



*Linn County Fair*  
Linn County's Original Fair  
Central City, Iowa  
June 27th-July 2nd  
**2012 Fair Queen Application**  
**DUE BY: May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012**  
(strongly encouraged to type this application)

**Candidate's Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Birth date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents/Guardians Names:** \_\_\_\_\_

**High School or College Activities:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4-H, FFA, or Church Activities:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Citizenship, Leadership, Community Involvement:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Special honors, Awards, Scholarships, etc. you have received:** \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

**Future Plans:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Color of formal dress:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please enclose wallet size photo.**

Please Return Application to:  
Linn County Extension Office  
Or  
Linn County Fair-Queen Contest  
PO Box 329  
Central City, IA 52214

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**2012 Fair Queen & Princess  
Expectations**

**Queen & Princess:**

- Represent the fair with a smile
- Be at Grandstand events during fair
- Welcome people to the fair
- Be visible, be seen
- Between Queen and Princess all livestock events need to be attended at some point during their event to hand out ribbons & trophies
- Be present during Static judging day (Wednesday of 2013)
- Participate in Youth day (Thursday of fair)
- Participate in Community day (Friday of fair)
- Attend livestock auction, work with Auction Committee to help where needed
- See list of 2012 Fair Events, will need to attend most events when possible
- Attend the 2012 Pie Auction held on Sunday of the fair
- Donate a pie to the Annual Pie Auction
- When not busy with other events, try and visit the Free Entertainment tent or other events around the fairgrounds
- Queen must be able to attend the Iowa State Fair to represent the Linn County Fair
- 2012 Fair Queen & Princess will need to be present at the 2013 Linn County Fair BBQ
- Will be need to try and attend parades throughout the year as Queen or Princess
- Attend events throughout the year (ie. Cattleman's Banquet, Celebration of Ag, Ag in the Park, 4-H Award Ceremony, attend a fairboard meeting, attend a 4-H clubs meeting, fair clean-up, etc.)
- 4th of July Parades in the Linn County area ie. Central City, Fairfax, etc.



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## **2012 Fair Queen Recommendations & Events**

Below is a list of recommendations when running for the Linn County Fair Queen. Also listed below are events that are expected for the contestants to attend unless other arrangements are made with the fair queen committee.

### **Recommendations:**

- Be smart in your clothing and footwear selection for all queen events.
- No use of cell phones at queen events
- No P.D.A. with significant other, remember you are a role model for your kids. They are watching you at all times!
- Be friendly and enthusiastic when representing the Linn County Fair

### **Events:**

(Mark your calendars **NOW** with these events, work is not an excuse)

- Application due **May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012** to either the Linn County Extension Office or mailed to Linn County Fair-Queen Contest PO Box 329 Central City, IA 52213. **NO APPLICATIONS** will be accepted by committee members.
- New this year-**ROCKIN' ROYALTY DAY June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012 2 pm- 8pm**: This day will consist of interviewing skills/techniques, relaxation and much more for all fair queen contestants. You will feel like a like a queen when this day comes to a close. This event is highly encouraged that you attend.
- Hiawatha Hog Wild Days Parade **Saturday June 23rd, 2012** (8:00 am in Hiawatha off of Boyson Road)
- Judging Day-**Wednesday June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012 5:00 pm** at Prairie Chapel Church in Marion, IA (1817 Prairie Chapel Road Marion, IA 52302).
- Cedar Rapids Farmers Market- **Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012** (7:00 am- 12:00 pm)
- Queen Coronation & 4-H BBQ 5:00 at the Linn County Fairgrounds-**Wednesday June 27th, 2012** (6:00 pm) Group photo following.
- 4-H Youth Council Annual Pie Auction-**Sunday July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012** (2:00pm)

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**2012 Linn County & Iowa State Fair  
Queen Competition Rules &  
Regulations**

**Linn County Rules:**

1. Contestants must never have been married or have had children
2. Each contestant must be an active member of at least one service organization in her community such as church group, Girl Scouts, 4-H, FFA, and be actively involved in/or have been actively involved with the Linn County Fair for at least 2 years
3. No professional model (one who has had ongoing employment in which modeling was the primary part of the job) is eligible to compete in the state competition.
4. She must be able to participate in the Iowa State Fair Queen pageant and be a guest of the Iowa State Fair Tuesday August 7<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup>.

