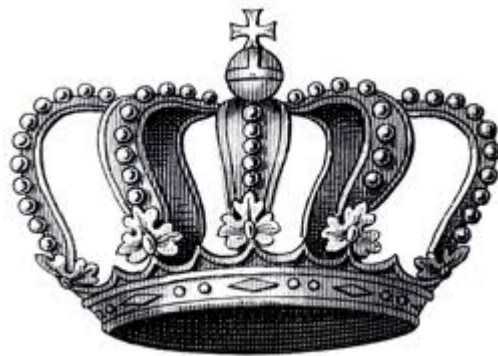




*Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair
4-H Senior Royalty Contest*



Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair 4-H Senior Royalty Contest Criteria

- ❖ Age: 15 – 19 on January 1 of current year
- ❖ Actively involved in an Isabella County 4-H club for two or more years, which may include Cloverbud years
- ❖ Not a previous Isabella County 4-H Queen or King
- ❖ Obtain a Leader Recommendation Form from an Isabella County Leader, that is not a relative
- ❖ Turn in a completed Application, Leader Recommendation Form, and Essay to the 4-H Extension Office no later than 4:00 p.m., May 9, 2014
- ❖ Complete a visual aid depicting 4-H involvement for use during an interview
- ❖ Participate in an interview on June 22, 2014

Scoring for 4-H Royalty Contest

Interview:

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| ➤ Presentation/Enthusiasm | 20 points |
| ➤ Involvement in 4-H | 30 points |
| ➤ Personality/Attitude | 20 points |
| ➤ Visual Aid | 15 points |
| ➤ Essay: | 15 points |

Total: 100 points

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Rules and Responsibilities

1. Complete all application forms legibly and follow directions carefully
2. All dates and times regarding contest application process are final
3. Fair Week Responsibilities:
 - a. Attend a minimum of three Grandstand Events, the Small Animal Auction, the Livestock Auction, Talent Show and the Awards Program
 - b. Goat Milking Contest, Dairy Hand Milking Contest, Baby Calf Parade, and Pedal Pullers Competition
 - c. Small and Large Animal Judging/ Showmanship events to pass out awards – as arranged with the group
 - d. Meet at 12:00 p.m. in the Foodstand the first Saturday of Fair Week to determine the schedule for the week
4. Post-Fair Responsibilities:
 - a. Attendance at ***all*** 4-H and Fair Banquets
 - b. Attendance at CMU Homecoming, Dickens' Lighted, and Shepherd Maple Syrup Festival Parades. School homecoming parades are encouraged but not required as they tend to overlap
 - c. Attendance at professional photo session as set by the Chairpersons
5. Representation of the 4-H Youth of Isabella County is a privilege and all youth should present themselves in a polite and respectable manner at all times
6. Certain events will require Parent/Guardian participation
7. Court attire (such as tiaras, sashes, and court member shirts) is not allowed on the Midway or while working in the Foodstand.
8. All rewards including cash prizes are dependent upon the commitment of each member. Failure to participate as required may result in forfeiture of cash prize, attire, and other court related benefits.

Helpful Hints and Information

1. Complete the entire 4-H Royalty application. The Leader Recommendation Form should be completed by a leader in Isabella County that knows you well and is not a relative. These two forms should be turned in with your type-written essay to the 4-H Extension office no later than 4:00 p.m., May 9, 2014.
2. Complete an Essay no more than three pages, typed, using Times New Roman 12 point font, one inch margins, and double spaced for easy reading by the judges (**follow these directions carefully**). The following items are suggested topics to get you started and are ***not*** required:
 - Name
 - Your first “Fair Experience”
 - Information about your club, activities, community services, fundraisers, special events, etc.
 - What else have you done in the community outside of 4-H?
 - Why 4-H is important to you
 - Some goals you may have with 4-H in the future
 - What you do at the fair
 - What “Fair Week” is all about to you
 - Why you want to be the Isabella County 4-H Fair King/Queen
 - What ideas do you have to improve the 4-H program?
3. Complete a visual aid that shows what 4-H means to you. Bring the visual aid with you to your interview on June 22. It may include pictures/brochures from 4-H events you have attended, accomplishments at the fair, or your future 4-H plans. The display should be organized, clean, creative, positive, and guide you through the interview. The sky is the limit! Show your style and take pride in it.
4. Complete an interview on June 22. Dress professionally just as you would for a job interview. Boys should wear dress slacks, belt and tucked in shirt at the very least. Dress for success and add a tie and/or jacket. Ladies you should wear a dress or skirt of appropriate length, tights or nylons, dress shoes (flip flops are a flop in an interview!) and a business jacket may put you over the top so dress for success! You will have approximately 9 minutes in which to describe/discuss your visual aid and the judges will ask you some questions. Practice with someone ahead of time and be yourself. Let the judges get a chance to know you and show them why you would be a GREAT Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair King or Queen!

REMEMBER TO HAVE FUN!

Important Dates

March, 2014: *Packets available via email from isabellaroyalty@gmail.com or from the 4-H Extension Office.*

It is highly recommended that the packets be filled out on a computer rather than handwritten. Not everyone has access to a computer so points will not be deducted for handwritten submissions.

May 9, 2014, 4:00 p.m.: *Packets Due to the 4-H Extension Office*

Deliver your completed Application (including the personal information sheet), Leader Recommendation Form, and typewritten Essay to the 4-H Extension Office.

June 22, 2014, beginning at 2:00 p.m.: *Interviews*

Each applicant will bring their visual aid to their assigned interview timeslot and meet with our judges. Interviews will be held in room 320 of the Isabella County Building.

July 6, 2014, 6:00 p.m.: *Announcement Reception*

4-H members, leaders, volunteers, and family members are invited to attend the announcement of the 2014 4-H Fair Royalty to be held at the 4-H Camp at Coldwater Lake. Refreshments will be served.

Please understand that it is the responsibility of the 4-H Royalty members to make appearances during and outside of fair week; it is a year-long commitment. Court members will attend parades, festivals, banquets, and events to help promote 4-H and The Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair. They will do service projects as determined by the royalty coordinators. If these responsibilities are not met, all monetary rewards will be forfeited.

Information is shared primarily through email from Isabellaroyalty@gmail.com. It is the responsibility of the court member to monitor the email address provided for all communications.

Your questions and concerns may also be communicated through email or by phone; Amy, (989) 954-5581 or Katherine, (989) 621-2624.

Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair 4-H Senior Royalty Contest Application

Name _____ 4-H Age _____ Years in 4-H _____

4-H activities in which you are involved:

Other community activities in which you are involved:

Why would you like to represent the Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair as 4-H King or Queen?

What goals do you have for your future in the 4-H program?

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair
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Leader Recommendation Form

Applicant's Name _____

What is your association with the applicant?

Do you feel this applicant would be a good representative of the Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair? Why?

Other Comments:

Your Name _____ Date _____

Personal Information

*This personal information sheet is for the use and records of the Isabella County 4-H Senior and Junior Royalty Contest Committee only. Judges or any other outside party will not have access to this information. Please return this sheet with the Application, Essay, and Leader Recommendation forms to the 4-H Extension Office by **May 9, 2014***

Name _____ Phone _____

Full Address _____

School _____ Grade _____

4-H Age _____ Years in 4-H _____ Birth Date _____

E-mail Address _____

4-H Club _____

Administrative Leader _____

Competing for which court? Senior Junior

Shirt Size _____ Youth/Adult (2 are provided)

Jacket Size _____ Youth/Adult (purchased by the court members)

Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) _____
