



Michigan Apple Queen Committee ENTRY FORM

NAME _____ PHONE (____) _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

PARENT'S NAME _____

ADDRESS-PHONE (If not the same) _____

COUNTY _____ EMAIL _____

SPONSOR (include address) _____

CONNECTION WITH APPLE INDUSTRY _____

HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE _____

BIRTHDATE ____/____/____ AGE _____ HEIGHT _____

HEIGHT (with gown/heels on) _____

HOBBIES or INTERESTS _____

TALENTS _____

SIBLINGS (list with ages) _____

Please send two recent photographs. These should be professionally taken and can be wallet size or 4 x 6 inches. These photographs will not be returned. You must also send in a copy of your driver's license.

ENTRANT: Please sign after reading the following statement.

If chosen Michigan Apple Queen or her Court, I will fulfill my obligations as to making all appearances as requested. As a contestant, I will take part in all the activities of the State Contest until the designated checkout time. I have also read the eligibility and participant rules and agree to abide by them.

Signature: _____

PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S CONSENT (only if applicant is under 17 years old)

Signature: _____

Please answer questions on next page.

Michigan Apple Queen Eligibility and Participant's Rules

1. The Michigan Apple Queen Contest, which is held in Grand Rapids during the Great Lakes Expo and is open to any girl from the state of Michigan, as long as she has a definite connection with the Michigan apple industry. Any girl who has not previously been a Michigan Apple Queen may participate in the state pageant. The sponsor must pay the entry fee of \$100 made payable to "Michigan Apple Committee". The deadline for all entries is **October 31, 2019**.
2. The contestants must have a definite connection to the apple industry. Contestants must be the daughter, sister, niece or granddaughter of a Michigan apple producer. Questionable applicants will be reviewed by the Michigan Apple Committee. All connected families must be in good standing with the Michigan Apple Committee.
3. I understand that I must be of good character and reputation. The Michigan Apple Committee reserves the right to approve all entrants and to determine, without question, their eligibility to participate in Michigan Apple activities.
4. A contestant must be 17 years of age by December 31, and not over 23 years of age by December 31st the year of the contest.
5. A contestant must be single, never been married, have no immediate plans for marriage and must not be pregnant or have any children. The contestants cannot have been convicted of a felony or have any charges pending. The Michigan Apple Queen and her court must remain single during her year of reign or relinquish her state title.
6. The Michigan Apple Queen must be available for appearances during the year of her reign. Arrangements for appearances are made through the Michigan Apple Committee. The Queen must check her appearance availability with her Director before accepting any extra appearances. Attendance at all scheduled events is required.
7. If the Michigan Apple Queen relinquishes her title or is asked to relinquish her title, the First Runner-up will reign. Runner-up(s) will be expected to follow the same rules as the Michigan Apple Queen, if either are requested to fulfill the title. Relinquishment of title will be at the discretion of the Michigan Apple Committee and Michigan Apple Queen Committee.
 - a. The Queen must return her crown and banner to the Michigan Apple Committee when she relinquishes her title. If the Queen or Court is asked to relinquish their title they will also be required to pay back their scholarship.
 - b. The Queen and Court gifts are not to be returned. Duplicate gifts for replacement will not be given.
8. The Michigan Apple Queen and her court will agree not to run in another queen contest during her year of reign without the consent of the Michigan Apple Committee.

