



**North Carolina Yam Festival Scholarship Pageant**

**October 16th, 2021 at South Columbus High School**

**11:00 a.m. Baby - Little Miss Division**

**5:00 p.m. Junior Miss - Queen Division**

**Entry Fee:** \$85.00 BABY MISS - LITTLE MISS

\$110.00 JUNIOR MISS- QUEEN

\*Optional Photogenic: \$25.00

**Contestants Information Meeting:** Wednesday, September 15, 2021, Tabor City Visitors Center at 5:00 -7:00 p.m. You may pick up applications and turn in applications during this time.

**Application Deadline: Wednesday, September 30, 2021**

**Divisions:**

BABY MISS: 0-12 months

JUNIOR MISS: 9-11 years

MINI MISS: 13-23 months

YOUNG MISS: 12-14 years

TINY MISS: 2-3 years

TEEN MISS: 15-17 years

PETITE MISS: 4-5 years

QUEEN: 18-23 years

LITTLE MISS: 6-8 years

## **RULES AND REQUIREMENTS**

· **BIRTHDATE**: The division the contestant is in is determined by the age the contestant will be on the evening of the pageant.

· **CONTESTANT CONTRACT**: Each contestant and parent or guardian are **REQUIRED** to sign the morality contract before competing. Contracts are included in all pageant application packets. A contestant who has been married and or has a child before or during the pageant may not compete. In the event a pageant Queen becomes pregnant out of wedlock and or decides to get married, she will be asked to relinquish her title. The first runner up in her division will be asked to fulfill the duties as Queen. No questions asked and no exceptions. We abide strictly by the morality contract of the Miss North Carolina Association pageant.

· **RESIDENCY**: NC Yam Festival Pageant is OPEN to residents of North and South Carolina

· **GRACE PERIOD**: Title holders will **NOT** be allowed to compete in another pageant until 60 days prior to relinquishing the NC Yam Festival Pageant Title on October 15, 2022. August 17 is the 60 day grace period mark. In the event The NC Yam Festival Teen and Queen honor requirements of the 60 days timeframe prior to competing in another pageant and win the title, the Queens are expected to complete their duties with the NC Yam Festival through October 16th 2022. NC Yam Festival Pageant Queen is under contract to fulfill **ALL** NC Yam Festival and Tabor City events. Appearances and requirements are listed in the contestant contract.

### · **Required Areas of Competition:**

Baby Miss - Little: Casual Wear (40%) & Beauty (60%)

Junior - Queen: Interview (40%), Talent (30%) & Beauty (30%)

**\*Opening Number\***--All Contestants are required to participate in the opening number. It is NOT a judged portion of the pageant, however it is the first impression of contestants as a group to greet the audience and judges. All contestants must wear a NC Yam Festival T-Shirt, blue jeans and shoes, No flip flops! T-shirts may be purchased at the Tabor City Public Library or during registration. Additional embellishments are allowed but not required! This is an opportunity to make a great impression and show your sense of style and creativity.

· **The Photogenic Contest** is an optional area of competition, but not required. It is open to all Contestants. An 8x10 Photo must be submitted the night of rehearsal. Additional photos can be judged for \$10.00 per photo. Photos may be in Color or Black & White. **NO HIGH GLITZ!** Photos may be touched up. Two Photogenic Awards will be given-- Baby to Little, Young to Queen.

· **Note:** NO wigs, extensions, faux teeth, and no excessive makeup etc. The judges are aware of our guidelines and the caliber of Queens we are seeking to represent our Festival and Tabor City. Judges will deduct points for those not complying with our directives and regulations.

· **Scoresheets:** All Scores are final. In our morality contract we discuss the positive atmosphere and excellent behavior of all contestants, their stylist, and families.

### **Areas of Competition Information:**

#### · **Beauty:**

Baby to Little Miss - **Sunday Dress attire with matching socks and shoes.**

*\*limit rhinestones and bling\**

Junior to Queen.- **Floor length pageant dress.** May be Glitzy. Must be age appropriate.

*\*Dresses that fit and compliment the contestant are sure to make the contestant confident.\**

#### · **Casual Wear:**

Baby to Little Miss only: Must be age appropriate, dressy, neat and stylish. No midriffs. May be custom made or off the rack. Be creative and show off the contestant's personality. Yam or Fall Themed/Colors. **(NO Halloween)**

#### · **Interview:**

Junior to Queen only: Contestants meet individually with judges. Sunday Dress attire for Junior Miss. Business Attire for Young Miss through Queen division. No pants or pant suits please.

#### · **Talent:**

Junior to Queen only: Only CDs are allowed; all music must be cued and only one song allowed on the CD. Talent CANNOT exceed **3** minutes. CD's must be marked with Contestant Name, Division and Contestant number. CD's MUST BE turned in at the beginning of rehearsal to allow the sound crew to check and prepare for the pageant. Please have a backup CD for rehearsal and the night of the pageant.

### **Awards:**

· **Division Winners:** Each division winner will receive a rhinestone round crown, embroidered satin sash, and trophy.

*\*Baby-Little contestants will receive a complimentary participation tiara\**

· **Overall Beauty:** Baby to Little, Junior to Queen - winner will receive a trophy.

- **Overall Interview**: Junior to Queen.- winner will receive a trophy.
- **Optional Photogenic**: Two trophies will be given. Baby to Little, Junior to Queen.
- **Scholarship**: ONLY Teen and Queen- Teen Miss: \$500, Queen: \$1,000. Scholarship will be received in the form of a check once the year's reign has been completed as long as all required events were attended, including NO other entry in pageants without director's permission, and conduct has exemplified the requirements set by the NC Yam Festival Pageant Committee.

