

Dear Contestant and Parent(s),

Welcome to the Miss America Scholarship Organization! We are excited that you are interested in learning more about our organization. We hope that after reviewing this packet, you will have the answers to your questions and the desire to join us as a contestant in our Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant. You could be our Miss Harvest Homecoming 2017!

The Miss America Organization is one of the nation's leading achievement programs and the world's largest provider of scholarship assistance for young women. Last year, the Miss America Organization, and its state and local organizations, made available more than \$45 million in cash and scholarship assistance. This assistance is not just for the handful of young women who become Miss America, but is available to the over 12,000 young women who compete in the state and local competitions as well.

We are serving this program because we believe in the Miss America Organization. Many of us have benefited from the program and acknowledge the impact it has made in our lives. We hope that you will consider participating with an open mind, putting aside any preconceived notions you might have about what a pageant is.

Miss America, and its preliminary scholarship pageants, are not beauty pageants. The Miss America Organization prides itself on its focus of intelligence, talent, community service, and character. The interview, on-stage question and talent competition make up 65% of the overall score. This is the foundation of our **scholarship** program.

We look forward to working with you in the 2017 Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant. Please read over ALL paperwork, and the contestant contract, for eligibility requirements and pageant dates/times. It is important that you understand all rules and requirements. I have enclosed last year's festival appearance schedule, and the schedule from the Miss Indiana pageant, to give you an idea of your time commitment during the 2017 Harvest Homecoming Festival and state pageant in June 2018.

Thank you for your interest in our program. We look forward to seeing you as a contestant this year!!

Sincerely,

Cara Lawson
Executive Director
Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageants

Please contact Cara Lawson at missdirector@missharvesthomecoming.com or (502) 299-6414 with any questions.

Miss Harvest Homecoming Information

All rehearsals, run-throughs, etc. are closed to the public, including parents.

All required paperwork and advertisements are due on July 15, 2017

- ❑ Miss contestants must be 17 and a graduating senior (unless 16 and graduating early) and no older than 24 by December 31st 2018.
- ❑ Queen advances to Miss Indiana Pageant in June 2018. Please see sample appearance schedule for further details.
- ❑ Queen is required to ride in Harvest Homecoming Parade and make appearances during the festival and to promote her platform during her year of service. Please see sample appearance schedule for further details.
- ❑ All prize money must be used for scholarship purposes only.
- ❑ All prize money must be requested within one (1) year of date awarded title.
- ❑ If the Queen is unable to fulfill all obligations, she must forfeit all prizes, gifts and title to her successor.
- ❑ Contestant may not hold the title of Miss Harvest Homecoming more than two times.
- ❑ Please see contract for further eligibility requirements.

Miss Harvest Homecoming 2017 will receive a \$3000 scholarship, crown, crown pin, plaque, flowers, sash, and portrait, will participate in activities during the festival, and compete in the Miss Indiana Scholarship Pageant in June of 2018.

The First Runner-up will receive a \$1000 scholarship, plaque, flowers, and compete in the Indiana State Festival Pageant in November 2016.

The Second Runner-up will receive an \$800 scholarship, plaque, flowers.

All contestants will compete in the following categories:

Interview – 25%

On-Stage Question – 5%

Talent – 35%

Evening Wear – 20%

Lifestyle and Fitness in Swimsuit – 15%

July 15, 2017

9:00a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Paperwork Drop-off, Contestant Meet-and-Greet, Workshop: interview skills, hair and makeup tips. Be sure to bring all items on the Contestant Checklist included in this packet. Location Harvest Homecoming Office. 431 Pearl Street, New Albany, IN

*Please come with hair and makeup done as we may be taking pictures for the local paper. Attire is dressy casual. Each contestant will need to bring a headshot to this event. Headshot must be a color, 5x7 print. Contestants should bring a hard copy to the meeting as well as email a copy to Cara at missdirector@missharvesthomecoming.com. ALL ADS AND PAPERWORK ARE DUE!

July 22, 2017

**10:00-6:00 p.m. Optional mock interview. Harvest Homecoming Office (time subject to change)
Please dress in full interview attire.**

August 3, 2017

6:00 – 9:30 p.m. Rehearsal at TBD. Bring \$25 for opening number t-shirt. Dress comfortably. Bring your shoes for evening gown, swimsuit, and opening number. Dress comfortably.