Michigan Apple Queen Eligibility and Participant's Rules - continued

9. Michigan Apple Queen Contestants will be judged on the following:
 - a. Beauty
Personality and Poise
Apple Knowledge
Essay
 - b. The judges will be instructed to select a queen, and court member(s) using the categories above as guidelines. They will submit their choices to the teller and a queen will be picked by using the above judging guidelines. All judge tally sheets and notes are considered confidential and will not be released under any circumstances.
10. I agree that if selected as Michigan Apple Queen or Court, I will participate in **ALL** designated Michigan Apple activities and abide by the rules and regulations set forth by the Michigan Apple Committee. Failure to abide by the rules and regulations set forth by the Michigan Apple Committee may result in the Queen or her Court paying back their scholarship.
11. If selected Michigan Apple Queen or a member of the Court I agree to not, from the date of selection, advertise, endorse, or in any way infer support of any commercial product or make personal appearances as a representative of the Michigan Apple Industry without the consent of the Michigan Apple Committee.
12. I understand that if there exists any misstatement or inaccuracy in this application the Michigan Apple Committee and the Michigan Apple Queen Committee may summarily and without notice to me terminate my participation in any and all Michigan Apple activities.

ENTRANT: Please sign and return this with your application after reading the following statement.

By their signatures below, the applicant and his/her parent(s) or guardian(s) certify: 1) they have read and understand the rules and regulations as set forth in this document; 2) the applicant meets the requirements and will comply with the regulations stated; 3) they understand that untrue statements, misrepresentations, or failure to comply may result in the applicant's disqualification and/or forfeiture of any Michigan Apple title; 4) we do hereby release unconditionally, and forever, any claim against the Michigan Apple Committee, its officers, directors, agents, employees and corporate sponsors, and agree to hold them harmless as to any claim arising out of any participation in the Michigan Apple Queen Pageant or its activities.

Signature: _____

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**Please retain a copy of the Michigan Apple Queen Eligibility and Participant's Rules for your records.*

Revised 2018

2020 Michigan Apple Queen Program Schedule

Amway Grand Plaza Hotel

As of 2015, the MAC Grower Luncheon has changed days during EXPO. All Michigan Apple Queen candidates will have their interviews with the judges the week before EXPO (dates and times will be provided soon). The crowning of the queen and court will still take place during the MAC Grower Luncheon on Tuesday, December 10, 2019.

Week before EXPO

- TBD Arrive at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel – Campau Room
- TBD Interview sessions begin with judges.
- TBD Interview sessions completed. Candidates are free to leave.

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

- 10:30 a.m. Arrive at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel – Ambassador Ballroom
 - 11:30 a.m. MAC Luncheon begins.
 - 1:15 p.m. Crowning ceremony.
 - 1:30 p.m. Luncheon and ceremony complete. Candidates are free to leave. Queen and court are asked to walk the show floor including a stop in the MAC booth.
- Queen and court will stay through Expo Banquet Wednesday night and then be released.

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

- 10:00 a.m. Queen and court will go to the MAC booth and walk the show floor.
- 6:30 p.m. Queen and court will attend the Expo Banquet.

Note: This schedule may change before EXPO.

Michigan Apple Queen

Please review the questions below. You may not necessarily be asked any of them at the pageant, but they will help you in being able to prepare to answer impromptu questions as Michigan Apple Queen.

- 1) What do you feel is the most pressing issue in the apple industry today and why?
- 2) Tell us how you would use consumer advertising to promote Michigan apples?
- 3) Tell us why Michigan apples are beneficial to our health?
- 4) If you were to make a career in the apple industry, what would it be and why?
- 5) Convince us to buy a Michigan apple over a Washington apple.
- 6) If you were to have any public figure to promote Michigan apples, who would it be and how would they accomplish this?
- 7) How could you, as the Michigan Apple Queen, direct the industry to help meet today's consumer demands?
- 8) What do you think the most important attribute of the Michigan Apple Queen should be?
- 9) Where do you see organic farming in the future of the apple industry? What would be the benefits to the producer and the consumer? What would be the negative factors?
- 10) How are new varieties of apples developed and marketed?
- 11) If you could develop a new variety of apple, what would it be like and how would you convince the public to try it?
- 12) What is your favorite apple and why? What apple do you think makes the best apple pie and why?
- 13) How do you think foreign trade affects Michigan apple growers?
- 14) What are your views on the problems faced by cider and juice manufacturers today?