

Miss Russell County Fair 2026

***Saturday, August 15th, 2026 at 1:00 pm
Lebanon High School
105 Charles C. Long Drive Lebanon, VA 24266***

Rules and Application Packet

Please bring application or mail to:

Russell County Fair Association

***PO BOX 2105
Lebanon, VA 24266
276-608-4579***

******The Miss Russell County Fair pageant is open to
contestants ages 0 and up, residing in the
State of Virginia.***

Admission Fee to the Pageant -\$5



RULES

All contestants must be a resident of the state of Virginia. Contestants competing in the Miss Russell County Fair age division must not have their 23rd birthday on or before August 15th, 2026.

1. Miss contestants must be of good moral character never having been pregnant, one that has not been convicted of a crime, nor has any criminal charges against her, one that has never done any act or engaged in any activity that could be characterized as dishonest, immoral, immodest, indecent, or in bad taste.
2. Winners are **NOT** eligible to enter the same division of competition the following year.
3. Management has the right to combine or divide age groups.
4. **JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL!!!** Score sheets are not given out.
5. **Proof of residency and age is required upon request.**
6. **Ages 0 months - 12 years will compete in Western Wear ONLY. Ages 13 years -22 years will compete in Western Wear and change to Formal Evening Wear. Elite Miss and Elegant Miss will compete in Western Wear and Formal Evening Wear .**
7. **Ages 16 to 22 will be required to participate in an interview portion. This will be held on Saturday, August 15th, 2026 at the high school prior to the Jr. Miss portion of the pageant. Contestants need to arrive interview ready!**
8. **Elite and Elegant Miss may be married or unmarried, children or no children. However, anyone under 23 married and/or with children must compete in the elite pageant.**
9. **ALL FEES, APPLICATIONS, PHOTOS, AND SPONSORSHIP MONEY/ITEMS MUST BE RECEIVED THE EVENING OF REHEARSAL. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**
10. **Rehearsal is MANDATORY and will be at Lebanon High School Thursday, August 13th, 2026 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.**
11. **For age divisions 0 months - 12 years the Pageant will begin at 1:00 sharp, Saturday, August 15th, 2026 at Lebanon High School. After the conclusion of those age divisions there will be a 30-minute intermission .**

SPONSORSHIP

- ❖ **ALL** contestants are encouraged to participate in the Sponsorship Queen portion of the pageant. The young lady who raises the most money will be our Sponsorship Queen and will receive a gorgeous crown and plaque.
- ❖ All Sponsors will need to be listed on the sheet provided in the application with the amount of the donation to help keep track of the monies that are turned in. This will be turned in the day of rehearsal.
- ❖ **NO SPONSORSHIP MONEY WILL BE TAKEN AFTER THAT DAY.**

PHOTOGENIC COMPETITION - \$10 ENTRY FEE

- ❖ One 5X7 or 8X10 can be entered for Miss Photogenic. It needs to be a recent photo of the contestant, in a neutral frame, under glass, and will need to be turned in the day of rehearsal. The **NAME, AGE, and ADDRESS** must be on the back of the photo securely attached.
- ❖ Photos will be judged in **4 categories**: Ages 0 months - 4 years, 5 years - 9 years, 10 years - 15 years, and 16 years and up. **Photographs must be picked up immediately following the pageant. The pageant committee is NOT responsible for photos that are not picked up.** Trophies and sashes will be presented to the winners. Only **FOUR** winners will be chosen for the entire pageant for Miss Photogenic.

PAGEANT COMPETITION - \$40 ENTRY FEE (0 months through 15 years, Elite and Elegant)

\$50 Entry Fee (Miss RCFA-16-22 years)

- ❖ **Queens of Miss Russell County Fair are strongly encouraged to participate in Fair Activities during the 2026 Russell County Fair.** Some of these include making appearances throughout the week at various fair functions, such as the Horse Show, RC Fair Raffle Giveaway, Senior Citizens Day, School Day, etc.
- ❖ Each age division will have a **Queen, First Runner Up, and Second Runner Up except for Elite and Elegant Division.**

SIDE NOTES

- ❖ Miss Russell County Fair 2026 must agree to represent Russell County at the Virginia Association of Fairs Pageant in Williamsburg VA on January 14-17th. This is an all-expense paid trip for the Queen. The contestant must be at the convention no later than 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 14th.
- ❖ If the queen is unable to fulfill **ANY** responsibilities, which include attending various functions throughout the fair and year, the First Runner-Up will assume the responsibility and duties.
- ❖ The Pageant Chairman will work closely with and guide the reigning Queen in **ALL** aspects of preparation for the Miss Virginia Association of Fairs competition. The Pageant Director will also approve **ALL** wardrobe selections and presentations prior to the VAF competition.
- ❖ A prize of \$350 will be awarded to the winner of the Miss Russell County Fair Pageant. This will be maintained by the Pageant Director to be used specifically for VAF competition costs. (Clothing allowance, hair, etc.)
- ❖ IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS BETWEEN NOW AND THE DATE OF REHEARSAL FEEL FREE TO CALL OR EMAIL Olivia at 423-429-2424, oliviagsimmons1@gmail.com or message our facebook page, Miss Russell County Fair Pageant.

Age Divisions (Please circle)

*****Make all checks payable to RCFA*****

0-12 months
13 months-2 years
3-4 years
5-6 years
7-9 years
10-12 years
13-15 years
16-22 years
Elite Miss-(23-39 years)
Elegant Miss-(Age 40+)

Applications and entry fee can be mailed to:
Russell County Fair Pageant
PO Box 2105
Lebanon, VA 24266
This is not a requirement.
Applications can be brought to rehearsal

Full Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Date of Birth/Age: _____

Daughter of: _____

Hair Color: _____ Eye Color: _____

Current School and grade: _____

What college would you like to attend: _____

Hobbies/Ambitions:

One word to describe yourself: _____

E-mail address: _____

Ages 0-15, Elite and Elegant. Pageant Entry Fee \$40.00 _____ Photogenic \$10.00 _____

Miss (16-22) Pageant Entry Fee \$50.00 _____ Photogenic \$10.00 _____

Signature of Parent or Contestant if over 18 years of age:

PAGEANT COMMITTEE USE ONLY!!!

PAID ___ CASH ___ CHECK ___

INITIAL _____

MISS RUSSELL COUNTY FAIR 2026 SPONSORSHIP SHEET

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*****Additional Sheets can be added if needed*****