

2020 McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair Queen Contest Rules

The purpose of the Fair and Pageant Competition program is to encourage the promotion of agricultural fairs and to create better relations between youth and adults in both rural and urban settings. The McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair Queen is expected to represent the festival and fair with pride and dignity, and to exhibit the highest of principles at all times.

EACH CONTESTANT MUST:

1. Be a female who is a U. S. citizen and a resident of Pennsylvania in one following counties: Snyder, Mifflin, Juniata, Northumberland, or Union.
2. Be at least 16 years of age and not over 20 years of age by **June 1, 2020**.
3. Be the certified representative from the local fair where she was crowned (for state competition).
4. Not have been a former local Fair Queen winner, nor a former State Fair Queen contestant.
5. Not hold any other title for any other commodity group or pageant.
6. Have her parent(s) or guardian(s) consent to compete in this contest and the State competition
7. Be single, have never been married, have not been pregnant nor given birth to a child.
8. And must not marry, nor get pregnant during her reign.
9. Be of good moral character (at the discretion of the Committee).
10. Be able to meet all time commitments, Queen obligations and dress code as set forth by the PA state Fair Queen Program.
11. Attend rehearsal
12. Enter at least 1 contest of your choice in the Exhibit Hall. (Shoobox Floats, Pumpkin Decorating, etc)

CANDIDATES WILL COMPETE IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

1. A typewritten essay entitled "What My Fair (McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair) Means to My Community" must be submitted, maximum 300 words.
2. A personal interview with a panel of three judges prior to stage competition. (business attire)
3. Poise & presentation (appearance & neatness) during the contestant introductions (business attire)
4. A 3-5 minute speech informing others "Why You Should Come To My Fair" that will be delivered to the judges and the public in attendance at the contest on **Sunday, September 13, 2020** (evening gown attire)

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MCCLURE BEAN SOUP FESTIVAL AND FAIR QUEEN:

1. Be on hand at all areas of the McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair to distribute ribbons, trophies, etc, as coordinated with the Pageant Committee. This responsibility begins on **Sunday, September 13, 2020**.
2. Represent the McClure Bean Soup Festival and Fair in parades and other functions throughout the area during her reign.
3. Represent the McClure Bean Soup Festival and Fair in the Pennsylvania State Fair Queen Pageant during the 2021 Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs in Hershey in January, 2021 at the expense of the McClure Bean Soup Fair Association. The winner of the state competition will be awarded a \$2500 scholarship.
4. Be on hand for McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair Crowning **September 2021**.

MOST PHOTOGENIC CONTEST

To be held during the pageant competitions on **September 13, 2020**. This competition will be held near the stage area. For Queen, Princess, Little Miss Bean and Teeny Bean contestants to participate, they need to provide an 8 x 10 photo of themselves. Please send this photo with your completed Entry Form. Voting will begin at the start of the Pageants (2:00 p.m.). Each contest will close at the end of each individual pageant. For example, the Princess Most Photogenic contest will end at the close of the Princess Pageant. The winner of the Most Photogenic Contests will then be awarded their sash or trophy at that time. How the contest works: The contestant whose photo receives the most votes (one cent equals one vote) will be the winner. All forms of US currency are acceptable. Contestants should pick up their photos at the end of all pageants. (McClure Festival & Fair Committees will not be responsible for any pictures not picked up at the end of the pageant.)

Rules:

1. Photos must be 8 x 10. Photocopies are acceptable. Vertical pictures are recommended.
2. Owner's name, address and phone number are to appear on the back of the photograph.
3. Photos will be on display for voting during the pageant competition.
4. Entry Photo should be submitted with your completed Entry Form (**August 1, 2020**)

All contestants will receive an individual gift. In addition, cash prizes will be awarded as follows:

*Queen \$500
1st Runner Up \$250*

One half of the cash awards will be presented at the end of the fair. The second half will be presented at the end of their reign if all responsibilities and obligations have been fulfilled throughout their reign.

**August 1, 2020 is the deadline for Complete Fair Queen Entries to be submitted to:
McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair Queen Contest C/O Kate Reed 229 Conner Road, McClure, PA 17841**

Complete Fair Queen Entry consists of:

1. Essay "What My Fair Means To My Community"
2. Completed Application
3. Paid Entry Fee (\$25 non-refundable)
4. Two different 4x6 photos for publicity (no copyrighted photos please)
5. One 8x10 photo for the Photogenic Contest
6. Basket for Pageant Basket Raffle (Bring to rehearsal)
7. Entry for Exhibit Hall contest (Bring entry to rehearsal)

If you have any questions, please phone **Kate Reed (570) 658-7266** or email **beansouppageant@gmail.com**

*The exact schedule for **Sunday, September 13th** will be determined by the number of contestants who enter.

*Contestants will report to the backstage area of the stage, where they can set up their areas to dress, do make-up and hair, etc.

*Contestants are asked to have one person with them in this area, and must provide their own mirror(s), etc.

* Electric outlets are plentiful in the dressing room, but contestants need to bring their own extension cords.

*Interviews, with contestants in business attire, are private with only the panel of three Judges.

*Exact times for the interviews will be announced.

*Contestants will receive notification concerning scheduling for both days.

The 2020 McClure Bean Soup Festival and Fair Queen will be named at the conclusion of this competition, and will assume her duties immediately.

2020 McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair Queen Contest Entry Form

Contestant # _____

This form will not be seen by the judges. It is only for the files of the McClure Bean Soup Festival and Fair, and will be used by the commentator when contestants are introduced at the competition and printed in the program. Please feel free to add pages as necessary.

Contestant's Name: _____ Age on 6/1/2020 _____ Date of Birth _____

Home Address: _____ (not published) Town: _____ Zip: _____

Home County: _____ Home Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ (not published)

Other Phone where you can be reached, if necessary: _____ - _____ - _____ (not published)

Email Address: _____ (not published)

Parents' Names: _____

High School: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

College (if applicable): _____

Major: _____ Circle One: Fr So Jr Sr

What have been your primary Scholastic achievements? _____

What Awards/Honors have you received? _____

What other Extra Curricular Activities have you been involved in? _____

What are your career goals? _____

What are your hobbies? _____

What employment experience do you have? _____

Is there any other information that you'd like to include? _____

My earliest memory of the McClure Bean Soup is: _____

My favorite part of the McClure Bean Soup is: _____

I'd like to be McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair Queen because: _____

My role model, or the person who has influenced me the most is: _____ because _____

Please return: ___ 1) this completed application; ___ 2) two different 4x6 photos (headshots) for publicity; ___ 3) entry fee (\$25); ___ 4) one 8x10 photo for photogenic contest and ___ 5) your typewritten essay

Make checks payable to: McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair.

Mail to: McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair Princess Contest, C/O Kate Reed, 229 Conner Rd., McClure, PA 17841.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION, PHOTOS & ESSAY TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS: August 1, 2020.

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The above named contestant has my permission to participate in the above named event at the McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair. The McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair and Pageant Committee are not responsible in the event of accident or injury. I have also completed the entry form for my daughter's participation in the McClure Bean Soup Festival & Fair competition, and have read the rules and regulations, and hereby agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth.

Signature (Parent or Guardian)

Signature of Participant

Date

T-Shirt Size _____

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“What My Fair Means To My Community”

By _____