

Rules and Regulations for Miss Tops N Texas

Qualifications:

Each contestant must be a student/graduate, having never been married and never had children. Contestants wanting to compete who are currently holding titles or obligations must provide current contact number for that organization, and /or written statement confirming her current obligations with that organization will not interfere with those of the Jacksonville Rodeo.

Age Groups:

Each contestant must be a legal resident of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, or Arkansas and is required to show proof of residency.

Princess 8-12 years

Teen 13-18 years

Miss 19-24 years

Awards: Other awards to be announced

later. Title Holder: Queen

Teen

Princess

1st Runner-Up

Queen

Teen

Princess

Additional Awards:

Photogenic, Congeniality

Contest/Rodeo Dates/Times: Official final schedule will be sent once application is received. Rodeo: Thurs-Sat May 13, 14, & 16 2021 7pm

Contest Check-in: Friday May 14 starts at 4pm

Contest judging includes grand entry 6:45pm each night, during rodeo performance - sell raffle tickets & meet/greet rodeo fans, helping with rodeo events, speech/word association, modeling, interview, horsemanship, special needs rodeo

Special Needs Rodeo - Sat 8am

Entry Fees:

1. Must have a \$50.00 entry fee, application, parent release, typed BIO no more than a 30 seconds and a 1-5X7 color picture (used for promotions and photogenic) postmarked by May 7, 2021. Late entries will be accepted as long as they are accompanied with an additional \$25 Late Fee on top of the entry fee at check in time.
2. Each girl is required to sell at least 100 raffle tickets. 10 extra points will be given to those girls that sell the required raffle tickets. All monies/tickets from the initial ticket sells must be turned in at check-in time. Girls will be asked to pick up more tickets to sell during rodeo. Those individuals that do not sell the required raffle tickets will still be able to compete in the contest however; they will not receive the 10 extra points.
3. Each girl is required to sell at least one \$50 sponsorship & turned with entry or no later than check-in. The sponsor will be announced when contestant is introduced.
4. Western dress/suit attire (hat and boots, etc) is required and expected to be worn at all times during the contest. In horsemanship each contestant is required to wear blue denim jeans and a white western blouse. NO CHAPS ARE ALLOWED!!! One dress/suit needed during speech/modeling and/or interview.
5. AQHA rules will apply, to understand these rules better please refer to the reining section of the current edition of the AQHA rules and regulations book. It is your responsibility to know and understand these rules. NO stud horses will be allowed, no exceptions.
6. Each contestant must ride the same horse throughout the entire competition. If contestants are found to be in violation of this rule, they will be disqualified and any prizes that would have been won will be forfeited. If a change of horses is needed for reasons beyond the contestant's control, they must first clear the swap with the queen director/coordinator.
7. The reigning Jacksonville Rodeo title holders cannot compete in the contest until the year following in which their title is relinquished. Exception: reigning royalty can compete the year of their reign if asked by the committee when only one contestant is signed up in their age group or moving up in an age group.

8. All current Jacksonville Rodeo title winners are expected to return the following year to relinquish their titles Saturday night during the rodeo, other appearances when asked as Miss Jacksonville Rodeo Royalty, participate in the rodeo week events wearing their crown, sash, saddle..etc. If not able to return the next year, then the title and awards will be forfeited. The current title holders are required to make 2 rodeos during their reign to promote the Miss Jacksonville Rodeo contest. Pictures are to be supply within a 1 week of these appearances so they can be used for promotions. Each winner is to bring a contestant for the following year and sell a minimum of 100 raffle tickets for the next year contest of their reign.
9. All judge's decisions are final!
10. Age is as of the day of check-in.

Competition Guidelines

Modeling:

Every girl will model her western attire. Western dress/suit attire (hat and boots, etc). It will be a basic "T" formation. Once the modeling pattern is completed, contestants will hesitate 15 seconds then begin their speech. The modeling and speech are open to the public. The outfit that the contestant wears during the interview will be the same outfit that the individual wears for the interview.

Word Association:

The princess age group will be presented with three words one at a time. They will respond with one word that best matches each word. Example: Cowboy: Horse.

Speeches:

Each girl in the Miss age group will give a two minute speech over her state/rodeo/and/or Jacksonville. Each girl in the Teen age group will give a two minute speech over our state or rodeo. There will be a twenty second grace period either way. Time will be called at two minutes and again at 2:20. Speeches that go beyond two minutes and twenty seconds will have points deducted at the judges' discretion.

