

2010 MONTGOMERY COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIR ROYALTY COMPETITION

ELIGIBILITY

1. To be eligible, you must be between 14 and 18 years old as of January 1, 2010 and one of the following: a member of Montgomery County 4-H, a member of a Montgomery County Agricultural Organization, or a Montgomery County Agricultural Center (MCAC) Volunteer.
2. Submit the attached application (**must be typed**), with **three (3) wallet size photo**, to the Fair office **postmarked NO LATER THAN MARCH 31, 2010**. (Late applications will be penalized).
3. No more than 10 court members will be selected from the royalty applicants. From those members, a King, Queen, First Prince and First Princess will be named during a fair coronation ceremony.
4. Be prepared to participate in various assigned activities during the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair (MCAF). Be prepared to represent the MCAC at Ag center and community functions throughout the 2010-2011 year and until the date your successor (if chosen as King or Queen) is crowned.
5. If selected as First Prince or Princess, be prepared to represent the MCAC/MCAF in the absence of the King or Queen.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

DUTIES: To serve as hosts during the MCAF and MCAC throughout the 2010-2011 year, such as the Annual Meeting in March, community events, library and nursery school visits, etc. An extensive schedule of activities during the Fair, August 13-21, 2010, will be given to each court member. This schedule will include, but is not limited to, presentation of awards during animal shows, luncheons, breakfasts, media interviews, entertainment functions and walk-around. Court members may be asked to speak for various community and civic organizations throughout the off-season. Court members who do not fulfill their court obligations will have their scholarships reduced.

RESPONSIBILITIES: To represent the MCAC/MCAF throughout the year as assigned. All members of the Royalty are expected to conduct themselves in a proper manner when representing the MCAF and MCAC at all times. This includes proper manners and appearance. First Prince and Princess will be expected to represent the MCAC/MCAF in the absence of the King or Queen.

SELECTION PROCESS

A panel of impartial judges will select court members based on scores that are 50 percent application and 50 percent interview. Interview judging will be held on Sunday, April 18, 2010. Contestants are required to contact Fran Herzog at the fair office at (301) 926-3100 x-202, to schedule your ten-minute interview. **Be prepared to make a two-minute introduction of yourself or the fair as part of your interview.** A fact sheet on the fair will be given when you confirm your interview and contestants should become familiar with this information.

The field of contestants will be narrowed to ten finalists. These finalists will make up the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair Royal Court. Contestants will be notified by mail by June 1 as to the outcome of the contest. The King, Queen and First Prince and Princess will be announced during the coronation ceremony, Sunday, August 15, 2010 at 7 p.m. at Racing Park.

AWARDS/PRIZES

Queen will receive a tiara, sash and a cash stipend. \$400.00
King will receive a medallion and a cash stipend. \$400.00
First Princess will receive a sash and a cash stipend. \$250.00
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Remaining royalty will receive a sash or medallion and a cash stipend. \$200.00