COWLEY COUNTY FAIR KING & QUEEN CONTEST

PURPOSE:
The Cowley County Fair King & Queen Contest is designed to bring to the attention of the general public the outstanding youth of our county, to promote youth development organizations involved with the fair and to promote the Cowley County Fair.

Entry Deadline - July 1, 2023. All applications will be reviewed by the judging committee prior to the Cowley County Fair. Late applications will not be accepted.

RULES:
1. Each Cowley County Fair Group, FFA Chapter or 4-H Club may nominate King and Queen candidates from their eligible membership.
2. All contestants must be nominees of one Cowley County organization named above.
3. All contestants must be exhibitors in the Cowley County Fair in the year nominated.
4. All contestants must be between 14 and 18 years of age before January 1 of the current year. Contestants who have previously served as King or Queen will not be considered.
6. Contestants who have not served as King or Queen may re-enter the contest.
7. Final selection of King and Queen will be made by a combination of judges’ scores and balloting by Cowley County Fair board members.
8. Candidates may not bring additional items, such as scrap books, photo albums, etc. into the interviews. Judges’ selections will be based solely on the written application and personal interview.
9. All nominees must complete the King and Queen Entry Form and return to Cowley County Extension, 311 E 9th St., Winfield, 67156 by 5:00 p.m. on or before July 1.
10. Interviews will be the week of July 17th-21st.
11. Winners will be announced before the goat show of the Cowley County Fair.

INTERVIEWS:
Face to face interviews will be conducted by three or more judges selected by the Cowley Fair Board King and Queen Committee. The interview will be held on (date) at (location). Face to face is defined as physically in the room with the judges. No additional materials may be brought to the interviews.

SCORING: Scoring will be done as follows:
1. Cowley County Fair Activities 30%
2. Club or Chapter Activities 15%
3. School, Church, Community Activities 10%
4. Poise and Personality 20%
5. Personal Appearance 10%

RESPONSIBILITY OF COWLEY FAIR QUEEN AND KING COURT:
1. Attend all Cowley County Fair shows and sales during the current fair. May be excused to attend functions to represent Cowley with approval of Cowley Fair King and Queen Committee or committee advisors.
2. Must be available to present awards to all Cowley Fair Shows, responsibilities being divided if one or the other is showing.
3. A schedule of time and places where attendance is required will be provided by the Cowley Fair King and Queen Committee. The King and Queen will be responsible for assigning all court members to Cowley County Fair shows and events. Court members will meet immediately following the coronation to review responsibilities.
4. The King and Queen shall represent Cowley County Fair.
COWLEY COUNTY FAIR KING & QUEEN CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Name ____________________________________________
Address __________________________________________
City _____________________________________________
Father’s Name ___________________________________
Mother’s Name ___________________________________
Date of Birth _____________________________________
Age (before January 1, 2023) _________________
High School______________________________________
Grade Completed __________________________________
Nominating Organization ___________________________
Years as a Member ________________________________

INSTRUCTIONS
Please type or print clearly. DO NOT add extra pages. If you have more activities than can be listed, eliminate the least important. This application must be signed by the candidate and the candidate’s organization’s advisor or community leader. Mail or deliver to Cowley County Extension by July 1ST.

1. 4H-FFA Leadership Activities

2. Community Activities

3. School Activities

4. Church or other Activities

Award: The King, Queen each will receive $450.00 to be awarded at the completion of their reign (if their requirements are fulfilled). The King and Queen shall be awarded a $50.00 scholarship for participation in a youth organized sponsored educational event to be used during the year of their reign. Sashes, and tiaras will be awarded to the winners.
Candidate's last name: ____________________ First name: ____________________

4-H Club/FFA Chapter: ____________

As a Cowley County Fair Royalty member, how one behaves, acts, and speaks gives people an impression of the Cowley County Fair. The Fair Board represents a diverse population, respects the rights of every individual and makes better citizens for each club and chapter, communities, country and the world. To represent the Cowley County Fair positively, this agreement must be signed and read prior to a royalty interview. This agreement is in effect at any time a candidate is with any 4-H/FFA group, at any 4-H/FFA function or representing 4-H/FFA in any way: club, county, district, state and national 4-H/FFA functions, as well as any other functions at which one is representing 4-H/FFA during the twelve months after being chosen as King/Queen or Court of Honor member (also known as the Cowley County Fair Royalty).