Interviews:

No one is allowed in the interview room except for the judges and the contestant. They will be asked questions pertaining to horsemanship, rodeo,

equine health, personality, and current events. The judges will determine the questions.

Horsemanship:

Each girl is also required to perform a horsemanship pattern. At the end of the pattern the Miss & Teen contestants will walk to the judges table, dismount and stand in front of the judges for impromptu questions. Miss & Teen contestants will then remount, tip hat to judges and walk horse to alley. At the alley, if available, will pick up a flag and complete a flag run around the arena then back to alley. Next will complete a queen's run around the arena. Miss age group if horses are available will ride the pattern twice with the second time on a draw horse. At the end of the pattern, the princess age group will walk to the judges table for impromptu questions and remain on their horses. At the alley, if available, will pick up a flag and complete a flag run around the arena then back to alley. Next will complete a queen's run around the arena. Horsemanship could also include: parade, grand entry, flags ...etc. Patterns will be used and announced/or given once complete entry has been rec'd.

Photogenic:

The judges will decide on this by looking over the photos that are sent in by each contestant. Miss Photogenic of all girls doesn't count for points.

Congeniality:

The girls decide this part of the competition. They will vote on the girl that they think deserves this award. In case of a tie, they will keep voting until the tie is broken. Miss Congeniality of all girls doesn't count for points.

Judges:

Members of the Miss Rodeo Jacksonville Committee will select the judges from the community based on their expertise in the various categories.

Judge's will finalize all score sheets & tally placing's. All pageant ties will be decided by the judges. All judge's decisions are final.

Personality

All contestants will be judged on personality. What will be expected and looked for are:

1. Pleasant- includes the contestants' style of attire, overall appearance, magnetism and eye appeal.
2. Friendly
3. Relaxed
4. Poised
5. Sincere
6. Confident
7. Positive attitude
8. Able to converse clearly and articulately
9. Demonstrates a broad knowledge of our rodeo, races, horse shows, and fairs. These are the events the girls will be attending and they need to know the basic information about them.
10. Demonstrates an awareness of local, state, national and world current events.
11. Public appearances/kids rodeo/other events will be used as judged event.

Appearance

The purpose of this category is to select the contestant who rates highest in:

1. Attractiveness
2. Grooming
3. Attention to every detail including complexion (appropriate use of cosmetics), hands, fingernails, hair and clothing
4. Knowledge of proper western attire
5. Up-to-date and current rodeo queen style
6. Clean and fit well
7. Hat is shaped well
8. Western attire is to be worn at all times during the contest.
9. Attire should always be appropriate for the occasion.
10. Make-up should be age appropriate.

2021 Miss Tops N Texas Application

Princess: 8-12 years old ___ Teen: 13-18 years old ___ Miss: 19-24 years old ___
(Check one)

Name: _____

Mailing

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Horse's Name: _____

Email: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parents: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Hobbies/School Activities:

Awards/Recognitions:

Sponsor:

Please include typed BIO with entry of no more than a minute long.
A Negative Coggins for every horse will be required. Early entries must be post
marked by May 7, 2021 and late entries by check-in May 15th. Please mail one
5X7 photo, entry form, sponsorship, parent release, and your entry fees to:

Jacksonville Rodeo Queen's
Contest c/o Sheryal Berry
PO Box 1181
Jacksonville, Texas 75766
903-721-1690

RUN4BHORSES@aol.com (email)

Parent Release & Contestant Consent Form

I, _____ the parent of or contestant
_____, will not hold the
Jacksonville PRCA "Tops N Texas" Rodeo, Jacksonville "Tops
In Texas" Rodeo Queen's Contest, its people, City of
Jacksonville, Jacksonville Rodeo Association, Jacksonville
Riders Club, Jacksonville Lions Club, contractors, or sponsors
responsible for death or injury, to me or a member of my
family or animal. Furthermore, I will not hold the
Jacksonville PRCA "Tops N Texas" Rodeo, Jacksonville "Tops N
Texas" Rodeo Queen's Contest, its people, City of Jacksonville,
Jacksonville Rodeo Association, Jacksonville Riders Club,
Jacksonville Lions Club, contractors, or sponsors responsible for
lost or stolen property. Contestant by signing this, you are
agreeing that if you are a winner that you will fulfill the 2
required appearances at rodeos during your reign & send
pictures within a week to be used for advertising, Jacksonville
& Rusk Christmas parades, and other appearances that you are
asked to make by the contest coordinators or rodeo
committee.

Signature of Parent

Date

(If contestant is under 18 years of age)

Signature of Contestant

Date