

Official preliminary to the
MISS USA Pageant
as seen LIVE on NBC Television

MISS USA * MISS TEEN USA

STATE PAGEANT REGISTRATION PACKET



Dreams do come true!

Our pageant is designed to be an excellent vehicle for advancing your career and personal goals. You can win college scholarships, make new friends, boost self confidence, learn interview skills, and gain poise! As a contestant, you will participate in three equal judging categories consisting of Personal Interview, Swimsuit, and Evening Gown; and you will participate in two exciting stage shows. A performing talent is NOT required. Our judges will include experienced professionals from the modeling and entertainment industries!



Erin Brady
MISS USA 2013



Our state pageants are the official preliminaries to the **2015 MISS USA Pageant** as seen LIVE on NBC Television

The winners of our pageants

The winners of our pageants will embark on a journey that will include receiving a fabulous prize package, which offers over \$1 million in college scholarships to the state contestants, including scholarships to the prestigious New York Film Academy. They will have the chance to make appearances throughout the state, and will team up with several charitable organizations to build awareness of different issues and serve as role models for other young people by teaching them to get involved with their community. Of course the most thrilling part of their reign will be their trip to compete at the national telecast of MISS USA® and the MISS TEEN USA® national pageant. But the prizes are not limited to just the winner! During the pageant weekend, thirty contestants will receive college scholarships!

If you have any questions or concerns, or if you need a deadline extension, please call the the State Pageant Offices at Future Productions at (651) 222-9650. You may also visit us on the web at www.futureproductions.net. We will work closely with you as you prepare to become the next MISS USA® or MISS TEEN USA®!

Contact Us

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www.futureproductions.net



Halle Berry
Miss Ohio USA 1986



Eva Longoria
Miss Texas USA Contestant



Vanessa Minnillo
Miss Teen USA 1998



Ali Landry
Miss USA 1996



Susie Castillo
Miss USA 2003

Congratulations!

You have been selected to be a contestant in the MISS USA® and MISS TEEN USA® state pageants! This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to follow in the footsteps of countless celebrities who began their career by competing on the state pageant stage! Whether it's award-winning actresses like Halle Berry and Eva Longoria, or models and television personalities like Ali Landry and Vanessa Minnillo, the MISS USA® and MISS TEEN USA® state pageants are where they got their start.

Get ready for an exciting weekend of being on stage, making friends, challenging yourself, and becoming the star that you know you are!

Contact Us

Hours: **9 AM - 5 PM CT | Monday-Friday**

Phone: **(651) 222-9650**

Fax: **(952) 400-5870**

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7907 Stafford Trail
Savage, MN 55378-4308**

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REGISTRATION CHECKLIST

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE RECEIVED BY:

See date in your packet

- Registration Form (Section A only)
- Registration Fee DEPOSIT (non-refundable) of \$199.00

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE RECEIVED BY:

See date in your packet

- Registration Form (Section B only)
- Registration Fee 2ND PAYMENT of \$300.00

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE RECEIVED BY:

See date in your packet

- Registration Form (Section C only)
- Registration Fee FINAL PAYMENT of \$ _____
Payment should equal the registration fee total minus the amount previously paid
- Sponsorship Receipt(s) (one for each sponsor - make copies as needed)
- Go to www.futureproductions.net/contestant and submit your information for the program book (hometown, sponsors, etc.)
- Release Form
Please complete both pages with handwritten signatures (not typed) in all applicable areas.
- Interview Form
- Emcee Form
- Contestant Entry Form/Contract
Please complete, initial each page and sign the Contestant Entry Form/Contract. If under 18 years of age, please have a parent/guardian sign as well. Initials and signatures must be handwritten (not typed).
- A photograph of yourself to be printed in the official state pageant program book and website
*Please send a clear, color photograph of head and shoulders. Emailed photos must be at least 1200x1800 pixels (4"x6" at 300 dpi). Emailed photos should be sent to photos@futureproductions.net. Photos are shown in color on the state pageant website, and are printed in black and white in the program book. Printed photos must be at least 4"x6" with your name and state written on the back. **Computer printouts are not acceptable.** Note: this photo will not be returned.*
- A photocopy of your Birth Certificate or US Passport for proof of age
If you were not born in the United States, please attach a photocopy of your passport or official naturalization papers, as stated in the Official Entry Form/Contract
- Photocopy of residency document #1**
(If you are under 19 years of age OR if you reside in the State as a full time student only - skip this section and see below)
Must be ONE of the following:
 - (a) my driver's license
 - (b) my voter identification or registration card
 - (c) my 2013 state or federal tax return (or my parent/guardian's return if I am listed as a dependent)
 - (d) lease or deed for a dwelling in my name with my address (evidencing occupancy of dwelling for at least six months immediately prior to the State Pageant)
 - (e) employment documents in my name with my address (a 2013 W2 Form from my employer, or 2 pay stubs - a current pay stub & a pay stub from 6 months ago only)
- Photocopy of residency document #2**
(If you are under 19 years of age OR if you reside in the State as a full time student only - skip this section and see below)
Must be ONE of the following, but must be a different document than residency document #1 above:
 - (a) my driver's license
 - (b) my voter identification or registration card
 - (c) my 2013 state or federal tax return (or my parent/guardian's return if I am listed as a dependent)
 - (d) lease or deed for a dwelling in my name with my address (evidencing occupancy of dwelling for at least six months immediately prior to the State Pageant)
 - (e) employment documents in my name with my address (a 2013 W2 Form from my employer, or 2 pay stubs - a current pay stub & a pay stub from 6 months ago only)
 - (f) my current school records (e.g., transcript or report cards with my name and either my address and/or the school's address)
 - (g) two telephone or utility bills in my name with my address (both the current bill and a bill dating back at least six months immediately prior to the State Pageant)
 - (h) two bank or credit card statements in my name with my address (both the current statement & a statement dating back at least 6 months prior to the State Pageant)