As a Cowley County Fair Royalty member, it is understood and agreed:

**A. The** **contestant** **is expected to and agrees to:**

1. Be enrolled as a 4-H/FFA exhibitor at the current year Cowley County Fair.
2. Behave in ways acceptable to other 4-H/FFA members, leaders, families, chaperones and hosts.
3. Respect others' ideas, abilities and bodies.
4. Be responsible for my own property. Respect all public and private property.
5. Be financially liable for any damages to public and/or private property beyond reasonable use.
6. Abide by the leader or chaperone's spoken and/or written word.
7. If contestant is selected to serve on the Cowley County Fair Royalty as King, Queen or Court of Honor, he/she will be required to dress in business casual or professional attire, accompanied by the county sash and county crown (if applicable) or county pins for males, as well as in a business professional manner, while on duty promoting and representing the Cowley County Fair. Once a contestant is selected to serve on the Cowley County Fair Royalty and accepts, he/she cannot wear a club crown, club sash or club royalty pin when he/she is representing the Cowley County Fair.
8. Obey all federal, state and municipal laws, and abide by the Cowley County Fair Royalty Code of . Contestants may not have been convicted of a felony act.
9. Contestant agrees not to hold another title or crown during his/her term as Cowley County Fair King or Queen.
10. The contestant agrees that the time, method and manner of judging shall be solely within the discretion of the rules and regulations set forth by the Cowley County Fair Coronation Committee and that the decision of the judges shall be final.

**B. A candidate will NOT:**

1. Possess and/or consume alcoholic beverages or any illegal or unsafe chemical substances (drugs).
2. Possess or use any tobacco product.
3. Use language that offends other 4-H/FFA members, leaders, families or chaperones.
4. Participate in activities which could harm any person mentally, physically or emotionally.
5. Participate in sexual misconduct.
6. Wear the county crown (if applicable) or county sash, or county royalty pins while he/she is actually showing or being judged at the Cowley County 4-H Fair; and/or while he/she is selling an animal in the 4-H/FFA Premium Sale at the Cowley County Fair.

**C. If you are chosen as Cowley County Fair King, Queen or Court of Honor:**

1. You are required to attend all days of the Cowley County Fair (Wed-Monday) and during the fair you agree to do the following: to work a minimum of SIX shifts (minimum of 1 hours per shift) handing out ribbons in various department judging (Beef, bucket calf, Dairy cow, horse, sheep, goat, dairy goat, swine, Barn 4); work one or more shifts at the Grandstand events; attend the Buyers BBQ dinner to collect tickets, meet and greet guests at the fair daily; attend the fair set-up and clean-up; make at least one
appearance on the radio, and such other appearances as directed by the Cowley County 4-H Fair Coronation Committee.

2. You are required to appear at a minimum of TWO of the following Cowley County events: Fall For Extension, National 4-H Week, Cowley County Achievement Night, 4-H Day, Isle of Lights, any other approved community service event

3. You will attend one Cowley County 4-H Pre-Fair Judging Event. Pre-Fair Judging Events are Dogs, Horses, Shooting Sports, Archery, or Fashion Revue.

4. You will participate and appear in two parades in Cowley County, Kansas.

5. You will attend one Cowley County Fair Board meeting in the months of September, October, or November 2021.

6. I fully understand my obligations as set forth above in Article C. 1-5 detailed above. [Initial _____] When attending any of these events please have photos taken and forward those photos to be determined. Photos may be used to promote the fair via print or social media. Thank you.

**Consequences:**
The candidate may be asked to appear before the Cowley County Fair Board if found in violation of breaking this agreement or behaving in any manner that is found to be unsatisfactory.

If the Cowley County Fair Board finds a candidate in violation of this agreement, the board may designate consequences as deemed appropriate.

**Statement of Agreement:**
I realize these rules and expectations may not be all inclusive, and I understand the Cowley County Fair Board reserves the right to make adjustments. If I am named as 2023 Cowley County Fair King, Queen or Court of Honor, and for any reason, I do not fulfill the duties of this position for the entire term (one year), I will forfeit the crown/medal and the sash that was awarded with this position. The crown and sash/medal will be returned to the Cowley County Fair Office within 10 days of termination of this position.

I understand the above rules and expectations. If I become 2023 Cowley County Fair King, Queen or Court of Honor, I will abide by these rules and expectations. If not, the first runner-up to the King or Queen position will become the 2023 Cowley County Fair King or Queen. I understand the above rules and expectations, and I will abide by these rules and expectations. By signing below, I certify that I am eligible to run in this competition, and that all information within my application is true.

Royalty Candidate’s Signature ________________________________ Date ______________________

As a parent or guardian, I understand the rules and consequences in this behavior and expectation agreement, accept them, and agree that my child/children will be bound by them.

Parent or guardian signature (required) __________________________ Date ______________________

Address and phone where parent or guardian may be reached:

Address ____________________________________________________

Daytime phone number __________________ Nighttime phone number __________________

This form is due July 1, 2023.