



Little Mr. and Miss Pageant Application

Pageant will be held on Sunday, September 27, 2026 at 2:00pm at the Jackson County Services Building

Entry Deadline: 5:00pm on Friday, September 11, 2026

All entries must be RECEIVED by the deadline (not postmarked) – Late entries will only be allowed with approval from pageant chairman/committee and must accompany a \$20.00 late fee. Under NO circumstance will applications be accepted after Wednesday, September 16, 2026.

Entry is limited to 1st Graders ONLY and child MUST reside in Jackson County!
If you would like to preview the entire list of rules see www.jcyf.org for more information

To enter, complete this form, attach headshot and mail with \$20.00 non-refundable fee to:

JCYF – Pageants
P.O. Box 457 Edna, TX 77957

Application can also be dropped off at Davis Jewelry – 112 W Main, Edna by 5:00pm M-F
For questions call/text Sarah Bradley – (361) 235-9078

Contestant Name: _____ Boy or Girl (circle one)

Age: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Address: _____

Son/Daughter of: _____

Best person to contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

Favorite School Activities: _____

Hobbies/Interests: _____

(You may attach extra sheet for activities and interests but please limit paragraph to 100 words.)

Dear Little Miss or Mister Contestant:

On behalf of the Jackson County Youth Fair and the pageant committee, we would like to thank you for entering the pageant.

The following is a schedule of events regarding the pageant:

1. Applications- must be received by September 11, 2026 by 5:00pm. Any application received after that date will be charged the late fee (if accepted) and no new applicants will be allowed entry after Wednesday, September 16, 2026. Rules can be found at www.jcyf.org if you would like to look at them before sending in application.
2. What is submitted as the child's favorite school activities and hobbies is what will be read during the pageant as your child walks down the aisle. You may attach an extra sheet if needed but please limit the paragraph to 100 words.
3. Photo – Contestants should either submit a photo with application (which will be returned) or email photo to jcyfpageants@yahoo.com with contestant name and pageant as title. Example = Sally Smith Little Miss Pageant. Please wait for email back that confirms receipt of your photo. Contestant photo should be from the waist up, clear shot of your child's face. Attire does not matter. This will be submitted to the newspaper and must be received by September 16, 2026 to guarantee meeting the Edna Herald deadline.
4. Practice – Will be held on Sunday, September 20, 2026 at 2:00pm at the Jackson County Services Building. We will be giving out contestant numbers, the kids will be practicing walking on and off stage as well as using the microphone, and parents will also be required to sign confirmation that he/she has received, read and agrees to pageant rules. Since there is only one meeting/practice, it is mandatory that you and your child do not miss it. Before leaving, contestants will also receive the on-stage interview questions.
5. Pageant – Sunday, September 27, 2026 at 2:00pm at the Jackson County Services Building. Please meet at the JCSB by 1:30pm to get contestant numbers pinned on and to get in line.
6. After the pageant, the new Little Miss and Mister and all of the runners-up will need to stay for pictures as well as get information regarding duties at the fair, etc.
7. The Jackson County Youth Fair parade will be held on October 3, 2026. If your child is chosen as the Little Mr. or Little Miss, more details will be given out after the pageant.

If you have any questions about any of the above information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Sarah Bradley
Director of Little Mr. and Miss Pageant
(361) 235-9078 cell

Jackson County Fair Little Mr. & Little Miss Rules

1. The pageant is limited to children in 1st grade for the school year of 2026-2027 and the contestant must reside in Jackson County.
2. No contestant who is currently a title holder is allowed to participate in the pageant unless the title held does not require any duties that would interfere with what is asked of the Jackson County Youth Fair Court. The Jackson County Fair Board wants for the Little Mr. and Miss to be available when needed without having other obligations that would inhibit them from being able to help. In order to participate in the Little Mr. or Miss Jackson County Youth Fair Pageant, a letter from the director of the pageant where the current title is held needs to be written, signed and submitted to the JCYF Pageant director to have on file before September 27, 2026 stating that there are no responsibilities that are required of their current title and permission granting entrance into the JCYF Pageant.
3. All contestants and parent/guardian must attend all meetings and practices. If a conflict arises, please call Sarah Bradley to let her know that your child will be late or will not be able to make it. Failure to attend meetings/practice could result in dismissal from the competition. The JCYF Board as well as the pageant director understand that there are conflicts during the fall, but also feel as though attending the meeting and practice is essential to all of the young contestants. There will be no makeup meetings/practices.
4. Contestants will wear western attire during the pageant. A contestant chosen as Little Mr. or Little Miss, will be required to wear western wear throughout fair week, and at any other public appearances.
5. Contestants are expected to arrive at the pavilion by 1:30pm and will only be let in with one parent. Be sure your child has been to the restroom prior to being seated. Last minute hair combing, tucking in shirts, etc. must be done prior to 1:45pm and after that, parents are not allowed anywhere near the contestants. Violation of this rule will result in immediate disqualification.
6. Judging will be conducted by a panel of out of county judges. Their decisions are final. A Little Miss Fair Queen, 1st Runner Up, 2nd Runner Up, Little Mister, 1st Runner Up and 2nd Runner Up will be chosen.
7. In the event of a tie, JCYF official procedures will be used which are the same as rules set for animal judging/placing at the fair.

8. Contestants are not allowed to give any gifts to the judges such as roses, candy, etc., or touch the judges as they walk by. Violation will result in disqualification.
9. Contestants will be judged on a scale of 1-10 with 10 being the highest and a 30 as the highest score attainable. They will be judged in the categories of appearance, personality and stage presence.
10. All contestants will be asked three on stage questions which will be given out at the pageant practice. The list will include 10 questions but contestants will only answer 3 on stage.
11. Once contestants have completed their on-stage interview, they will be handed a participation trophy as they exit the stage and will be seated in the audience with their parents.
12. Please do not leave until all winners are announced. Both the Little Mr. and Little Miss and the runners up will need to stay for photographs after the pageant.
13. The responsibilities of the Little Mr. and Miss will include being present at each animal judging to present awards and any other duties designated by the Jackson County Youth Fair Board of Directors or the Pageant Committee.
14. During the fair events that the Little Mr. and Miss will be required to be at, parents/guardians must also be present. A parent may not leave a child in the responsibility of the Fair Queen, Jr. Miss Fair Queen, Pageant Committee member or Fair Board member unless prior approval has been granted.
15. If for any reason the Little Mr. or Miss cannot fulfill their duties, the 1st Runner-ups will be promoted.
16. The parent agrees that if their child is selected as the Little Mr. or Miss, they will serve until their successor has been selected and remains bound by these rules for the term of their reign. No member of the court may enter in any other pageant unless approved by the Pageant Committee.
17. Parents will sign off on these rules during pageant practice, and pageant director must have on hand before being allowed to participate.