** If you are under 19 years of age OR if you reside in the State as a full time student only at a school, college or university and will complete or will have completed one entire semester, trimester or summer session by December 31, 2014, and will continue to reside in the State as a full time student at that same school, college or university through the State Pageant and, if you win, through the national pageant (although you may have spent or be spending the summer in another State), then you ONLY need attach a photocopy of the following:

- copies of my current school records (e.g., transcript or report cards with my name and either my address and/or the school's address)

Mail your registration materials to:

State Pageant Offices
c/o Future Productions
7907 Stafford Trail
Savage, MN 55378-4308

Special Instructions:

- Please be sure to send all of the required paperwork for your final deadline together at one time.
- If you find that you need more time, please contact us and we'll set up an extension for you on your deadlines.

REGISTRATION FORM • Section A

Select State: CO IA MN ND
 SD WI WY

CONTESTANT INFORMATION

Select Division: TEEN MISS

Contestant Name _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____
Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____
Contestant Email _____ Parent Email _____

REGISTRATION FEE DEPOSIT PAYMENT

For payment by check, enclose the check(s) and sponsorship form(s). To make payment with credit card go to www.futureproductions.net/payment, or fill in the information:

Deposit Amount \$ _____ (minimum deposit is \$199.00 and is non-refundable)

Please check all payment types that apply:

- Credit Card** - I made my payment at www.futureproductions.net/payment and the order # is: _____
 Credit Card - I completed the credit card information below **Checks** - I have enclosed the checks and sponsorship forms

Credit Card #: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____ Expiration: ____ / ____ CVV Code*: _____

Name of cardholder: _____

* The CVV code is the 3-digit code located on the signature strip of Visa-MasterCard-Discover cards. American Express CVV codes are 4-digit codes on the front of the card.

Signature of cardholder: _____

Please note that registration fee deposit of \$199.00 is not refundable under any circumstances



REGISTRATION FORM • Section B

Select State: CO IA MN ND
 SD WI WY

REGISTRATION FEE 2ND PAYMENT

Select Division: TEEN MISS

For payment by check, enclose the check(s) and sponsorship form(s). To make payment with credit card go to www.futureproductions.net/payment, or fill in the information:

Contestant Name _____

2nd Payment Amount \$ _____ (minimum 2nd Payment is \$300.00)

Please check all payment types that apply:

- Credit Card** - I made my payment at www.futureproductions.net/payment and the order # is: _____
 Credit Card - I completed the credit card information below **Checks** - I have enclosed the checks and sponsorship forms

Credit Card #: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____ Expiration: ____ / ____ CVV Code*: _____

Name of cardholder: _____

* The CVV code is the 3-digit code located on the signature strip of Visa-MasterCard-Discover cards. American Express CVV codes are 4-digit codes on the front of the card.

Signature of cardholder: _____

Please note that registration fees over the \$199.00 deposit are not refundable, but are transferable to any future year's participation



REGISTRATION FORM • Section C

Select State: CO IA MN ND
 SD WI WY

REGISTRATION FEE FINAL PAYMENT

Select Division: TEEN MISS

For payment by check, enclose the check(s) and sponsorship form(s). To make payment with credit card go to www.futureproductions.net/payment, or fill in the information:

Contestant Name _____

Final Payment Amount \$ _____ (final payment is the state registration fee minus your deposit & 2nd payment)

Please check all payment types that apply:

- Credit Card** - I made my payment at www.futureproductions.net/payment and the order # is: _____
 Credit Card - I completed the credit card information below **Checks** - I have enclosed the checks and sponsorship forms

Credit Card #: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____ Expiration: ____ / ____ CVV Code*: _____

Name of cardholder: _____

* The CVV code is the 3-digit code located on the signature strip of Visa-MasterCard-Discover cards. American Express CVV codes are 4-digit codes on the front of the card.

Signature of cardholder: _____

Please note that registration fees over the \$199.00 deposit are not refundable, but are transferable to any future year's participation

RELEASE FORM

Select State: CO IA MN ND
 SD WI WY

Select Division: TEEN MISS

Name _____ Birthday ____/____/____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parents Names _____ Phone (____) _____ Cell (____) _____

Family Physician _____ Phone (____) _____

GENERAL RELEASE (REQUIRED)

As consideration for my participation in the state preliminary competition for the MISS USA® or MISS TEEN USA®, I undersigned hereby:

- (1) Represent and warrant that (I) I meet any and all eligibility requirements for participation in the MISS USA/MISS TEEN USA Pageant and (II) I shall participate in the MISS USA/MISS TEEN USA Pageant if asked to do so by MISS Universe L.P., LLLP and shall execute any documents and abide by any rules and regulations necessary or appropriate in connection with such participation.
- (2) I understand that as soon as I return my required deposit, Future Productions, LLC, automatically make the necessary plans for my participation in the pageant. Therefore, if I should drop out of the pageant, there will be no refund for the deposit under any circumstances. Any registration fees above the deposit are also not refundable, but can be transferred to the following year's participation so long as the contestant notifies the pageant office at least 7 days prior to the start of the state pageant. The required deposit is not transferable.
- (3) I understand that if the number of registered contestants does not warrant a two-day event, the pageant will then be altered to a one day event and the pageant will no longer require an overnight stay by the contestants. In addition, the number of semifinalists selected for the pageant will be based on the number of registered contestants.

