

# Caroline/Dorchester County Fair Royal Pageant

*Little Princess \* Princess \* Queen*

Wednesday, August 5th at 6:00pm

## GUIDELINES & RULES

1. ***Entries are due by July 22, 2026.***
2. ***E-mail entry form, publicity release and digital photos to the following address:***  
[4h.fairboard@gmail.com](mailto:4h.fairboard@gmail.com) by the July 22nd deadline.
3. Contestants must be residents of Caroline or Dorchester County, or an enrolled member of Caroline or Dorchester County 4-H or FFA.
4. Princess and Queen contestants will be required to perform a talent as part of the competition. Talents are not limited to traditional singing or dancing and can reflect any special skill, hobby, or passion. Little Princess contestants will not perform a talent.
5. Contestants performing a talent are responsible for providing any props or materials needed for their performance. A CD player and microphone will be available; however, all other items must be supplied by the contestant. ***Talent performances should be limited to a maximum of three minutes.***
6. All Queen contestants will be required to complete a written essay prior to the pageant. The essay will be completed in a supervised group setting on Friday, July 25<sup>th</sup> to ensure fairness and equal opportunity for all participants. The time and location details will be provided to contestants after their application has been received.
7. **Appropriate Dress:** Little Princess & Princess contestants should wear their Sunday best. Queen contestants should wear a gown.
8. All contestants will be asked questions on stage regarding their hobbies, future plans, and community (4-H/FFA, Scouts, church, etc.) involvement. Questions may also cover a variety of other topics to allow contestants the opportunity to showcase their personality, confidence, and communication skills.
9. Contestants must be available for a group photo either before or immediately after the pageant. Winners will also be required to remain on stage after the competition for individual and group photographs.

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## **Royal Pageant Winners List of Expectations: (but not limited to)**

**Activities during the Fair (would need to help at these activities): \* Mandatory (need to be present)**

Thursday: Children's Day – 9 am-1 pm\*  
Goat Show - 10 am  
Swine Show - 6 pm

Friday: Beef Show - 10 am  
Dress A Goat Contest – 6 pm  
Greased Pig Contest – 7 pm

Saturday: Horse Show - 9 am  
Rabbit Show & Poultry Show - 10 am  
Baby Contest - 11 am  
Fashion Revue - 3 pm  
Livestock Auction - 6 pm\*

## **Parades & Events:**

- Participate in at least 1 (one) parade in Caroline and Dorchester County  
(Will provide a list of parades and known contact info)
- Participate at Fair Board's Spring Bingo & Beef Dinner Fundraiser  
(Can assist with egg game, in kitchen, serve dinner, etc.)
- Attend 4-H Banquet/Award Nights in both counties  
(Possibly have time to talk about duties, and encourage others to participate)
- Return to Fair the following year to assist during pageant crowning new winners

## **Attire Guidelines:**

- Wear sash and crown at all times while attending these events representing the Caroline/Dorchester County Fair
- Please wear close-toed shoes around the animals
- Saturday Livestock Auction – dress to impress
- Other times/events – appropriate summer attire (should pass school dress code)

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## Royal Pageant Entry Form



Queen (16-21)



Princess (11-15)



Little Princess (6-10)

*Please check appropriate box above.*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**County:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Names:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current School Attended:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Current Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School Activities:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Community Involvement:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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**Future goals/Occupation:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Hobbies:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**For the talent part of the contest, I will:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Contestants performing a talent are responsible for providing any props or materials needed for the completion of their talent. A CD player and microphone will be available, but all other items must be supplied by the contestant.

Please remember that winners are expected to participate throughout the entire Fair. Winners will help pass out ribbons at the various livestock shows, and various contests and events. Winners also need to be available Saturday night at 6:00 pm for the Livestock Auction for photos, etc. Please plan accordingly. Winners are expected to participate in the Royal Pageant the following year for the crowning of the new winners. Sashes will be provided to the winners. The newly crowned Queen will receive a \$250 scholarship toward educational expenses. The scholarship will be provided at a later date.

Should the contestant decide not to participate in the pageant after submitting her application, it is requested she contact the Caroline County Extension Office at 410-479-4030 as soon as possible.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Contestant Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent/Guardian Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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Publicity Release & Acceptance Agreement**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, as a contestant of the Caroline/Dorchester County Fair Royal Pageant, understand and accept all rules regarding this event. This includes attending all phases of the fair pageant and fair events and selected events throughout the coming year.

If I am chosen as a member of the Royal Pageant Court, I agree to attend selected fair functions designated by the Royal Pageant committee. I am aware of the publicity following the title of Caroline/Dorchester County Fair Queen, Princess or Little Princess and agree and accept pre-arranged photographer appointments.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Contestant Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent/Guardian Signature  
(if contestant is under 18 years old)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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