**State Rules:**

1. Each contestant must be at least 16 years of age and not more than 21 years of age on Aug 9th, the first day of the 2012 Iowa State Fair.
2. Contestants must never have been married or have had children.
3. A county fair queen must reside in the county she represents or an adjoining county if the majority of her activities are in the county she represents. If a fair represents more than one county, the winning contestant must reside in one of the participating counties.
4. Each contestant must be an active member of at least one service organization in her community such as a church group, Girl Scouts, 4-H, etc. (Eligibility is not limited to 4-H membership.)
5. Each entrant in the State Fair Competition must be selected from a competitive queen contest at her county fair. If an Iowa fair does not have a contest, it may sanction another queen contest in their county as the "Official County Fair Queen Contest." The winner of this is then eligible to compete at the Iowa State Fair. Only contests sponsored by county fairs that are members of the Association of Iowa Fairs will be eligible to compete at the state level.
6. Only winners as indicated under Rule 5 are eligible to represent counties at the state pageant. In the event the county queen is unable to participate, alternates will be considered in order of selection.
7. No professional model (one who has had ongoing employment in which modeling was the primary part of the job) is eligible to compete in the state competition.
8. Any contestant who has competed at a State Fair Finals may not compete again.
9. Any county fair queen selected after the 2011 Iowa State Fair and meeting the above qualifications is eligible for the 2012 competition.
10. The Iowa State Fair will accept only one entry per county. Should there be more than one queen contest in the county, it will be the responsibility of the fairs concerned to hold an elimination contest. The only exception to this rule will be in those counties where more than one fair qualifies for membership with the Association of Iowa Fairs. In those cases, both fairs will be eligible to submit candidates for competition.
11. It is the responsibility of each contestant to make arrangements for transportation to and from Des Moines. Accommodations will be made for county queen only.
12. The county fair queens will be the guests of the Iowa State Fair Tuesday, August 7th, through the time of the crowning Saturday
13. The Iowa State Fair will provide a sash and crown for each county fair to award their queen at the county fair. This must be worn when she appears at the Iowa State Fair and is included in the \$200.00 entry fee requested with the enclosed entry blank. Entry fee for entries received after May 31 is \$250.00. **Absolutely NO entries will be accepted after June 30!**
14. County fairs are requested to select their candidates by competition in which personality, leadership, and beauty are judged.
15. A competent committee will select the "Iowa State Fair Queen". Judging comments are not available to the contestants or county representatives. Judging will be based on the following:
  - Personality, Attitude, Appearance and Awareness
  - Leadership and Citizenship - Contribution to Community
  - Overall Appearance, Charm, Poise
16. Each contestant should be prepared to appear in a variety of dress such as street dress or suit, evening dress and casual wear.
17. The winner of the state competition will be crowned "2012 Iowa State Fair Queen." The 2012 Queen will be required to remain at the Fairgrounds for the remaining time of the 2012 Fair.
18. The winner of the state competition must agree to appear for the Iowa State Fair Board in official capacities as requested throughout the year until her successor is crowned. **This includes daily appearances at the 2012 Fair and the first three days at the 2013 Fair.** The Iowa State Fair will help with food transportation expenses for these appearances.
19. If the winner cannot reign until a new queen is crowned at the 2013 Fair, she must forfeit her title and all awards associated with it to the first runner-up. She may then accept the title and awards of the first runner-up.
20. The winning contestant at the Iowa State Fair must agree to accept no other queen titles nor endorse any commercial product as "Iowa State Fair Queen" for a period of 12 months following the 2012 Iowa State Fair without the written permission of the Iowa State Fair Board.
21. The winning contestant will receive all the prizes at the time of the finals with the exception of the \$300.00 savings bond. This bond will be presented to her after the 2013 Iowa State Fair Queen is selected.
22. Should the 2012 "Iowa State Fair Queen" marry or become ineligible before the 2013 queen is crowned, she will forfeit her title, crown and rights to the scholarship award to the first runner-up. Should the first runner-up become ineligible, she will forfeit title, crown and rights to the scholarship to the second runner-up.
23. The Iowa State Fair Board reserves the right to change and interpret the foregoing rules and regulations at any time as may be deemed expedient.

ANY CHANGES TO THE ABOVE RULES AND REGULATIONS FROM THE STATE FAIR WILL BE EXPLAINED AT ORIENTATION

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