Signature of Contestant _____

Date _____

Signature of Parent / Guardian (if under 18) _____

Date _____

FOOD ALLERGY/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS (REQUIRED)

Our mission at our state pageants is to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of all of our contestants, and as an organization we do our best to provide adequate meals for our contestants and volunteers. With that said, our food service vendors unfortunately are not always able to guarantee meals that are free of food allergens, cross contamination, or specific ingredients. A list of the types of meals that are provided during our state pageant weekends include, but are not limited to: Baked or fried chicken dinner, pasta and breadsticks with salad, taco bar, sub sandwiches, and late night pizza after the Saturday preliminary show. If these types of meals do not adhere to your specific food allergy or dietary restriction, we strongly advise any contestant to bring their own meals with them, or have a parent bring them an alternative meal during the designated meal times.

Signature of Contestant _____

Date _____

Signature of Parent / Guardian (if under 18) _____

Date _____

MEDICAL TREATMENT RELEASE (OPTIONAL)

Explanation: At one of the past state competitions, one of the contestants, for some unexplained reason, developed a very high fever and became quite sick. The chaperones in charge thought it best that the contestant be taken to the hospital for a checkup and testing. Had the contestant's mother not been, by chance, in the hotel at the time, it would not have been possible to have a doctor in the emergency ward of the hospital examine the contestant since permission of a parent or guardian is needed in such cases.

Granted, we certainly hope that the unexpected does not happen. But if it does, and a parent or guardian is not available, we do want to make certain that the contestant is given proper medical attention. We will make every effort to contact you in such a case.

This release form information is optional and not required. It is the decision of the contestant's parent/guardian. If you wish to cooperate with us in this matter, fill out the information requested below, and where it says "statement," write that you give permission to pageant chaperones to proceed with basic medical attention if needed. Then sign your name. You may add any thoughts or facts which you feel are important.

Statement:

Signature of Parent / Guardian _____

Phone/Cell _____

List 2 contacts that staff personnel can call in the event of an emergency & the contestant's medical insurance information:

Name _____

Phone/Cell _____

Name _____

Phone/Cell _____

Medical Insurance Company _____

Policy # _____

(CONTINUED ON REVERSE)

RULES & REGULATIONS (REQUIRED)

- (1) Courtesy and proper language is required when dealing with other contestants, chaperones, pageant staff, production staff and hotel/venue staff.
(2) Contestants must be on time to all scheduled events. This includes but is not limited to rehearsals, reporting to the dressing rooms at the required times, meetings, meals, etc.
(3) Contestant and parents understand that if an updated contestant photo or bio is submitted after an original photo or bio has been submitted, Future Productions will make every effort to replace the original photo or bio, but, Future Productions cannot guarantee all items will be replaced.
(4) Contestants may not leave the state preliminary pageant with family or friends until the completion of the pageant.
(5) To leave the group (for example: restroom breaks) contestants must advise a staff member where they are going.
(6) Contestants and their family will be responsible for any medical expenses incurred during the pageant.
(7) There is no refund of deposit if contestant is unable to attend the pageant.
(8) Bounced checks will be charged an additional \$30.00 per bounced check. Sponsorship bounced check fees are the responsibility of the contestant.
(9) No family, friends, coaches, personal helpers, etc. will be allowed backstage or on-stage at any time for any reason.
(10) Outside of the competition, contestants, parents, friends, relatives, etc. should not approach the judges, the judges' coordinator, or auditors at any time for any reason.
(11) No food or drinks in the dressing room.
(12) No cell phones are allowed in the dressing rooms, interview rooms, rehearsals or backstage during the pageant events.
(13) No cameras, camera phones or video cameras are allowed in the dressing rooms or backstage at any time.
(14) No smoking, illegal substances or drinking of alcoholic beverages during the pageant weekend.
(15) After the crowning...only the Official Photographer will be allowed on-stage with a camera. Following completion of the official photographs, the stage will be opened to general public and their cameras.
(16) Contestants may not leave the hotel or venue at any time during the pageant weekend. This includes going to the parking lot.
(17) Contestants may not leave their assigned hotel room following contestant bed check.
(18) Visitors are not allowed in contestants' hotel rooms, including, but not limited to, parents, friends, family, hairdressers, etc.
(19) The contestant(s) shall be responsible for all incidental charges at the hotel.
(20) Room Service will be cash only. All room service bills and phone calls made from the hotel rooms are the responsibility of the contestant.
(21) Failure to adhere to these rules can result in the disqualification of the contest and in her removal from the pageant.
(22) Future Productions reserves the right to reschedule the pageant as a one-day event, if the number of contestants warrant the change.
(23) Contestants are not to leave their sleeping room at the hotel prior to 5:30am on Sunday. At 5:30am, contestants may leave room, but not hotel property.
(24) Should I withdraw from the pageant for any reason, I understand that no sponsorship payments are returned. Therefore, I would be responsible for refunding sponsors if requested to do so.