August 5, 2017

9:30 a.m. Arrive at FCHS and put wardrobe in dressing room
9:45 a.m. Contestants Ready and on stage for rehearsal/Preteen and princess arrival
10:00a.m. Run through Preteen/Princess number/Crowning/Group photo
11:00 a.m. Lunch with Princesses/Pre-teens
11:45 a.m. Princesses excused/Miss and Teen ready for rehearsal
12:00 p.m. Teens/Miss Run Show
2:00 p.m. Teen Interviews Start/Miss Talent Rehearsal
3:30 p.m. Miss Interviews Start/Teen Talent Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. Dinner
6:00 p.m. Doors open
6:30 p.m. Pageant starts
(times subject to change)

***Contestants must remain at Floyd Central High School all day for security purposes. ONE parent/guardian may come with you to help move items in and out of the dressing room upon arrival and leaving for the day. ONLY female parents/guardians will be allowed in the dressing rooms.

Tickets will be available at the door the evening of the pageant. Ticket prices are \$10 Adults and \$5 students, children 3-12 and senior citizens. Children 2 and under are free. All people attending must purchase a ticket to watch the pageant.

August 6, 2017

9:00a.m.-4:00 p.m. New Queens' photo shoot. & location TBD

2017 Miss Harvest Homecoming Program Book Advertising

Don't miss your opportunity to place an ad in the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageants Souvenir Program Book.

Discount Price for Family and Contestants:

Full Page: \$100 (\$500 value)

Half Page: \$50.00 (\$250 value)

You may use any combination to meet your full page ad requirement. You also have the option of selling business cards. Ten cards sold make one full page!

Business Card: \$10.00 each

For Photos and Business Cards:

- Photos for full page ads should be 8x10 at 300dpi black and white
- Business Cards should be scanned separately at 300dpi and placed in the ad spaced equally. Business Card size can also be a personal message from a family member or friend.
- Any images that are not high-resolution will appear blurry when printed.

All ads submitted must be **PRINT READY**.

Accepted File Formats:

- Print-ready Adobe PDF
- TIFF or JPEG (at least 300dpi)
- All artwork should be saved at a high-resolution

Ad Specifications:

Miss Harvest Homecoming's program book is one color (black and white). Color cannot be used.

Paper is high quality

Full Page

- Page size: 8.5 x 11
- Size with bleeds: 9 x 11.5 (.25" bleed)
- Safe type area: 7.5 x 10

(If bleeds are not prepared correctly, they will not bleed to the edge of the page.)

Half Page: Ad size: 8 x 5.125 and will not bleed.

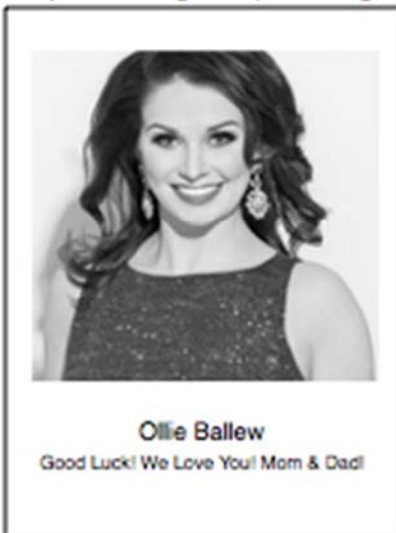
Fonts: All fonts should be embedded in to the files that are submitted.

Media: Ad will be accepted on CD or by email if they are smaller than 8MB. Email to Jeff Finn at jfynn@harvesthomecoming.com. Be sure to include your **NAME**, and **WHICH PAGEANT** you're in, in the email so the ad can be applied to you.

Ads submitted after the July 16th deadline not be in the program book!!!!

If you need help designing an ad page, please visit www.pageantdesignsolutions.com. They make beautiful ad pages for a wonderful price!!!! Please let them know Harvest Homecoming Pageant referred you.

