

Every Miss America Starts Somewhere



Miss Illinois princess
mentoring program

In 2007, The Miss Illinois Pageant started the first ever Miss Illinois Princess Mentoring Program for young ladies ages 5-12. The purpose of this program is to mentor young ladies who have an interest in competing in the Miss Illinois Program. The current Miss Illinois Program contestants will serve as mentors to the Miss Illinois Princesses!

This is a magical experience unlike any other. Not just a pageant, but a one of a kind experience, filled with beautiful decorations, exciting prizes, and FUN!

NO makeup, NO elaborate costumes, and NO pressure! Just their sweet smiling faces and the unmistakable look and feel of childhood. Your daughter will love hanging out with her Miss, being on stage, upbeat music and twinkling lights! From Start to finish, she will laugh, play, dance, giggle, twirl, pose and make new friends.

Princess will be expected to be present in St. Charles for rehearsals and the productions on Friday and Saturday (June 17 & 18). If you are interested in participating in this program please read each document carefully and submit your packet by the deadline of May 1, 2011. When you have decided you are interested and would like to commit please e-mail Shelby Zane, director, princessprogram@missillinois.org. This way as we get closer to the event additional information can be e-mailed to you.

Additional activities as well as ticket order forms can be found on our website www.missillinois.org/princess. Please be aware that these events are NOT included in the Princess Package.

Also, please note that the Princess Package includes admission to the Miss Pageant (Friday and Saturday ONLY) for the Princess ONLY. Parents and family need to purchase tickets in order to attend. Please call the Norris Center at 630-584-7200 ext. 10. (The Illinois Scholarship Association does not handle the pageant tickets only special events tickets!)

If you have any questions, you may e-mail the Princess Program Director, Shelby Zane at princessprogram@missillinois.org

Every Princess Receives

- Miss Illinois Princess Crown
- Miss Illinois Princess T-shirt/Sash
- Luncheon and Crowning with Miss Illinois & Miss Illinois Outstanding Teen and Miss Contestants
- Dress Rehearsals—Friday/Saturday (**MANDATORY**)
- Lunch and Activity with Miss Contestants
- Personal Development Training Session with Miss Illinois 2010
- On-Stage production participation at the Miss Illinois Friday night Preliminary & Saturday production for Miss Program in June
- Goody Bag
- Detailed information regarding rehearsals, wardrobe, directions etc. will be e-mailed to each princess after May 1, 2011.

Always check the Miss Illinois website for new information and updates. If for some reason you do not receive any correspondence, information will be posted on the website and you can always use the contact above for questions or concerns.

Rules of Conduct for Miss Illinois Princess

The Rules of Conduct for Princess are the foundation upon which the images and reputation of the Miss Illinois Princess Program is being built and will continue to be the basis for its operation.

Miss Illinois Princesses will conduct themselves at all times with dignity, grace, and good manners of young women who exemplify the integrity of American youth. A Princess must observe all rules and regulations from the time of her arrival in St. Charles until her departure. She must register by the official time set and remain through checkout as determined by Pageant Staff.

Princesses will not participate in any interview, picture, press contact or any types of publicity unless a member of the Miss Illinois Princess Committee is present.

A Princess will not attend parties, meetings, and social events or make any public appearances other than at regularly scheduled events of the Miss Illinois Scholarship Pageant.

**A Miss Illinois Princess will not use Tobacco in any form.
A Miss Illinois Princess will not imbibe any Alcoholic Beverage.**

When you leave The Dellora A. Norris Arts Center in St. Charles, you must check out at the Miss Illinois Registration Station.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE "RULES OF CONDUCT FOR MISS ILLINOIS PRINCESS" AND AGREE BY THE SAME.

SIGNED: _____
Princess

SIGNED: _____
Parent or Guardian

INFRACTION OF MISS ILLINOIS PRINCESS RULES AND CONDUCT

If Princess conduct is deemed unsatisfactory by the Director of the Princess Program and by this conduct the image and good name of The Miss Illinois Pageant Princess Program is deemed to be jeopardized, the following procedure is followed:

Three Strike Rule

- 1.) Participant will be corrected (no pushing, no shoving, no talking back, etc.....)
- 2.) Participant will be advised that the Executive Director and President of the Board will be notified
- 3.) Parent will be called to pick up participant and will not be allowed to continue in the program.
(fees will not be returned)

What a Miss Illinois Princess does, where she goes, and how she conducts herself while in St. Charles for Pageant Week are all governed, to a large degree, by rules, regulations, and demanding schedules.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE "MISS ILLINOIS PRINCESS MENTORING PROGRAM INFRACTION OF RULES AND CONDUCT" INFORMATION.