I hereby represent, warrant, and agree to all of the above rules and regulations as set forth by Future Productions, LLC.

Signature of Contestant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent / Guardian (if under 18) _____ Date _____

PARENTAL CONSENT (REQUIRED if contestant is under 18 years of age)

- (1) The undersigned hereby consent(s) and agree(s) to the execution by contestant of the foregoing release and to the appearance of contestant in the state preliminary pageant and, if asked, in the MISS USA® or MISS TEEN USA® Pageant.
(2) The undersigned will do any and all things necessary and reasonably required by the state preliminary pageant or MISS Universe, L.P., LLLP to assist in the full and complete cooperation of contestant in the connection with the state preliminary pageant and the MISS USA® or MISS TEEN USA® Pageant.
(3) The undersigned hereby guarantee(s) to the state preliminary pageant and to MISS Universe, L.P., LLLP. a full and complete performance by the contestant of each and all of the contestant's obligations as set forth in the release and further guarantee(s) that the contestant will not at any time disaffirm the release by reason of her minority or otherwise.
(4) If this instrument be executed by two or more persons, then this agreement shall be binding jointly and severally upon said persons and each of them, and each and all the representations, warranties and obligations on the part of the undersigned here in above set forth shall be and are deemed to be the joint and several representations, warranties, agreement and obligations of said persons and each of them.

I hereby represent, warrant, and agree to all of the above statements as sent forth by Future Productions, LLC.

Signature of Parent / Guardian _____ Date _____

Relationship to Contestant _____
(Signee must be either Parent or Guardian of contestant if contestant is under 18 years of age)

PERSONAL MEDICAL INFORMATION (REQUIRED)

Future Productions staff must be made aware in advance of any medical concerns so that the entire staff is knowledgeable and able to act accordingly in case of emergency. Please list any medication the contestant will be taking at the time of the event, i.e. Insulin, aspirin, inhaler, cough syrup, antibiotics, etc. It is vitally important to be informed of any medical condition of the candidate, i.e. asthma, diabetes, history of seizures, hemophilia, etc.

Medication _____ Medical Condition _____

Medication _____ Medical Condition _____

Medication _____ Medical Condition _____

INTERVIEW FORM

Select State: CO IA MN ND

SD WI WY

Select Division: TEEN MISS

OFFICE USE ONLY

Instructions:

- Do not write on the back of this form
- Use this form only, and do not add additional pages
- Use black ink pen only, no pencils or colored pens
- Print clearly (or type) using black ink pen only (no pencils or colored pens)
- This form is also available to fill out online as a PDF file • simply go to www.futureproductions.net/forms

This form **MUST** be completed and returned with your registration materials. This Interview Form will be used by the judges to develop questions for you during your interview.

NAME OF CONTESTANT _____ HOMETOWN _____

ACCOMPLISHMENTS/HONORS: _____

ACTIVITIES: _____

FAVORITE CHARITY & WHY?: _____

SPORTS/HOBBIES: _____

FAVORITE PLACE IN THE WORLD: _____

WHEN I DREAM, I DREAM OF: _____

MY LIFE AMBITION IS: _____

THE HARDEST DECISION I HAVE EVER MADE WAS: _____

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD TO PREPARE: _____

THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY OF MY LIFE SO FAR WAS: _____

EMCEE FORM

The bottom sections of this page will be used by the emcee during the Evening Gown & Swimwear events for both the Pageant Preliminaries & Pageant Finals. It is important that this sheet be filled out clearly and accurately. Please print clearly. You MUST use this original form, please DO NOT reproduce this form. DO NOT CUT THIS PAGE. DO NOT write anything on the back of the Emcee Card or use additional sheets. USE ONLY THE SPACE PROVIDED.

- Information read from the emcee card is for the audience only, and will have no bearing on the official scoring
- Future Productions staff will select certain items to be read based on the show production
- Please fill in the "Phonetic Pronunciation" of your name (how your name is pronounced) (example: Susie Langley - Su-zee Lang-lee)

Select State: CO IA MN ND
 SD WI WY

Select Division: TEEN MISS

OFFICE USE ONLY - SWIMWEAR

SF#

Contestant #

Name _____ Age _____

Phonetic Pronunciation of your name _____

Please list 3 activities, interests or interesting facts about you:

- Examples:
1. Member of the high school pep band
 2. Avid sky-diver
 3. I run the 400 meter hurdles on my track team

- Please write the phonetic pronunciation of any names that may be difficult to pronounce or unfamiliar.
- Please be sure to check the box for your state and division.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

OFFICE USE

Select State: CO IA MN ND
 SD WI WY

Select Division: TEEN MISS

OFFICE USE ONLY - EVENING GOWN

SF#

Contestant #

Name _____ Age _____

Phonetic Pronunciation of your name _____

Please list 3 accomplishments that you are most proud of:

- Examples:
1. Most Improved - Varsity Volleyball
 2. President of 4H
 3. Honor Roll Member - 2010-2012

- Please write the phonetic pronunciation of any names that may be difficult to pronounce or unfamiliar.
- Please be sure to check the box for your state and division.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR REGISTRATION

GO TO www.futureproductions.net/contestant AND SUBMIT YOUR INFORMATION FOR THE PROGRAM BOOK (HOMETOWN, SPONSORS, ETC.)

