## 2023 Miss Randolph County Fair Pageant—August 19, 2023 Rules and Regulations

Entrant must be a resident of West Virginia; a resident of Randolph County, Barbour County, Pendleton County, Pocahontas County, Tucker County, Upshur County, Grant County or Webster County, or must attend school in one of the aforementioned counties; and must be a United States Citizen.

Entrant must be 15 by January 1, 2023 and not have reached her 22nd birthday by January 1, 2024.

Entrant must be a naturally born female.

Entrant must be single, have never been married or had a marriage annulled, must not be pregnant, and have never borne a child.

Entrant must not be the current titleholder, nor have ever been, Miss West Virginia Association of Fairs and Festivals or Miss Randolph County Fair.

Entrant must certify that she is of good moral character and has not participated in any activities that would be embarrassing to her and/or the Randolph County Fair prior to the entry of this agreement, including being convicted of any major crime.

Entrant must be willing to participate in scheduled pageant activities and conduct herself in a proper manner at all times.

Entrant must attend scheduled pageant activities, including scheduled practices.

Entrant shall be aware that, until the conclusion of the pageant, she is representing the Randolph County Fair and should always be aware that she may be a role model for others. Accordingly, Entrant shall agree to be responsible with regard to any postings, photos and information posted on any social media networks. Entrant shall agree to not make statements or post statements containing inappropriate or profane language, and to not post pictures or videos of herself dressed inappropriately, drinking alcoholic beverages or making inappropriate gestures.

Entrant must give permission to use her photograph and/or likeness for publicity, news articles, or other pageant/fair purposes in print, social or online (website) media.

Entrant must agree to hold harmless the Randolph County Fair, Randolph County Recreation Board and the Randolph County Commission, and any of its members or representatives, in case of an accident. Entrant and/or her parents will be responsible for any medical expenses incurred by her as a contestant or title holder.

There will also be a Queen's Category of exhibits displayed during the fair, which exhibit must be submitted and set up by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the pageant. The exhibit can be anything made/grown/crafted/etc. by the Entrant within the twelve months preceding the pageant. Prizes will be awarded on the night of the pageant for Best Exhibits. Entry of an exhibit is a requirement for the pageant. Judging in this category may count for a very small percentage of points toward final scores. The Queen's Category exhibits will be auctioned throughout the week of the fair by silent auction.

Sponsorship/Entry fee for each entrant is \$125.00 and is non-refundable unless contestant should win a pageant before date of Miss Randolph County Fair Pageant or the pageant is cancelled for any reason by the Randolph County Fair Board. The Early Registration Deadline is **July 31, 2023**, and a \$25 discount to the entry fee will apply to entries on or before July 31, 2023. The fee, entry form and contract must be **postmarked by** July 31, 2023 to receive the discounted entry fee. Entries after the early registration deadline of July 31 may be accepted until such time as the pageant director specifies, but in any event until at least **August 6, 2023**; however, any entries received after July 31, 2023 will be at the regular entry fee of \$125.

#### If chosen as Queen, I additionally agree as follows:

The 2023 Miss Randolph County Fair will compete in January 2024 for the title of Miss West Virginia Association of Fairs & Festivals. The winner of this pageant will reign over the 2023 State Fair of West Virginia. The Randolph County Fair will pay the 2022 Miss Randolph County Fair Queen's entry fees and lodging for the 2023 Miss West Virginia Fairs and Festivals pageant. In addition to paying the Queen's entry fees, the Randolph County Fair will pay the registration fee for one (1) parent, guardian or custodian to attend the West Virginia Association of Fairs and Festivals Convention and Pageant.

# The 2023 Miss Randolph County Fair is expected to attend the 2023 Randolph County Fair (August 20-26) and all scheduled activities unless prior arrangements are made with the pageant director.

The 2023 Miss Randolph County Fair will also make arrangements to ride in and provide her own transportation for parades and other events outlined below, unless advance arrangements due to extenuating circumstances have been approved by the pageant director.

