

2026 Clark County Junior Fair Queen Contest

Application Due - May 1, 2026 to the Clark County Fair Office
Candidate Meeting - May 3, 2026, 5:00 at Clark County Fair Office
Interviews - Sunday, July 19, 2026
Contest - Friday, July 24, 2026 1:00 PM Entertainment Tent

Eligibility:

1. This contest will involve ACTIVE members of the Clark County Junior Fair (4-H, FFA).
2. Must be 16-19 years of age (as of January 1st of the current year).
3. Must complete all Application Requirements.
4. Follow the Clark County Fair Queen Rules & Responsibilities. Candidates and parents must sign the contract.

Application Requirements:

1. Application – Must type and clearly complete all areas.
2. A Letter of Recommendation must be submitted with the Application from a current Advisor/Teacher/Club Adult Leader (if advisor/leader is related to the candidate, another adult should be chosen for the recommendation).
3. Rules Contract (attached) must be signed by **BOTH** the candidate and their parents/guardian acknowledging their understanding and agreed participation in all rules, regulations, and responsibilities set forth by both the Clark County Fair Board and Ohio Fair Managers Association (see ohiofairs.org for the rules).
4. 5x7 PHOTO must be submitted with the application. This photo should be an appropriate "headshot" for use at the Clark County Fair, and will not be returned.
5. All Application materials must be submitted no later than May 1, 2026. **NO LATE APPLICATION MATERIALS** will be accepted.

Judging:

1. Candidates will be given their exact interview time at the information meeting on **May 3, 2026**.
2. The panel of judges will review each fully completed candidate application, will interview each eligible candidate individually, and will judge the candidate during the contest.
3. Scoring System:
 - Interview & Application 50%
 - Community Activities 10 %
 - Contest 40%

2026 Clark County Fair Queen Rules & Regulations

1. **Age eligibility – Candidates must be at least 16 years old and no older than 19 as of January 1, 2026. This age rule is to comply with the OFMA Ohio Fairs' Queen Contest.** The runner-up may compete at the Ohio Fairs' Queen Contest should the Clark County Fair Queen be unable, for any reason, to participate. Therefore, the runner-up must meet age eligibility and all other provisions as herein stated.
 - a. Age Clarification: Candidates may turn 20 after January 1, 2027. Therefore, some candidates may have reached their 20th birthday prior to the contest.
2. All Contestants as well as contestants chosen as Fair Queen, 1st Runner-up and 2nd Runner-up must comply with all provisions and rules as stated in this document.
Any violation of the rules will result in automatic elimination/ disqualification from the competition and/or the relinquishing of any title. All awards/scholarships received will be returned to the Clark County Fair Board upon request.
3. Each contestant must be a member of a Clark County Junior Fair Organization (4-H FFA) and sign the Junior Fair Code of Conduct. Candidates must adhere to the Junior Fair Code of Conduct and any violation of the rules will result in automatic elimination/disqualification from the competition and/or the relinquishing of any title and awards.
4. Each contestant may not be married, not have been married, not have borne a child, and not be pregnant when she competes in the contest or during her time of reign.
5. Each contestant must be a resident of Clark County and/or attend a Clark County School. Each contestant must be a citizen of the United States of America.
6. Must be in high school or graduated or have successfully completed the G.E.D. testing program for high school equivalency or be in the process of obtaining such a degree or certificate.
7. Each contestant must never have held the title of Clark County Fair Queen.
8. Each contestant may not incur any offense including, but not limited to, any alcohol offense, unruly behavior, or disorderly conduct.
9. The winner must be able to fulfill the Queen's duties which include but are not limited to: acting as an ambassador to the fair, participating in Fair activities, competing in the 2027 Ohio Fairs' Queen Contest, and participating in various community events.
10. The Queen is encouraged to participate in the 2027 Ohio Fair's Queen Contest to be held in early January 2027, to represent Clark County. The Queen must follow the rules and regulations for Ohio Fair's Queen as set forth by the Ohio Fair Managers Association including but not limited to the following:
 - a. Gender. I am and I have always been a female.
 - b. Marital Status. I am not now and I have never been married.
 - c. Parental Status. I am not now pregnant, and I have never been pregnant. I am not the adoptive parent of any child.
 - d. I am of good moral character and I have not been involved at any time in any act of moral turpitude.

