



Little Miss Autumn XLIII (43), Autumn Princess, Jr Miss Autumn

Official Pageant Registration, Information & Regulations 2023

PAGEANT DIRECTOR:

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REHEARSAL & PAGEANT LOCATION:

Winnsboro Junior High School (old high school)

PAGEANT CATEGORIES *(Each category must have a minimum of 5 contestants for the category to make)*

Little Miss Autumn (LMA)	(4-6 years on Sept. 24th)	Escort is required
Autumn Princess (AP)	(7-9 years on Sept. 24th)	No Escort
Junior Miss Autumn (JMA)	(10-13 years on Sept. 24th)	No Escort

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 8/27/23** 2:00pm - 3:00pm - Practice for Little Miss Autumn & Escorts
3:00pm - 4:00pm - Practice for Autumn Princess and Junior Miss Autumn
- 9/3/23** No practice. Have a safe and great Labor Day weekend!
- 9/6/23** Non-refundable \$150 entry fee is due from ALL age groups and completed Contestant Entry Form (pg 4)
Please bring both to Autumn Trails building with payment in a labeled envelope no later than 3pm.
- 9/10/23** 2:00pm - 3:00pm - Practice for Little Miss Autumn & Escorts
3:00pm - 4:00pm - Practice for Autumn Princess and Junior Miss Autumn
Contestant Biography is due from ALL contestants (pg 5).
- 9/17/23** 2:00pm - 3:00pm - Practice for Little Miss Autumn & Escorts
3:00pm - Group contestant photos will be taken.
3:00pm - 4:00pm - Practice for Autumn Princess and Junior Miss Autumn
3:30pm - Escort Tuxedo fitting
Framed 5" x 7" head shot is due.
- 9/24/23** 2:00pm - 3:00pm - Practice for Little Miss Autumn & Escorts
3:00pm - 4:00pm - Practice for Autumn Princess and Junior Miss Autumn
All contestant parents must sign off on printed information in the program.
- 10/1/23** 2:00pm - 3:00pm - Practice for Little Miss Autumn & Escorts
3:00pm - 4:00pm - Practice for Autumn Princess and Junior Miss Autumn
All ticket sale money is due. Additional tickets cannot be purchased from contestants after this date.
Tickets will be available at the door on the date of the pageant.
- 10/2/23** 6:00pm - 8:00pm - Mandatory Dress Rehearsal for all Contestants & Escorts
- 10/7/23** Little Miss Autumn XLIII, Autumn Princess & Junior Miss Autumn Pageant

Alyssa Mitchell is the designated Autumn Trails Pageant photographer. Please contact her directly at 903-975-2778 to schedule your required headshots. These headshots will be used for the program, Facebook and WATA website.

OFFICIAL PAGEANT REGISTRATION, INFORMATION & REGULATIONS



The Autumn Trails Pageant is an independent pageant not affiliated or associated with any other pageant system hosted by the Winnsboro Autumn Trails Association. This is **NOT** a scholarship pageant for Little Miss Autumn, Autumn Princess or Junior Miss Autumn. The objective of this pageant is to provide a building block on which to enhance the development of the character and personality of each child involved. We hope to instill a positive attitude by helping to improve each child's confidence, poise, and self-esteem. As a parent, you can add to this by maintaining a good attitude and by encouraging your daughter throughout the pageant activities.

Contestants must be a WISD resident, WISD home owner, and/or WISD student. Winnsboro Autumn Trail Board of Directors reserve the right to change these terms and conditions at any time in order to accommodate pageant needs.

A minimum of 5 contestants is required to make each pageant category / age division.