CONTESTANT ENTRY FORM/CONTRACT

Please complete, initial each page and sign the Contestant Entry Form/Contract. If under 18 years of age, please have a parent/guardian sign as well. Initials and signatures must be handwritten (not typed).

PROGRAM BOOK PHOTOGRAPH

Please send a clear, color photograph of head and shoulders. Emailed photos must be at least 1200x1800 pixels (4"x6" at 300 dpi). Emailed photos should be sent to photos@futureproductions.net. Photos are shown in color on the state pageant website, and are printed in black and white in the program book. Printed photos must be at least 4"x6" with your name and state written on the back. Computer printouts are not acceptable. Note: this photo will not be returned.

A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR US PASSPORT FOR PROOF OF AGE

If you were not born in the United States, please attach a photocopy of your passport or official naturalization papers, as stated in the Official Entry Form/Contract

PHOTOCOPY OF RESIDENCY DOCUMENT #1**

(If you are under 19 years of age OR if you reside in the State as a full time student only - skip this section and see below)

Must be ONE of the following:

- (a) my driver's license
- (b) my voter identification or registration card
- (c) my 2013 state or federal tax return (or my parent/guardian's return if I am listed as a dependent)
- (d) lease or deed for a dwelling in my name with my address (evidencing occupancy of dwelling for at least six months immediately prior to the State Pageant)
- (e) employment documents in my name with my address (a 2013 W2 Form from my employer, or 2 pay stubs - a current pay stub & a pay stub from 6 months ago only)

PHOTOCOPY OF RESIDENCY DOCUMENT #2**

(If you are under 19 years of age OR if you reside in the State as a full time student only - skip this section and see below)

Must be ONE of the following, but must be a different document than residency document #1 above:

- (a) my driver's license
- (b) my voter identification or registration card
- (c) my 2013 state or federal tax return (or my parent/guardian's return if I am listed as a dependent)
- (d) lease or deed for a dwelling in my name with my address (evidencing occupancy of dwelling for at least six months immediately prior to the State Pageant)
- (e) employment documents in my name with my address (a 2013 W2 Form from my employer, or 2 pay stubs - a current pay stub & a pay stub from 6 months ago only)
- (f) my current school records (e.g., transcript or report cards with my name and either my address and/or the school's address)
- (g) two telephone or utility bills in my name with my address (both the current bill and a bill dating back at least six months immediately prior to the State Pageant)
- (h) two bank or credit card statements in my name with my address (both the current statement & a statement dating back at least 6 months prior to the State Pageant)

**** If you are under 19 years of age OR if you reside in the State as a full time student only at a school, college or university and will complete or will have completed one entire semester, trimester or summer session by December 31, 2014, and will continue to reside in the State as a full time student at that same school, college or university through the State Pageant and, if you win, through the national pageant (although you may have spent or be spending the summer in another State), then you ONLY need attach a photocopy of the following:**

COPIES OF MY CURRENT SCHOOL RECORDS

copies of my current school records (e.g., transcript or report cards with my name and either my address and/or the school's address)



SPONSORSHIP FORM

1. Please PRINT the name of the sponsoring organization in the blank indicated.
2. Check(s) should be made payable to FUTURE PRODUCTIONS.
3. Return this form, along with the check from your sponsor. Please make as many copies of this form as is necessary. Each sponsorship check should be accompanied by a sponsorship form. DO NOT STAPLE CHECK TO FORM.

Sponsorship in the amount of _____ for
 _____ of _____
 (NAME OF CONTESTANT) (HOMETOWN AREA)

in the state preliminary to MISS USA® or the MISS TEEN USA® Pageant.

Name of Sponsoring Organization: _____

Complete Address of Sponsor: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Sponsoring Organization/Representative Signature _____ Date _____



 Please Detach and Leave with Your Sponsor

SPONSORSHIP RECEIPT

Dear Sponsor:

Future Productions and the Miss Universe Organization would like to extend to you sincere thanks for your support of this very special young lady. It is important that we continue to encourage women of all backgrounds to strive for success. This is an opportunity for this contestant to be involved with an organization that emphasizes a tradition of spotlighting positive role models for today's young women. Your support of this contestant makes this possible.

Received from: _____ Amount \$ _____
 (Name of Sponsor)

Representing: _____
 (Name of Contestant)



THANK YOU!

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

SPONSORSHIP

This sheet refers to your registration fee to enter the state pageant. Registration fees are used to cover the costs of materials, postage, stage set and auditorium, contestant hotel rooms, meeting rooms, judges, awards and prizes. There will be no additional fees required for participation.

REQUIRED DEPOSIT

A minimum deposit of \$199.00 is required to secure your position in this year's state pageant. This deposit will be deducted from the total registration fee as listed in the cover letter that accompanied this packet. You can either secure the sponsors to pay for your registration fee deposit or pay the deposit yourself via check or credit card. To send in your required deposit, please fill in the appropriate information in Section A of the Registration Form, cut along the dotted line, and mail to us your deposit along with Section A by the due date stamped on the Registration Checklist. If you find that you need more time to acquire your deposit payment, please contact us and we will set up an extension for you. As soon as you send in your deposit, we will automatically make the necessary plans for your participation in the pageant. Therefore, if you should withdraw from the pageant for any reason, there will be no refund for the deposit. Any money sent in above the deposit amount cannot be refunded, but can be transferred to the following year's pageant.