- e. Criminal Record. Other than minor or petty offenses, I have never been convicted of any criminal offense and there are no criminal charges presently pending against me.
- f. I have never performed any act or engaged in any activity or employment that is or could reasonably be characterized as dishonest, immoral, or indecent.
- g. I do not use or consume any illegal controlled dangerous substances or abuse the use of alcohol or other dangerous substances.
- h. A full list of rules can be located at www.ohiofairs.org

11. Additional requirements including, but not limited to: Community Activities opportunities, will be detailed at the candidate meeting held **Sunday, May 3, 2026 (5:00 pm, subject to change to fit candidates' schedules)**. Failure to comply with any requirement will result in the candidate forfeiting the opportunity to receive the title of 2025 Clark County Fair Queen, 1st Runner-up, or 2nd Runner-up, and therefore a scholarship, but may still participate in the contest. Candidates who are unable to attend the informational meeting must contact the Committee Chairman in advance, and are responsible to familiarize themselves with all regulations.

- a. Candidates must be able to attend judging interviews on Sunday, July 13, 2025 and participate in the Queen Contest at the Clark County Fair on Friday, July 18, 2025.
- b. Candidates must participate in two (2) community activities as detailed at the informational meeting. If a candidate is unable to make any of the given dates, candidates may complete other community activities as long as they are **pre-approved** by the Queen Committee and completed during the months of June and July.

**Scholarship money will be awarded for further education to the following winners:
(*Note* - Scholarship money will be rewarded upon proof of college enrollment)**

Queen	\$500.00	Sponsored by Littleton and Rue Funeral Home, Jim Twiggs-AllState Insurance, Ruthie's Farmhouse Boutique
1 st Runner-Up	\$300.00	
2 nd Runner-Up	\$200.00	
Named Ohio Fairs Queen (an additional)	\$500.00	Sponsored by the Clark County Fair Board
Named to Ohio Fairs Queen's Court (an additional)	\$250.00	

Donors: Goodfellow Homestead Farms, Garrett Jewelers, Flower Craft Florists, Berner's Screen Print, Dawn Dyer Cox, R & C Embroidery

2026 Clark County Queen Contract

I, _____ (name of candidate) have thoroughly READ the above rules, regulations, and responsibilities of the Clark County Fair Queen Contest and AGREE to follow these rules, regulations, and responsibilities as stated. In addition, I understand and agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth by The Ohio Fair Managers Association, who is directly responsible for The Ohio Fair's Queen Contest. In order to participate in their event, I must abide by their rules and regulations. I also give The Clark County Fair Board permission to use photos taken during the crowning, fair, and other royalty appearances for use for advertising or publicity reasons. I understand and agree that the Clark County Junior and Senior Fair Boards are not responsible or liable for any injury or harm to me while on fair grounds or other fair royalty events, parades, etc.

Signature of candidate: _____
Date _____
Cell Phone # _____

I, _____ (name of parent/legal guardian) have thoroughly read the above rules, regulations, and responsibilities of the Clark County Fair Queen Contest and agree with these rules, regulations, and responsibilities as stated. In addition, I understand and agree to the rules and regulations set forth by The Ohio Fair Managers Association, who is directly responsible for The Ohio Fair's Queen Contest. I also give The Clark County Fair Board permission to use photos taken of my child during the crowning, fair, and other royalty appearances for use for advertising or publicity reasons. I understand and agree that the Clark County Junior and Senior Fair Boards are not responsible or liable for any injury or harm to my child while on fair grounds or other fair royalty events, parades, etc.

Signature of candidate's parent/legal guardian: _____
Date _____
Cell Phone # _____