Other events/parades to attend include: The Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Feature Parade; Randolph/Elkins Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade; Mill Creek Mother's Day Parade; and Beverly Days Parade. The Pageant Director reserves the rights to request your appearance at other events.

While the above list includes parades your participation is requested in, you are free to participate in other parades of your choosing within the state. The title holder can find a listing of fairs and festivals that are members of the West Virginia Association of Fairs and Festivals, with information on their parades and dates, at <u>www.wvfairsandfestivals.org</u> or consult with the Pageant Director.

The 2023 Miss Randolph County Fair must agree that, while wearing her crown and/or sash, she will always conduct herself in a respectable manner that is fitting of the representative of the Randolph County Fair. The Queen shall not wear the crown and/or sash and/or represent the pageant/fair at any other events or activities, other than parades, unless she obtains permission from the pageant director prior to doing so.

The 2023 Miss Randolph County Fair must agree to remain single during the year of her reign and agree to not become pregnant. If either of these circumstances occur, the winner's title will be void and she will relinquish the crown. She must also agree not to engage in any activity that would be embarrassing to herself and/or the Randolph County Fair. This includes being responsible with regard to any postings, photos and information posted on any social media networks. Title Holder agrees that she will not make any statements containing inappropriate or profane language, and will not post pictures or videos of herself dressed inappropriately, drinking alcoholic beverages or making inappropriate gestures. Should she engage in any conduct embarrassing to herself and/or the Fair, including being arrested and charged with a crime, the Randolph County Fair Committee will have the right to declare her title void and request she relinquish the crown and/or scholarships/prizes.

The 2023 Miss Randolph County Fair may not compete in any pageant prior to January 2024 that upon winning would require her to relinquish the title of Miss Randolph County Fair 2023.

### CONTRACT

\_\_\_\_\_, hereby attest and certify that I am a United States l, \_\_\_\_ (print name) Citizen, a legal resident of West Virginia and a legal resident of Randolph, Barbour, Pendleton, Pocahontas, Tucker, Upshur, Grant or Webster Counties or enrolled in school in one of the aforesaid counties; that as of January 1, 2024, I will be between the ages of 16 and 21; that I am a naturally born female; that I have never been married, had a marriage annulled, or borne a child; that I am of good moral character and have never been convicted of any major crime; that I am not the current titleholder, nor have ever been, Miss West Virginia Association of Fairs and Festivals or Miss Randolph County Fair. I further attest that I have read the 2023 Miss Randolph County Fair Pageant Rules and Regulations and I do certify and agree as set forth therein, both as a contestant and as the title holder should I become the 2023 Miss Randolph County Fair.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_(Contestant)

(Date)

Signed: (Parent or Guardian if Contestant under 18)

(Date)

Please return this page (Contract) along with the fact sheet and \$125 entry fee (or \$100 if prior to July 31, 2023) made payable to Randolph County Fair) to: Chrissy Harper, P.O. Box 208, Beverly, WV 26253.

I am paying my own entry fee of \$125 (\$100 if before 7/31), or am providing my own sponsor, as listed below, and a cashier's check or money order for the \$125 fee is enclosed. (Checks from corporate sponsors should be made payable to the Randolph County Fair)

Sponsor(s):

### MISS RANDOLPH COUNTY FAIR FACT SHEET (Typewritten or neatly printed in black ink please)

Name of Contestant:	
Name you wish used on stage:	
Name of Parents/Guardian:	
Home Address:	
Phone:	E-mail Address:
Birth Date:	Age as of August 19:
School:	Year/Grade in School:
Major(College):	Year/Grade in School:
School and Community Activities	s:
Ambition:	
Hobbies:	
Special Interests, Activities, or H	onors:
Three (3) Favorite Foods:	

Three (3) Words to Best Describe Self: \_\_\_\_\_