SIGNED: _____
Miss Illinois Princess

SIGNED: _____

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

_____ Having a residence at _____
(Miss Illinois Princess Name) (Full Address)

_____ (Hereafter Princess)

Acknowledge (by witness of their signature below) her application to participate in the Miss Illinois Princess Mentoring Program, with rehearsals. The Miss Illinois Princess hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Miss Illinois Scholarship Association, the Pageant Committee and any other entities, which might be construed as liable from and against any and all claims for personal injuries, death, damages, cost and/or other expenses including reasonable attorney's fees arising from or in any way connected with the use of the premises, and Princess does hereby wave any right of recovery against the Miss Illinois Scholarship Association, the Pageant Committee and any other entities which might be constructed as being responsible for loss, damage, theft of such equipment, stock-in-trade, personal property, etc. This agreement is subject to termination by the Miss Illinois Scholarship Association, without advance notice or penalty at any time. This agreement is personal to the Princess and may not be transferred or assigned.

In witness whereof, this agreement has been executed as of the date indicated below.

Princess Signature _____

Dated this _____ day of _____ 20__

If Princess is under the age of 18 the parent or guardian's signature is required below.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 20__

HEALTH INFORMATION FORM

Miss Illinois Princess Mentoring Program

Please Print

Name (Princess) _____

Name (Designated Pick-Up Person) _____

Home Telephone Number: _____

Father (Office) _____ (Cell) _____

Mother (Office) _____ (Cell) _____

Phone (day of the event) _____

Physician's Name: _____

Physician's Address: _____

Physician's Telephone Number (Office) _____

List Any Allergies: (Medications, Foods, ETC.) _____

List all medications you are taking and why: _____

Any other conditions to be aware of: (Vegetarian, Hypoglycemic, ETC.) _____

Signed: (Parent or Guardian) _____

Due to HIPAA Regulations information will not be seen by anyone other than EMT and On-Staff Nurse

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Princess Checklist

Princess Name _____

Representing _____

Age _____ Height _____

FORM	SPECIAL NOTATION	√
Official Application	Signed	
Registration Fee: Cashier's Check or Money Order-ONLY	\$300.00 – Deadline May 1, 2011	
Birth Certificate	Copy Only	
Health Form	Signed	
Rules of Conduct	Signed	
Hold Harmless Agreement	Signed	
Photo	<u>Head and Shoulders Only</u> for Program Book <i>(No Crowns)</i> Please see attached Photo Requirements Page	
Miss Photogenic Photo (\$15.00) All Proceeds will go to Children's Miracle Network Participants will receive a designated pin for their entry.	Princess Photogenic Photo (4 x 6) (Head and Shoulders Only) <i>(no crowns, no makeup, no hand near the face and not a glamour shot)</i>	

Required	√
White, Ankle Length Party Dress	
Nylons or White Anklets	
Closed Toe or Peep Toe White Shoe (no sandals)	
Crowning Party Dress (any color)	
Princess T-Shirt (provided)	
Shorts (for rehearsals)	
1 Sterilite Clear 6qt or 12qt. storage box with lid, larger will not be accepted	

** Other requirements will follow, as we get closer to the event**



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PLEASE PRINT NEATLY

Name _____

Age _____ Height (inches): _____ Birthday: _____

I would like to represent:

(Miss Contestant Name) _____

(Miss Contestant Title) _____

Mailing Address:

Parent/Guardian name (s) _____

Email _____ *(all correspondence will be sent via email)*

Emergency phone number (day of event): _____

T-Shirt Size (please circle)

Child Size: S M L

Adult Size: S M L XL

DEADLINE MAY 01, 2011

By signing below I acknowledge that I have read and agree to the terms and conditions delineated above; specifically, I understand that my application fee is non-refundable for any reason nor is this application transferable.

Signed _____

Date _____

Please make payments payable to: Illinois Scholarship Association Princess Program
Certified Check or Money Order

Submit Enrollment Fee (\$300) & Paperwork to:

Shelby Zane, Director

3294 Oak knoll rd

Carpentersville, IL 60110

Email: princessprogram@missillinois.org

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FAQ

❖ What makes us different from other Pageants?

- Well, lets see..... how about everything. We are all about FUN! It's a party and a pageant all rolled into one! We're a natural Pageant, so you won't see any makeup, sexy outfits, or spray on tans. There is no mandatory competition, which means there is not a first place winners, runners up, or pressure. Everyone is a winner, and we award crowns and sashes to every contestant, so no one feels left out.

❖ Can we invite guest?

- Absolutly! We always book our events in hotels with ballrooms lage enough to accomidate our pageant participants friends and family. As long as all orders are placed a head of time. We DO NOT sell tickets at the door. Princess will be given a free ticket to our crowning luncheon only. If the princess chooses to go to any other events they must purchase a ticket as well. To purchase tickets please see the events sheet on our website www.missillinois.org/princess. (This will be updated some time around April. Please check then.)