1. Each contestant must submit \$150 non-refundable entry fee and completed Contestant Entry Form to the Winnsboro Autumn Trails Association no later than 3:00pm on or before **Wednesday, September 6, 2023.**
2. Ticket Sales: All contestants will receive 10 tickets upon submitting their non-refundable entry fee and contestant entry form. All tickets must be sold and all ticket money must be turned in on or before the following date: **Sunday, October 1, 2023.** More tickets can be picked up as they are needed until that date.
3. Escort will receive 1 complementary seat for themselves.
4. Little Miss Autumn Contestants will need an escort to escort her on and off stage during the party dress competition. The escort may be a brother, cousin, friend, father. All escorts will be asked to wear a tuxedo (choice of color optional) suit, tux/jacket with nice jeans/slacks. It will be the contestant's responsibility to inform her escort of escort duties. **PLEASE INFORM THE ESCORT'S PARENTS OF ALL ESCORT DUTIES INCLUDING ATTENDING AT SPECIFIC PRACTICES AND AT PICTURES, AS WELL AS PARTICIPATION IN AN ON-STAGE INTERVIEW DURING THE PAGEANT.**
5. Contestant numbers are pre-assigned and will not be changed.
6. Attendance at Dress Rehearsal is **MANDATORY** (unless approved by the pageant director).
7. Contestants are permitted to have **ONLY ONE** person assisting them in the dressing room other than parent. **OTHER THAN CONTESTANTS, NO OTHER CHILDREN IN BAND HALL OR CAFETERIA, PLEASE.**
8. The contestant's hair may be fixed any way you wish. If makeup is worn, wear age appropriate amount of makeup.
9. No props are allowed during modeling.
10. Contestants must be ready when their category is called to the stage. Contestants who are not ready will forfeit their opportunity to model and will not be given a score for the missed portion of the competition.
11. All title winners must stay for the entire event to pose for pictures.
12. Personal Introduction: Contestant introduces herself, including name and age in introduction. This is great training for the contestants to communicate, how to stand in a poised natural stance, and also helps each contestant learn to hold the microphone properly. They can write it down and practice at home -this will help them be a little more confident!
13. Contestant Responsibilities: Opening number outfit, three (3) headshots, photogenic photo of your choosing, inexpensive simple black 5" x 7" picture frame, casual wear outfit, party/formal dress, and sale of 10 pageant tickets. Little Miss Autumn contestants are also responsible for her escort's tuxedo.

SCORING

Contestants will be judged in seven (7) categories for the title. Each of these seven categories is based on a ten-point judging scale. In the event of a tie, the award will go to the girl with the highest interview score. If the score is still tied, the judges will break the tie. The decision of the judges is final.

The pageant director provides a panel of out of town, impartial judges. Their identities are held confidential until the day of the pageant. The judges make all decisions for titles and trophies (except Miss Congeniality), and their decisions are final. Winnsboro Autumn Trails Board of Directors have no say in the judges' decision. Outside, impartial tabulators will be brought in to tabulate the scores.

30% - Interview: LMA, AP, and JMA contestants will be interviewed earlier in the day by the judges based on the information received on their "Biography" page.

10% - Casual wear (Purchased off the rack): This is judged the night of the pageant for ALL contestants. Casual wear can include anything from pantsuits, shorts, dress, and should be age appropriate. No costumes or props.

10% - Party/Formal Dress: - This is judged the night of the pageant for ALL contestants.

- **Little Miss** (Ages 4-6)-Party dress is an age appropriate dress of your choice, usually short, which best expresses your idea of a party dress. These dresses can be any style, but are usually frilly. The degree of frill, style, fabric and color is your choice. Ankle socks with lace trim and dress shoes of your choice are worn to complete the outfit.
- **Autumn Princess** (Ages 7-9)- Age appropriate short formal, or long pageant dress your choice.
- **Junior Miss Autumn** (Ages 10-13) - Age appropriate short formal, or long pageant dress of your choice.

10% - On Stage Question: This is judged the night of the pageant for ALL contestants. The emcee will conduct the interview on stage for LMA, AP and JMA contestants.

10% - Photogenic: This will be judged during the interview portion of the pageant for all contestants. Contestants are required to provide a **recent** framed 5x7 head shot photo which may be either color or black and white. Photos must be a head shot (chest up) in a PORTRAIT (vertical) layout only. Do not use landscape (horizontal) format. Please use an inexpensive plain black 5x7 frame. It is the contestant's responsibility to pick up their photos at the conclusion of the pageant.

10% - Best Hair: - This will be judged during the interview portion of the pageant for all contestants.

10% - Best Eyes: - This will be judged during the interview portion of the pageant for all contestants.

10% - Best Smile: - This will be judged during the interview portion of the pageant for all contestants.

Congeniality competition is the only category judged by the members of Winnsboro Autumn Trails Association, Pageant Directors and contestants. Entry in the pageant is the only requirement for "Miss Congeniality." The award is based on the contestant's behavior and attitude throughout the rehearsal process including the dress rehearsal. No points are tied to this award.



JUDGES WILL BE LOOKING FOR:

- **CASUAL WEAR:** Smile and eye contact, modeling and poise, choice of outfit, and overall appearance.
- **PARTY/FORMAL DRESS:** Smile and eye contact, modeling and poise, choice of outfit, and overall appearance.
- **ON-STAGE QUESTION:** Smile and eye contact, on stage projection, choice of outfit, overall appearance, and ability to respond to questions.
- **INTERVIEW:** Facial expressions, ability to respond to questions, manners, and overall personality.
- **PHOTOGENIC:** Visual appearance (smile, the sparkle in their eyes), expressiveness, natural age appropriateness, and quality of photo. No full body shots – photos must be from chest up and in portrait layout, not a landscape layout. Pictures must be natural and completely unedited.

