inc., its employees, or agents have the right to take photographs, videotape, or digital recordings of _____ and to use these in any and all media, now or hereafter known, and exclusively for the purpose of promotion of the Blossomtime Festival, Inc. I further consent that my name and identity may be revealed therein or by descriptive text or commentary.
5. I do hereby release to the Blossomtime Festival, Inc., its agents, and employees all rights to exhibit this work in print and electronic form publicly or privately and to market and sell copies. I waive any rights, claims, or interest I may have to control the use of my identity or likeness in whatever media used.
6. I understand that there will be no financial or other remuneration for recording me, either for initial or subsequent transmission or playback.
7. I also understand that neither the Blossomtime Festival, Inc. are responsible for any expense or liability incurred as a result of my participation in this recording, including medical expenses due to any sickness or injury incurred as a result.
8. I represent that I am at least 18 years of age or am the legal guardian of _____, and have read and understand the foregoing statement, and am competent to execute this agreement.

Signature of Contestant

Date

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

Date

**MISS TEEN CONTESTANTS
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT**

Contestant Name: _____		Date of Birth _____	
Address _____			
Street	City	State	Zip
Contestant Email: _____		Cell # _____	
Mother's/Guardian's Name: _____			
Email: _____			
Address _____			
Street	City	State	Zip
Cell # _____	Work # _____	Home # _____	
Father's/Guardian's Name: _____			
Email: _____			
Address _____			
Street	City	State	Zip
Cell # _____	Work # _____	Home # _____	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CONTESTANT:

Do You Faint Easily? Yes _____ No _____ Do You Get Carsick? Yes _____ No _____

Are You Currently under a Physician's Care? Yes _____ No _____ If Yes, List Reason _____

Do You Take Medication Daily? Yes _____ No _____ If Yes, List Medication(s) _____

Are You Allergic To Any Food Or Have Any Special Dietary Needs (Vegan, Etc.)? Yes _____ No _____

Are You Allergic To Any Medications? Yes _____ No _____ If Yes Please List Them _____

Past History of Any Major Illness or Surgery _____

Name of Health Insurance _____ Group # _____

Name of Physician _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Street City State Zip

Name of Dentist _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Street City State Zip

CONSENT FOR MEDICAL/DENTAL/SURGICAL TREATMENT

Name of Patient _____, minor. Permission is hereby given to this hospital, its physicians and its nursing staff to administer any treatment, diagnostic, therapeutic, or to administer such surgical procedures as may be deemed necessary or advisable in the diagnosis and treatment as condition warrants, and to release information as may be necessary for hospital claims.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian _____ Signature of Witness _____

Relationship to Patient _____ Date _____

FORM MUST BE TURNED IN WITH YOUR ENTRY FORM

2024 Blossomtime Bud Prince/Princess, Miss Jr. Teen/Teen Good Luck Ads

Contestant's Name _____

Contestant's Phone or Email _____

AD Rates: 2x2 square \$15.00

Business Card size ad \$25.00

¼ Page \$35.00

½ Page \$50.00

Full Page \$75.00

****Reminder** ~ Please print legibly!!**

*Blossomtime will not be held responsible for any misspelling of ads that are not submitted in a typed format. **No refunds** for ads that are handwritten. **Photo ads must be saved as a JPEG or PDF file on a USB.**

Ad Size	Content of AD	\$ Total



Blossomtime Festival

2024 Miss Teen Contestant Bio

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION
Please keep within one page

Contestant's Name: _____

Name you preferred to be called: _____ Age: _____

Name of School you attend: _____ Grade: _____

Plans after High School: _____

Honors & Awards: _____

Extracurricular Activities & Hobbies: _____

Favorite Book: _____

Favorite Memory & Why: _____