❖ Do we have a “optional competition”?

- As a matter of fact we do. We also recognize that there are many parents who feel that competition is an essential part of growing up, and plays a vital role in raising strong, confident young women. There are both valuable lessons to be learned from both winning and losing. To those who would like to throw a little healthy competition into the mix, we offer the princess Photogenic Competition . All Proceeds will go to Children's Miracle Network, the official Platform of the Miss America Organization.

❖ How do I get the crown to stay on?

- We know for some first time princess parents this can be the hardest part of the weekend. I will walk you through step by step. First put strong hold hairspray on the top of her head. Then make a small braid down the middle of her head. Next, place the crown where you want it to go. Then use 5 metal contour clips and secure the crown in place. (The metal contour clips work best!!! However, you may use metal bobby pins. This year NO PLASTIC clips are allowed)

❖ If I forget something, is there some where I can buy it?

- Absolutly! The best part of our event being in St. Charles is there is so much close by. There is a Target and a Wal-Mart right across the street and Charleston Mall is just a block or two down the street.



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Photogenic Application

- The Optional Photogenic Competition provides additional opportunity for our contestants to be showcased. Contestants are allowed to submit multiple entries in the Optional Photogenic Competition.
- 50% will be judged by the public on the Miss Illinois website in the months closer to the pageant and 50% will be a panel of judges and a special gift will be awarded.
- Miss Illinois Princess Photogenic Competition:
 - Photos may be in color or black & white (one photo per entry) Photos that are not 4x6 will not be accepted. Headshots recommended.
 - Photos must be labeled with the name & age.
 - Photos will be judged on Beauty, Expression, and Personality.
 - Entry fee is \$15.00 per entry submitted. All proceeds will go to Children’s Miracle Network (CMN is the official Platform of the Miss America Organization and the Princess Program is now a part of the fundraising efforts) <http://missamerica4kids.com>
 - Photos will not be returned and become the property of the Miss Illinois’ Princess Program.
 - Photo must be age appropriate, nothing on face, and no glamour shots.
 - Deadline to submit photographs for the Photogenic Competition is May 1, 2011. Entries must be postmarked or delivered on or before May 1st. **Entries received after May 1, 2011 will be returned.**

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Name of Princess: _____

Age: _____ **Height:** _____ (inches)

_____ I would like to compete in the Miss Illinois’ Princess Photogenic Competition.

_____ Amount Enclosed - \$15.00 X _____ entries

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
ILLINOIS SCHOLARSHIP ASSOCIATION, INC.
MEMO: CMN

2011 Princess Photo Requirements

The following is an overview of what photos will be required for you to turn in as well as guidelines for how to submit them to Shelby Zane, Princess Director.

1. **Schedule a session with your official photographer** or trusted photographer. The photos will be used for the Miss Illinois website, program book, Judges' Book and for newspaper articles. Please ask your photographer to provide you with digital images of your professional headshots.
2. **Photo Requirements: (This is for program book photo)**
 - A. **1 - 4 x 6 Vertical B/W Headshot (NO CROWN, Hat, Bows, or props of any kind)**
 - B. **(High Resolution, 300 dpi min.)**

Directions

- 1.) **Digitally Submit All High Resolution Photos on CD-ROM or e-mailed to princessprogram@missillinois.org**
Photo requirement; use the following method to name each image:
For photo A, name it: A.jpg
(i.e. Suzie Smith is suziesmith.jpg)
- 2.) **If you have a CD: Label your CD with Princess' Name, Age and Contestant she is representing**

3. **Photo Requirements: (This is for photogenic photo)**
 - A. **1 - 4 x 6 Vertical B/W Headshot (No crown, hat, bows, hands near face or props)**
 - B. **(High Resolution, 300 dpi min.)**

Directions

- 1.) **Submit a hard copy photo**
- 2.) **Please label your hard copy photo with Princess' Name, Age and Contestant she is representing**

4. **Headshot Photo Guidelines:**
 1. Please use a **plain** background.
 2. Try to keep the style and make-up simple, clean and attractive. Keep the hair off the face so it does not hide it or cast shadows on it. Never cover the face with hair, hands, jewelry or clothing. Simple garments with clean lines photograph best.
 3. Princesses must be looking forward and the full head must be shown. Don't crop the hair or some elements of the face out of the picture.
 4. **Submitting the Digital Files:** In order to ensure that your images are publication-quality, we strongly encourage you to set your digital camera to the highest resolution possible. If you are scanning images, use your scanning software to create a high-resolution scan **300 dpi or greater!** Ideally, your images should have a pixel dimension of 1600 x 1200 or larger in JPEG format.
 5. **Please submit, NO Later than May 1st. Photos will not be accepted after that date.**

Any Questions, Please e-mail

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princessprogram@missillinois.org