AWARDS

1. Queen (receives a crown, trophy and banner)
2. First runner UP and other runners up (receives a trophy)
3. Best Party/Formal Dress (receives a trophy)
4. Best Causal Wear (receives a trophy)
5. Best Eyes (receives a trophy)
6. Best Hair (receives a trophy)
7. Best Smile (receives a trophy)
8. Best Interview (receives a trophy)
9. Best On-Stage Question (receives a trophy)
10. Most Ticket Sales (receives a trophy)
11. Miss Congeniality (receives a trophy)
12. Participant's trophy goes to each contestant

DUTIES OF LITTLE MISS AUTUMN, AUTUMN PRINCESS AND JUNIOR MISS AUTUMN

The duties of the Little Miss Autumn, Autumn Princess, and Junior Miss Autumn Winner include making appearances (wearing her crown and banner) at the Antique Car Rally, Craft Show, Trail Ride, Parade and Rodeo during the Autumn Trail festivities. She will also ride in the Christmas Parade, Chamber Banquet and possibly other events not yet scheduled. As this year's winner, she will crown and assist in the presentation of trophies at next year's pageant of the next Little Miss Autumn, Autumn Princes, and Junior Miss Autumn.

***A more detailed itinerary will be given to contestant winners following pageant.**





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Contestant Entry Form

Please type or print clearly using **BLACK** ink only
DO NOT USE RED INK.
Information will be printed the program exactly as it is written.

Contestant # _____

CONTESTANT INFORMATION

Contestant's name: _____

Parent/Guardian's name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Contestants Age: _____ *as of pageant date Saturday, 10/7/23*

Contestant's grade: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Alternate Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

ESCORT INFORMATION

Escort's Name: _____ Age: _____

Escort's Parents/Guardians Name: _____

BACKSTAGE INFORMATION:

Contestant Assistant: _____

NON-REFUNDABLE ENTRY FEE AND CONTESTANT ENTRY FORM must be turned in to the Winnsboro Autumn Trails office by 3:00pm on or before WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2023. Winnsboro Autumn Trails 115 W. Elm Street, Winnsboro, Tx 75494

Make checks payable to: Winnsboro Autumn Trails Association CHECK # _____ CASH _____

Ticket Sales: All contestants will receive 10 tickets – all tickets must be sold.

PAGEANT PROGRAM PROOFING (Please initial the appropriate space below)

_____ I have viewed the proof of the pageant program and approve it for publishing.

_____ I have viewed the proof of the pageant program and found the following items are incorrect:

Please type or print clearly using
BLACK ink only
DO NOT USE RED INK.
Judges read directly from your
handwriting for interview.



Contestant # _____

CONTESTANT BIOGRAPHY

Information will be used to conduct Interview and read during Casual Wear & Party/Formal Dress

NAME: _____ GRADE: _____

AGE: _____ as of pageant date Saturday October 7, 2023

PARENTS/GUARDIAN NAME: _____

EYE COLOR: _____ HAIR COLOR: _____ FAVORITE COLOR: _____

SIBLINGS: _____

WHEN I GROW UP, I WANT TO BE: _____

FAVORITE TV SHOW/MOVIE: _____

FAVORITE PAST TIME/TOY/ACTIVITY/PET: _____

School activities/Sports/Interests/Family time: _____

Favorite Autumn Trails event is: _____

Because: _____

Favorite part of pageant: _____

What do you like most about yourself or what qualities do you look for in a friend? _____

ESCORTED BY: _____ AGE: _____

SON OF: _____

Provide in this section a familiar topic/interest/activity that the contestant will be able to discuss with MC or judges



Queen Autumn Trails Liability and Media Release Form

Contestant Name: _____

I, _____, (please print) as parent or legal guardian of a queen contestant grant permission to Winnsboro Autumn Trails Association and Little Miss Autumn, Autumn Princess, Junior Miss Autumn Pageant, its agents and employees the irrevocable and unrestricted right to reproduce the photographs and/or video images taken of me, or members of my family, for the purpose of publication, promotion, illustration, advertising, or trade, in any manner or in any medium. I hereby release Winnsboro Autumn Trails Association and Little Miss Autumn, Autumn Princess, Junior Miss Autumn Pageant, and its legal representatives for all claims and liability relating to said images or video. Furthermore, I grant permission to use my statements that were given during an interview with or without my name, for the purpose of advertising and publicity without restriction. I waive my right to any compensation.

I acknowledge that I am the parent or legal guardian of the following:

Parent or Legal Guardian Name(s): _____ (Please Print)

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____