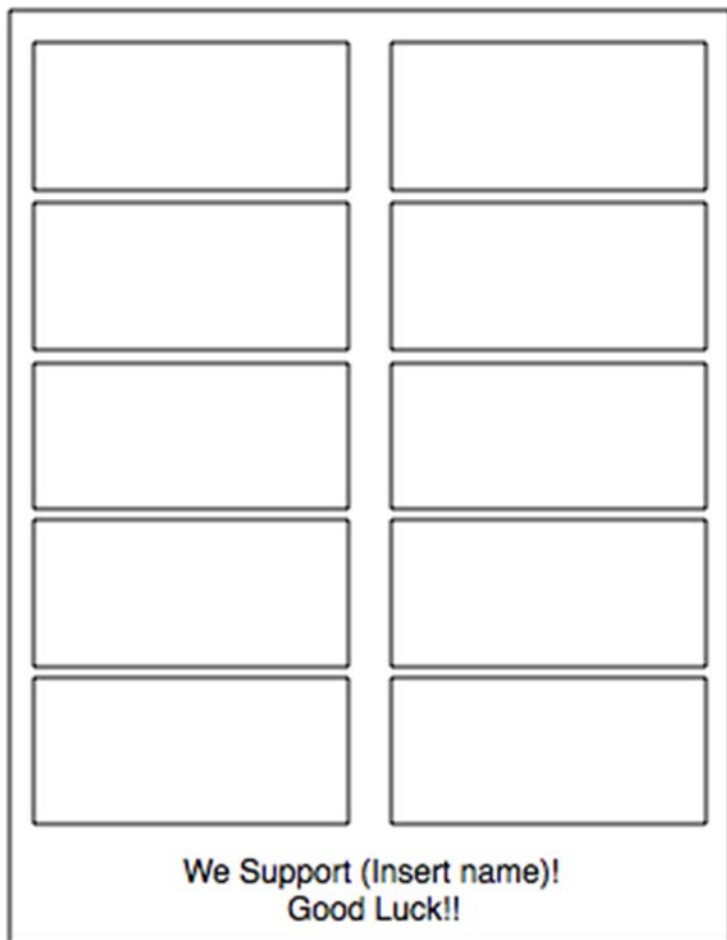
Sample Full Page Ad (1/2" margins)



Sample Half Page Ad (1/2" margins)



Sample Business Card Page Ad (1/2" margins)





This checklist is provided to assist you in tracking forms due to the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageants. The following forms are due at Meet and Greet on July 15th and should be ***in the order listed below***. Place items in a folder with pockets. Place a *clean copy of this checklist* on top of the *right pocket* when finished.

Name _____

Check	Item and Notes	Location in folder
	Contestant Resume (follow formatting instructions in this packet)	Right Pocket
	Contestant Platform Statement (follow formatting instructions in this packet. Don't forget signature!)	Right Pocket
	Contestant Contract (A and B are in contract) — <i>requires notary</i>	Right Pocket
	Supplemental Fact Sheet (Attachment A)	Right Pocket
	Medical Information (Attachment B)	Right Pocket
	Local Rules and Regulations (Attachment C)	Right Pocket
	Local Titleholder's Year of Service (Attachment D)	Right Pocket
	Scholarship Usage Agreement (Attachment E)	Right Pocket
	Pageant Requirements/Festival Commitment (Attachment F)	Right Pocket
	90 second cut of Talent music on thumb drive or CD (label with name and song title)	Left Pocket
	5x7 Color Headshot (and email high resolution to missdirector@missharvesthomecoming.com)	Left Pocket
	Contact Information Page	Left Pocket
	Talent Information sheet (with full contestant introduction completed)	Left Pocket
	Copy of Birth Certificate- COPY. Will not be returned	Left Pocket
	Proof of Residence (i.e. Copy of Drivers License)	Left Pocket
	Advertisement page (see advertising page in packet for details)	Left Pocket

Children's Miracle Network

All Miss Harvest Homecoming contestants must raise a minimum of \$100 for the Children's Miracle Network, which is the national platform of the Miss America organization. Please follow these steps while raising money for the Children's Miracle Network:

1. Visit www.missamericaforkids.org
2. *If you are a new contestant, select the link "New Contestants Click Here" and create a profile page. Once you're registered, you will see all of the available pageants in the state of Indiana. Choose our pageant. Once chosen, you will see all of the options to customize your fundraising page. If you are a returning contestant, select the "Returning Contestants" link and update your profile page.*
3. *Send emails to family members, friends, and local business! They can submit online donations that will immediately be reflected on your Miss America 4 Kids Profile Page!*
4. *Once you have raised your \$100 print your Qualification Report off of your profile page and bring it with you to rehearsals or the day of the pageant. No money will be collected at the pageant. All money must be raised before pageant day. Failure to do so will result in not being qualified to compete.*

Here are some ideas for collecting donations: START EARLY!!!! DON'T WAIT!!!