### **Court Requirements and information:**

NC Yam Festival Royalty will NOT have an all-expense paid reign. The Queens will be responsible for Cars, Parade Fees, Shirts, Car Signs, Clothing etc. The Yam Festival Committee will attempt to minimize costs whenever it is possible.

### **Additional Pageant Information**

Pageant Rehearsal: Thursday, October 14th @ 6:00 p.m., South Columbus High School

- \*All Photogenic entries must be turned in by the end of rehearsal.
- \*Contestant numbers will be given out at rehearsal, no extras will be given.
- \*Programs will be distributed to the contestants.
- \*Schedule for interview appointments will be given.
- \*Contestants will receive 2 passes. May be used for parent, guardian, or hair stylist.  
Pass is required to be backstage with contestants - no exceptions!
- \*No boys or men allowed in dressing rooms.\*
- \*There will be a run-through of the pageant to allow contestants to walk the stage layout during rehearsal.
- \*Each contestant will be given a walk-through time which will be allotted for their Talent rehearsal. This is a closed session. Only the contestant, her parents, the pageant directors and approved pageant committee members will be in this closed session.
- \*Bring **two** talent accompanying CDs to rehearsal. A second copy will be given to the pageant director for the sound technician to have as a backup copy. CDs must work with our sound system.

**Pageant Day: \*TENTATIVE SCHEDULE\***

**Little Queens Pageant:** \*doors will open @ 9:00 a.m. Pageant will begin at 11:00 a.m.

**Queens Pageant:**

\*Interviews begin for Junior to Queen @ 2:00 p.m. sharp, no exceptions.  
Each contestant must be ready to interview at 2:00 p.m..

\*Pageant begins at 5:00 p.m.

\*Admission \$10.00 which includes a program.

*\*Backstage and side doors will be locked at all times! NO ENTRY or EXIT unless it is an emergency! **Contestants are not allowed in the auditorium on the day of the pageant.** Each Contestant will stay in their assigned dressing room until it is your turn to line up for the stage. There will be no peeking in the side doors that lead to the auditorium or any guests allowed backstage other than one adult with each contestant. We are to remain lady-like and quiet during the pageant. There will be no running, jumping or horseplay at any time on the campus of South Columbus Highschool or during the pageant. You will be responsible for any damage that is created by you or your party during rehearsal or the pageant. South Columbus High School has 24 hour camera surveillance in the halls, auditorium, and on the grounds. There will be **no** cameras in dressing rooms and/or restroom facilities.*

**North Carolina Yam Festival Scholarship Pageant Application:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Hair Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Eye Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Food: \_\_\_\_\_ Favorite TV Show: \_\_\_\_\_

School Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Most Admired Person and Why: \_\_\_\_\_

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Interesting Facts about Yourself: \_\_\_\_\_

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Future Goals: \_\_\_\_\_

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Why would you like to be the NC Yam Festival Queen? \_\_\_\_\_

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Sponsored By: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle** the Appropriate Pageant Entry Fee: \$85.00 / \$110.00

\*Optional\_- Photogenic Contest::

(**Circle** if entering) \$25.00 for one photo. Additional photos may be submitted at \$10 each.

Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cash: \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to: NC Yam Festival

In closing, The NC Yam Festival, The Town of Tabor City, NC Yam Festival Pageant, Directors, Staff and/or Committees are not responsible for injuries, losses, damages or accidents that may occur during the NC Yam Festival Pageant, or while traveling to and from events. I understand the Judges' decisions are final. Any act of unlady-like sportsmanship from contestants or family members will NOT be tolerated and will result in disqualification without refund. By affixing your signature to this contract you grant permission to the NC Yam Festival Pageant system the right to use any and all pictures taken prior to, during or after the event for advertising and/or marketing purposes and to allow said pictures to be posted on our website. In the event the photos are used, you will be notified. There will be a \$35.00 service charge for all returned checks. The NC Yam Festival Pageant reserves the right to refuse entry to anyone.

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Contestant Name

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Contestant Number

## **Required Events for Teen Miss and Queen**

1. NC Yam Festival Taste of Tabor: Thursday October 21, 2021, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.  
Sunnyfield Equestrian Farm. Only the Courts ticket will be provided.  
\*required for Teen, Queen, only\*
2. NC Yam Festival Parade: Saturday, October 23, 2021. Line up is at 9:00 a.m.  
Parade starts at 10:00 a.m.  
\*float provided - will wear Fall-Themed Attire\*
3. Tabor City Christmas Parade: Line up at 5:00 p.m. Thursday December 2, 2021.  
Parade begins at 6:00 p.m.  
\*car needed\*
4. Greater Tabor City Chamber of Commerce's Spring Has Sprung Festival Parade:  
Line up begins at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May TBA, 2022  
\*car needed\*
5. NC Strawberry Festival Parade & Pageant: Saturday TBA, May 2022  
\*float provided\*
6. NC Blueberry Festival Pageant
7. Columbus County Fireworks Celebration at South Columbus High School, Thursday, July 1,  
2022
8. NC Watermelon Festival Parade & Pageant: Saturday TBA August TBA, 2022  
\*car needed\*

\*\* If necessary, we will have two meetings (meet twice a year), Our best and most used form of communication will be a Queens' group text. Our Facebook page will also be available for important information. \*\*

**YOU are welcome to travel and represent and visit. You are not limited to these events.**



