

2013 Strawberry Festival Beauty Pageant Rules

- 1. No bad sportsmanship or profanity is allowed by contestants or parents during any event associated with the pageant, i.e. meeting, practices, pageant, parades, etc. INSTANT DISQUALIFICATION CAN OCCUR!!!**
- 2. Contestant families should not approach or talk to the judges during pageant.**
- 3. Decisions of the judges are final.**
- All contestants must be single, have never been pregnant, have no children, and be between 12 months and 26 years of age by date of pageant. Any winner who gets pregnant during their year reign will be asked to relinquish their crown to the first runner up.
- There is a \$75 registration fee. Please mail registration form, photo for program book and fee to: Strawberry Festival Beauty Pageant, c/o Vanceboro Rescue Squad Auxiliary, PO Box 649, Vanceboro, NC 28586. **All checks/money orders should be made out to the Vanceboro Rescue Auxiliary Auxiliary.** There is a \$35 returned check fee.
- All contestants must appear in age appropriate attire, hair and make-up. One person is allowed to accompany and assist each contestant backstage. **Immodest attire will cause the contestant to be disqualified.**
"Queen", "Teen Miss", "Young Miss" and "Junior Miss" contestants are required to have 3 outfits: Formal Wear, Talent and Casual Wear. Evening gown, floor length bridesmaid dress or prom dress is to be worn for formal wear. Casual wear is off the rack, but not everyday wear.
"Little Miss" and "Tiny Miss", contestants are required to have 3 outfits: Formal wear, Talent and Casual wear. "Tiny Miss" and "Little Miss" contestants are to wear short bridesmaid, flower girl, or pageant dresses for formal wear. Casual wear is off the rack but not everyday wear.
"Wee Miss" and "Baby Miss" contestants are required to have 3 outfits: Formal wear, Sleepwear and Casual wear. "Baby Miss" and "Wee Miss" are to wear short bridesmaid, flower girl or pageant dresses for formal wear. Casual wear is off the rack but not everyday wear. Prop may be used in Sleepwear.
- "Tiny Miss", "Little Miss", "Junior Miss", "Young Miss", "Teen Miss" and "Queen" contestants must come to the pageant prepared with a 2 minute talent program. Contestants are given 1 minute to get on stage and start their talent program. Music and/or instruments must be provided by the contestant. Please bring 2 copies of music with you with contestant's name and category written on them. **All music must be age appropriate and contain no profanity.**
- All contestants are encouraged to sell one page of ads or sponsorships for the pageant program booklet. A trophy will be awarded to the contestant that raises the highest amount of advertisement money. A contestant can be sponsored by family, friends, businesses, churches, etc. All ads and sponsorships will be listed in the program. **All ad and sponsorship money must be turned in by April 19, 2013.** Mail forms and money to Vanceboro Rescue Squad Auxiliary at P. O. Box 649, Vanceboro, NC 28586.
- One contestant in each category will be chosen as winner. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd runner ups will also be chosen in each category. The winner of each category will receive a crown and sash. The runner ups will receive a trophy.
- Winners of the Strawberry Festival titles will be expected to carry out the following duties:
 - Ride in the Strawberry Festival Parade and be introduced and/or perform on stage at the Festival.
 - Participate in community events and Auxiliary fundraisers throughout the year
 - Represent The Strawberry Festival at other parades throughout the year. (i.e. Christmas parades).
 - Participate in 2014 Strawberry Festival Pageant to help crown her successor.
- The winners of the Strawberry Festival "Baby Miss", "Wee Miss", "Tiny Miss", "Little Miss", "Junior Miss", "Young Miss", "Teen Miss", and "Queen" titles are not eligible to compete for the same title during the following year's pageant. However, they can compete if they move into a new age category. A contestant is eligible to move into the next category if she meets the age requirement by date of pageant. Also, a contestant may be moved up into next age group at pageant director's discretion.
- This pageant is a fundraiser for the Vanceboro Rescue Squad** and money received will benefit them in their efforts to put a new ambulance bay at the Epworth station.