- ❖ Ask ten people for \$10.00
- ❖ Ask four people for \$25.00
- ❖ Find four business that will donate \$25.00
- ❖ Ask your parents or family members to make a tax deductible donation
- ❖ Ask your workplace to sponsor you by making a tax deductible donation
- ❖ Be creative, hold a fundraising event!
- ❖ Have a "send-off" party where your family and friends gather to view your competition wardrobe and talent before the Harvest Homecoming pageant. Ask them to support you by donating to the Children's Miracle Network.
- ❖ Ask the businesses that you frequently support to support you! (Favorite restaurants, your bank, recreation centers, photo studio, tanning salons, hair salons, etc)

Don't let the \$100 Children's Miracle Network Donation deter you from participating in the pageant! You would be surprised how quickly you can earn \$100 for a worthy cause! If you are having trouble raising the money please contact Cara Lawson at 502-299-6414 or email her at missdirector@missharvesthomecoming.com for additional suggestions. It's always great to give back to our community. Service is one of the four points of the Miss America crown! This money is due by August 5, 2017.

Contact Information Sheet

(may be handwritten)

MISS HARVEST HOMECOMING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Name _____ Age _____ Birth Date ____/____/____

Address _____

City, State

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Your Home COUNTY where your home/parents' address is)- _____

Parents' Names _____

Parents' Address _____

Parents' Home Phone _____

Parents' Cell Phone _____

Mother's email address _____

Father's email address _____

Platform _____

Talent _____

Title of Accompaniment Music/Music Used _____

College Attended _____ Major _____

High School Attended _____

2017 Instructions for Completing the Local Contestant's Resume

This is your opportunity to demonstrate to the state judges why they should consider you for the job of Miss Harvest Homecoming. You may list as many or as few items under each category as you desire. Your only restriction is that it must follow the established format and it must fit on one (1) page. This page, combined with the Platform Statement, will comprise your entire application for this job. The judges will receive exactly what is submitted.

Any item submitted that does not fit the established criteria will be returned for correction only once. Any item, which does not meet the criteria or is submitted after the deadline, will not be given to the judges. If your resume arrives on the day of the deadline, and does not meet the criteria, there will not be time to return it to you; therefore, it will not be given to the judges. If she chooses, a contestant may explain the lack of judging materials during her interview.

1. Create a "New" document with your computer's Word program.
2. Set margins for 1" on all four sides. The font style may not be any smaller than "10" and no larger than "12" point type, using the Times New Roman font style. Please refer to the attached sample to verify you are following the requested format.
3. With the justification set for left, type "**Name:**" in bold. Following the colon (:), hit the space bar twice. Then, type your name as you wish the judges to know it. (If your name is LaCricia Deborah Smith and you want to be known as "Deborah Smith", please type "Deborah Smith").
4. Then, move to the next line and type "**Title:**" in bold. Following the colon (:), hit the space bar twice. Then, type Miss Harvest Homecoming.
5. Then, move to the next line and type "**Hometown:**" in bold. Following the colon (:), hit the space bar once. Then, type your hometown including the city and the state.
6. Move to the next line. Now set your justification to the right. Type "**Date of Birth:**" in bold. Hit the space bar two (2) times, and type the month, day, and year of your birth. (Ex. October 10, 1989)
7. Move Justification to the left. Double space down and type "**Education:**" in bold. Hit the tab bar three times and then type your most recent school first. If it is grad school, indicate it as such. List degree seeking (all on the same line as the name of the school), move to the line underneath that to list your undergraduate school and degree sought/achieved, and below that list your high school.
8. Double space down. Hit the tab bar once. Type "**Platform Issue:**" in bold. Hit the tab bar three times. Type the TITLE of your platform, MAKE SURE IT LINES UP WITH THE INFORMATION ABOVE IT. DO NOT TYPE ANYTHING OTHER THAN THE TITLE.
9. Double space down. Hit the tab bar once. Type "**Scholastic/Career Ambition:**" in bold. Hit the Tab bar once, MAKE SURE IT LINES UP WITH THE OTHERS ABOVE IT. Then type the type of degree/education you would ultimately like to achieve and beneath that, list your career ambition.
10. Double space down. Hit the tab bar once. Type "**Talent:**" in bold. Hit the tab bar three times. Type the type of talent and specific selection. MAKE SURE IT LINES UP WITH THE INFORMATION ABOVE IT. (i.e. Pop Vocal - "Crying", Tap Dance - "Staying Alive", etc.)
11. Double space down. Type "**Scholastic Honors:**" in bold. Hit the space bar twice. Each item should be separated by a semi-colon (;).
12. Double space down. Type "**Leadership Roles:**" in bold. Hit the space bar twice. Each item should be separated by a semi-colon (;).
13. Double space down. Type "**Accomplishments:**" in bold. Hit the space bar twice. Each item should be separated by a semi-colon (;).