ACQUIRING SPONSORS

If you or your family are not wanting to personally pay the registration fee, you are encouraged secure sponsors to pay your registration fee. Some ladies prefer to pay the fee themselves like you would to take dance lessons, go to camp, join a traveling sports team, etc. Either way you do it is fine by us. Sponsorship from businesses can be tax deductible as an advertising expense. Names of sponsors are listed on the state pageant program book and website under the name of the contestant being sponsored. The following information should prove helpful in securing a sponsor or sponsors.

USING www.gofundme.com

Over the past couple years, we have been working to find a great online resource to help some of our contestants in raising sponsorship for the state pageant. Now, we believe we have found a website that will make it easy for each of you to reach out to your friends and family to ask them for their support as you start your journey to becoming Miss USA or Miss Teen USA.

The online resource is www.gofundme.com. This website is designed to work together with a PayPal account to allow you to raise funds using social media tools like Facebook,

Twitter, Email and more. You can share your GoFundMe page with all of your friends and family and reach out to them for their support in your quest for the title.

Please keep in mind that Future Productions does not own GoFundMe.com, nor are we associated

with GoFundMe.com. Any questions about their service should be directed to GoFundMe using the information provided on their website.



WHO TO ASK

- (1) **Personal Contributions:** Do consider many small donations from neighbors, friends, and relatives. This is a very successful method. We suggest you make a list of people who you know well and who you feel will be excited to see you have this opportunity. Then ask each person for a donation of \$35-\$50. This is basically what someone might spend on a gift or to send you flowers. This gives people who love you a chance to be a part of your big event. Contestants receive significant contributions from collections made at Mom or Dad's work or clubs.
- (2) **Business Firms:** Banks or larger businesses are often very willing to be sponsors, as are accountants, dentists, doctors and insurance agents. Consider places where your family has recently made a major purchase; real estate agents, car dealers, and furniture stores are possibilities. A place where your parents work should be considered. Smaller businesses are very good, particularly if your family does regular business there. Examples are grocery stores, service stations, cleaners, clothing stores, hardware stores, etc. Don't overlook places not frequently visited, such as funeral homes. Also, inform the business that the sponsorship is a tax deduction as a form of advertising.
- (3) **Community Organizations:** This includes groups such as Jaycees (Jr. Chamber of Commerce), Rotary Club, Optimist Club, Kiwanis Club, Chamber of Commerce, American Legion or VFW.

WARDROBE INFORMATION

HAIR & MAKE-UP

At the national pageants, you are expected to be able to do your own hair and make-up. At the state level, we do allow you to provide your own assistants, should you need it. Make-up artists & hair stylists are allowed to meet their contestant in a designated meeting space on both Saturday and Sunday approximately 75 minutes before showtime. In order to do this, the make-up artists & hair stylists must have a ticket for that day's show. At no time will make-up artists or hair stylists be allowed backstage, in the contestant dressing rooms or in the contestant sleeping rooms.

Stage Make-up: While you always want your natural beauty to shine, please note that for stage and television, you will want to wear more make-up than you would on an everyday basis. Stage lights have the tendency to "wash people out". This being said, you will want to make sure that your eye make-up is darker than usual. We also recommend wearing false eyelashes to really make your eyes pop. An oily/greased body is not permitted during the swimsuit competition.

Interview Make-up: You are not under bright lights, but you are at a close distance to the judges so you'll want to look your best. Please do not "cake on" your make-up as you want them to see your natural beauty.

INTRODUCTION OUTFIT

The Program Finals open with the Introduction Number. Each contestant should be dressed in a black and/or silver outfit. Introduction outfits can be a simple black dress, and pant/top combination, a skirt and top, etc. Accents, jewelry and shoes should also be black or silver and compliment the outfit. Remember, this should be a fun and fashionable look!

INTERVIEW

Your interview attire should be similar to what you would wear for a modeling call or interview. Attire could be a cute dress, pant suit, pants & blouse, skirt & jacket, or a skirt & blouse. Jewelry should be appropriate for your outfit and should not be distracting. You will meet with each judge for a short interview, during which each judge will try to get an idea of who you are as an individual. They will seek a young woman capable of expressing herself clearly, intelligently, and confidently. This is your opportunity to impress the judges with your opinions, ability to communicate, and overall sense of self. They are not looking for rehearsed answers.

EVENING GOWN

Judges focus on poise, overall appearance, sense of fashion and style. No single detail of the gown, hair or make-up should garner attention. The overall effect should be a reflection of your personality. It can be any color or style. A variety of styles will be seen during the event, from formal gown to a simple, elegant dress. This could be your prom gown, homecoming dress, or a gown that you borrow from a friend. The most important factor to consider is if the gown is age appropriate for the candidate. All evening gowns must be floor length. No props (gloves, parasols, fans, bouquets, hats, etc.) will be allowed.

