Miss Missouri

2015 Miss Crowder Rules & Regulations

Contestant Eligibility

- 1. Be between the ages of 17-24 years of age. Must be a High School senior or graduate and no older than twenty-four (24) years of age on December 31, 2015.
- 2. Must reside in; be enrolled and attending classes on a full-time basis at an accredited college or university in; or be employed on a full-time basis for six months in the state in which the young woman plans to compete.
- 3. Must be a citizen of the United States of America at the time she enters her first pageant.
- 4. Additional Requirements:
 - \checkmark Must have never been married.
 - ✓ Must have never been pregnant.
 - ✓ Must not be the adoptive parent of any child.
 - ✓ Must never have been convicted of any criminal offense.
 - ✓ Must not have criminal charges presently pending.
 - ✓ Must be in good health and can participate fully and without limitations in any Program activities.
 - ✓ Must not use or consume any illegal controlled substances or abuse the use of alcohol or other dangerous substances.
 - ✓ See contestant contract for additional requirements.

A relative or a Local Pageant director or any local pageant volunteer is not eligible to enter the local pageant for which her relative serves as a director or volunteer. However, she is eligible to compete in another local competition in the same state. (State Board makes final determination.)

Contestant Paperwork required by the Miss Missouri Organization for participation in a local pageant is available on the Miss Missouri website under Contestant Paperwork, local. There is also a section for state for the winners.

Children's Miracle Network

- 1. Each contestant competing in a local preliminary must fundraise \$100 for Children's Miracle Network.
- 2. Each contestant must be registered on the CMN web site (<u>www.missamerica4kids.org</u>) and be registered for the local preliminary in which they intend to compete.
- 3. Contestants must have a minimum of \$100 in their account in order to compete. Once a contestant has contributed \$400.00 to CMN she can compete in as many locals as she wishes.

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INTERVIEW:

- 1. The interview at the local level is a 10 minute format which includes:
- 2. A podium will be used.
- 3. Interview begins immediately...there is **not** an opening statement.
- 4. Interview continues until the 9:30 mark.
- 5. 30 seconds to close this phase of competition.
- 6. If discussion ends before the 30 seconds are up, then the interview ends.
- 7. Interview is worth 25% of the contestant's score

TALENT:

- 1. Talent must be no longer than 90 seconds. The time limit will be strictly enforced. If a contestant runs over her allotted time of 90 seconds, the judges should be informed immediately and instructed to adjust their scores.
- 2. No props should be permitted unless they are absolutely functional.
- 3. No props involving safety hazards, such as fire batons, sword and/or knife twirling, bow and arrow skills.
- 4. Talent is worth 35% of the contestant's score.

SWIMSUIT:

- 1. At the local level swimsuits must be off the rack, may be one or two piece, solid or tasteful print and appropriate for a family audience. No thongs or string bikinis are allowed. At Miss Missouri, a swimsuit from a sponsoring manufacturer may be required.
- 2. Swimsuits should be well lined and additional padding should not be seen. Padding, if necessary, should be done in a tasteful manner.
- 3. The use of hosiery or oils on any part of a contestant is not permitted in the swimsuit competition.
- 4. Footwear should be a flesh colored sandal. Heels of 3" or less are recommended. No acrylic shoes are allowed.
- 5. Swimsuit is worth 15% of the contestant's score.

EVENING WEAR:

- 1. The Evening Wear segment is designed to give the young woman the opportunity to dress for a formal occasion. Contestants are encouraged to wear attire that reflects her personal statement of style, and may wear a pantsuit, cocktail dress or gown.
- 2. Evening Wear is worth 20% of the contestant's score.

ON-STAGE QUESTIONS:

- 1. Each contestant must be asked one or two questions on-stage.
- 2. On-Stage Question is worth 5% of the contestant's score.

If you win Miss Crowder, you will be expected to

- 1. Be a role model to others.
- 2. Always honor the crown in your behaviors.
- 3. Attend the Mandatory Orientation for Miss Missouri 2015 contestants is: April 11, 2015.
- 4. Compete in the Miss Missouri Pageant which will be held June 10-13, 2015 (dorm check in on June 7).
- 5. Raise an additional \$250 in donations to the Children's Miracle Network.
- 6. Complete and submit all state paperwork on time.
- 7. Be available for appearances, events, and other activities associated with the title of Miss Crowder.
- 8. Prepare yourself for the Miss Missouri competition under the direction of the Miss Crowder Pageant Board.
- 9. Purchase additional items and services as needed for the Miss Missouri completion including but not limited to wardrobe, photographs and autograph cards, personal trainers or coaches, etc.
- 10. Follow the regulations set by the Miss Crowder pageant board.