SWIMWEAR

Judges will focus on overall fitness and the poise with which you carry yourself. Physical measurements are NOT part of the judging! TEEN contestants are required to wear a one-piece swimwear of any solid color (we highly recommend that contestants DO NOT wear monokinis - small cut-outs are ok, but should be appropriate for a Teen for wearing onstage). MISS contestants can wear either one-piece or two-piece swimsuits and must be solid in color. No thongs or Brazilian cuts will be allowed. All swimsuits must be a solid color (no patterns, etc.). Swimsuits can have piping or trimming of a different color, but the main part of the swimwear must be solid in color (see the samples on the back of this page). Please do not wear any jewelry or panty hose, or use any baby oil. No wraps, surongs or coverups are allowed during the swimwear competition. You should reflect a healthy, fit and confident physical appearance. Contestants can wear a coverup/robe to stay warm while in the dressing room, but the coverup/robe must be left in the dressing room, as it cannot be worn backstage or onstage at any time.

SHOES

Heels should be worn for evening gown and swimwear, and should compliment your outfit. Shoes with lights on them are not allowed for competition. Shoes for your interview outfit should simply compliment your outfit. Introduction number shoes can be heels, boots, or tennis shoes - whatever fits the look!

REHEARSALS, FREE TIME, ETC.

During pageant rehearsals, we require that all contestants wear casual, comfortable clothes. Please wear jeans, yoga pants, or sweat-pants and a t-shirt or casual top. In addition, please wear comfortable, flat shoes for rehearsal, but please bring your competition heels to rehearsals so that you can practice walking in them.

PIERCINGS AND TATTOOS

Body piercings and tattoos are allowed. Often times, contestants decide to remove body piercings (belly button, nose, eyebrow) during competition. Additionally, contestants sometimes prefer to cover their tattoo(s) during competition. For this, we recommend a product called dermablend (www.dermablend.com).

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IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR TEEN CONTESTANTS

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INTERVIEW



INTRODUCTION OUTFIT



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Why is there a registration fee?

A: Like taking dance lessons, joining a softball team, going to camp, or any other activity that you sign up to participate in, producing an event of this caliber does call for some financial expenses. The registration fee each contestant is required to pay covers event production expenses including, but not limited to: contestant meals, busses, hotel rooms, venue rental, postage, judge's flights and accommodations, trip for the winners to the national pageants, sound and lighting technicians and rentals, etc. We feel that we have done a great job on page 17 of offering suggestions on the best way to go about finding sponsors if you and your parents do not want to pay the fee out of pocket.

Q: When will the national pageant be televised?

A: The MISS USA® national pageant is typically televised in the later Spring or early Summer each year. The MISS TEEN USA® national pageant, is typically produced in July or August, but is not always televised.

Q: What if I raise more sponsorship money than the required registration fee?

A: You may collect more than the required registration fee. If you do collect over the required amount of the registration fee, please send in the full amount to the state pageant offices, and we will reimburse back to you the difference during the check-in on the first day of the pageant (so long as the sponsorship is received at least 3 weeks prior to the state pageant to allow time for checks to clear). You may then use the additional money for any additional expenses you may incur during the course of your preparation and competition in the pageant. The pageant will only refund amounts over \$10.

Q: Do I need a different gown for finals than the one I wear for preliminaries?

A: No. We highly recommend wearing the same gown for both preliminaries and finals. Nearly all contestants at the state pageant wear the same gown for both.

Q: What is the "Introduction Outfit" for?

A: At the beginning of the show for the pageant, each contestant will be introduced to the audience during an upbeat introduction (contestant will not sing or dance).

Q: Do I need a talent to compete in the state pageant?

A: There is no talent portion to the Miss USA and Miss Teen USA pageant system. There are three equally scored categories, including interview, evening gown, and swimwear.

Q: Are there any height or weight requirements to compete in the pageant?

A: Absolutely not! Each contestant in our pageant is an individual and the judges are looking for body proportion and personality, not a specific body measurement.

Q: What if I have more than 10 sponsors?

A: You may have as many sponsors as you wish. We do want to stress, however, that only 10 listings (limited to 75 characters per line including spaces) of sponsors can be listed in the state pageant program book and on the website next to your name. In the event that you have more than 10 sponsors, you can simply combine sponsors on a line, so long as each line does not exceed 75 characters including spaces (Example: Hy-Vee Food / Smith Shoe Repair). Or you may list them as something like: "Sponsored by the Community of _____."

Q: What happens if I can't get my registration materials in before the deadlines?

A: Deadlines are very important to us in order to make timely program preparations. However, we realize that unexpected circumstances can arise and that the collection of sponsorship may take longer than expected. Therefore, extensions on due dates are available when needed. If you need an extension, please call or email the state pageant offices and request a new due date.

Q: When will the semi-finalists be named?

A: The semi-finalists in the pageant will be named during the first portion of the pageant finals on the last day of the pageant weekend. No one will know who the semi-finalists are until that moment in the pageant finals show. All contestants will participate throughout the pageant finals show.

Q: If I am not named as a semi-finalist, will I still be in the pageant finals?

A: Absolutely. The pageant finals will start with every contestant being introduced and all contestants will participate in the gown review, special awards, naming of the semi-finalists, musical performances, and naming of the titleholders. You will be on stage at many times during the pageant finals, even if you are not named as a semi-finalist.

Q: Do I need to pay for my meals during pageant weekend?

A: No. Most all of your meals throughout the state pageant weekend are provided by the state pageant. Although all of your meals are provided, we do recommend that you are prepared for any additional meals that you may want.

Q: Do I need to pay for my hotel room during pageant weekend?

A: No. Your hotel room during the pageant is provided for you by the state pageant. You will be roomed with one other contestant in a room with two beds. If you choose to arrive the night before or stay the night after the pageant, your room for those nights would be at your own expense.

Q: How many other contestants will I room with at the hotel?

A: Each contestant is paired with one other contestant in order to share each hotel room. Each room will have two beds, so each contestant will have their own bed. In order to be respectful to the contestant with whom you are sharing the room, only the two of you are allowed in your hotel room (no family or friends allowed at any time).

Q: Will the photo that I sent in with my application or the photo I send in with my registration materials be returned to me?

A: Unfortunately, the state pageant offices must keep your application and contestant photos on record for the Miss Universe Organization, and these photos will not be able to be returned to you after the pageant. Please be sure that you are not sending us your only copy of the photo.

Q: Who are the state pageant judges?

A: The state pageant judging panel consists of experienced judges from the modeling industry, entertainment industry, pageant industry, media, and the business community.

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Q: Is the state pageant televised?

A: The state pageant is not televised, but videos of the state pageant will be available for sale during the state pageant weekend.

Q: Can I make copies of the white sponsorship form?

A: Please make as many copies of the white Sponsor Form as needed for the appropriate number of sponsors that you secure. If you are getting individual cash donations from family and friends who do not need or want a receipt, you do not need a white Sponsor Form for each individual. Do, however, send one white Sponsor Form showing the combined amount donated by family and friends.

Q: If my family or friends want to attend the pageant, where do they stay?

A: In this packet, as well as on our website, you will find the hotels which the state pageant recommends for family and friends. Be sure to tell them to mention to hotel reservations that they are "Friends or Family of a Miss USA/Teen USA state contestant" so they get a discounted rate!

Q: Can my family or friends take photos or videotape the pageant?

A: Unfortunately, video cameras and still cameras are not permitted at the pageant preliminaries and pageant finals. Photos and DVDs will be available for purchase.

Q: How can I order professional photos or videos of the pageant?

A: A couple weeks prior to the state pageant weekend, you will receive an order form for both photos and videos. If you would like to purchase either of these items, you can simply fill out the form and turn it in to the official pageant photographer and videographer at the state pageant check-in on the first day of pageant weekend. In addition, you can turn in that order form anytime throughout the state pageant weekend. Please note that no video and no photography will be allowed during the show by event attendees.

Q: How do my family and friends get tickets to attend the pageant?

A: They can purchase them online with a credit card at www.futureproductions.net, or they can purchase tickets with cash at the pageant (please keep in mind that the show can be sold out, so it is best to have them purchase the tickets in advance online). Please note that online tickets sales are not mailed, but must be picked up by the purchaser at the will call ticket table at the pageant.

Q: Where can I order items that I may need for the pageant, as well as t-shirts, videos, memorabilia, etc.?

A: For your convenience, we have many items available for sale on our online store at www.futureproductions.net/store. In addition, our staff will have many items available for you to purchase onsite during the state pageant weekend.

Q: What type of photo should I use for my official state pageant photo in the program book?

A: Your program book photo should be a head and shoulders portrait photo. We recommend a photo with no hands or hats in the photo. This will be used in the state pageant program book and will in no way be judged.

Q: What should I do if a sponsor gives me cash for my registration fee?

A: If you receive cash contributions for your registration fee, you may put that money into a money order or send a personal check. Please DO NOT send cash through the mail at any time. If your cash collected exceeds the registration fee for the state pageant, then you do not have to send in the additional cash.

Q: How many contestants compete at the state pageant?

A: The number of contestant vary from year to year, but each year approximately 20-50 contestants compete for the Miss title, and 40-70 contestant compete for the Teen title.

Q: What should my family and friends wear to the pageant?

A: We recommend anything from business casual to formalwear for the pageant preliminaries and pageant finals.

Q: Can I wear a sarong or wrap with my swimwear?

A: Because the new titleholder is unable to wear a cover-up or wrap at the national pageant, we cannot allow any type of sarong or wrap during the swimwear portion of the state pageant.

Q: When will this year's contestants' photos be posted on the website?

A: This year's contestants' photos will be posted on the state pageant website approximately one day prior to the state pageant.

Q: Do I need to find sponsors?

A: No. If you would prefer to pay the sponsorship fee or if your parents would like to just pay the sponsorship fee, there is no need to seek assistance from businesses and individuals in your community.

Q: Will my sponsors be listed on the website?

A: Yes. Each contestants' ten sponsor listings will be listed on the website with her photo. Each sponsor listing is limited to 75 characters including spaces.

Q: If my family or I pay the registration fee and I do not have sponsors, what will get listed on the website?

A: We would encourage you to submit something like the following to appear on the website and in the program book, "Thank you to my family and friends for your support!"

Q: Can I purchase an ad for the state pageant program book?

A: Yes. Once we have received your complete registration materials, you will receive from us another packet containing information on how to secure a spotlight page for yourself.

Q: Why am I asked to provide a report card / transcript?

A: This documentation is merely used as a proof of residency. The judges never see this. You will NOT be penalized for poor grades or rewarded for exceptional grades at the state pageant.

Q: If I need to check FALSE on the morals clause in the contract, will I automatically be disqualified?

A: No. Each individual case is given consideration. We do ask, however, that you quickly provide the documentation requested by the state pageant offices in order to get the approval process started.



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