14. Double space down. Type **“Interesting Facts:” in bold**. Hit the space bar twice. Each item should be separated by a semi-colon (;).
15. Double space down. Type **“Employment:” in bold**. Hit the space bar twice. Each item should be separated by a semi-colon (;).
16. Double space down. Type **“How has the world you come from shaped your dreams and aspirations?” in bold**. Hit the space bar twice. Please answer the question in sentence form.
17. Double space down. Type **“Of all the ways you could succeed in your life, why have you chosen to succeed in the Miss Harvest Homecoming Pageant?” in bold**. Hit the space bar twice. Please answer the question in sentence form.
18. Double Space down. Type **“What social issue, other than your platform, will have the greatest impact on your generation and why?” in bold**. Hit the space bar twice. Please answer the question in sentence form.

**The entire form MUST FIT ON ONE (1) PAGE using the Times New Roman font style. You must leave a 1" margin on all four sides of the page.
If spacing issues arise, simply follow the example provided.**

Use your best judgment on what is most important for the judges to know about you. Use the space wisely. Attached is an example of what the Resume should look like.

This form is given to the judges with your platform statement. You will notice there is a **REQUIRED SIGNATURE LINE** at the bottom of the Platform Statement. When these two pages are put together, they will create your entire application. Your signature covers the materials listed **ON BOTH PAGES**. Your signature verifies that everything on your forms is true and accurate. If it is proven that any information on these forms is not true, correct and factual, you risk disqualification from competing in the national competition and losing your local/state title.

DUE AT THE MEET & GREET ON JULY 15, 2017

SAMPLE

Name: Jane Smith
Title: Miss Local
Hometown: Anytown, Indiana

Date of Birth: December 29, 1989

Education: University of State – sophomore – Bachelor of Science, Liberal Arts
Frederick Douglass High School

Platform Issue: Celebrating Cultural Diversity and Inclusiveness

Scholastic/Career Ambition: Obtain a Masters of Business Administration

Talent: Pop Vocal / “Fallen”

Scholastic Honors: Recipient of National Coca-Cola Scholarship; Recipient of the Metropolitan Urban League National Scholarship; Dean’s List; Member of the President’s Leadership Council at the University

Leadership Roles: Created and implemented a comprehensive Cultural Diversity Education Curriculum for grades K-12 in twelve Public Schools; University Student Body Senator; H.S. Sr. Class Pres.; College Sorority President.

Accomplishments: Recipient of the J.C. Penney Golden Rule Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service to Community; Recipient of the National Conference for Community and Justice Humanitarian Award; Performer, Grand Ole Opry in Nashville; Piano Performance scholarship at State University.

Interesting Facts: First person on either side of my family to attend college; Youngest of five children with a 13-year gap between me and my next oldest sister and an almost 20-year gap between the oldest and myself.

Employment: Internship with a Law Firm; Internship with local ABC television affiliate; Student Assistant at State University.

How has the world you come from shaped your dreams and aspirations?

I come from a loving, supportive family that has always taught me to work hard for the things I want to achieve. Growing up, my parents always encouraged us to get involved with our local community and help those who were less fortunate than us. They tried to instill good values in us and to always guide us on the right path. I think it is because of these lessons my parents taught me that I want to make a difference in today’s world. I aspire to be a woman of great influence, preferably working in the non-profit sector, where I can apply my talents for the greater good and help to change people’s lives. One person truly can make a difference, and I am on my way to proving that cliché. I also dream to one day have a loving family of my own, with beautiful children in whom I can instill the same core values that my parents gave to me.

Of all the ways you could succeed in your life, why have you chosen to succeed in the Miss Harvest Homecoming Pageant?

Along with providing the financial assistance for young women to fulfill our educational goals, the Miss America Organization gives us the opportunity to bring national attention to a cause dear to our hearts. If I were to become Miss America, I know that my voice would be heard as a spokesperson for my personal platform, as well as the national platform. Raising awareness of important social and political issues has always been important to me, and Miss America provides the perfect arena for that.

What social issue, other than your platform, will have the greatest impact on your generation and why?

Although I’m not sure I would consider it a social issue, I think technological advancements will have the greatest social impact on my generation. Technology is changing everything – the way we communicate, our lifestyles, access to information – it’s all right at your fingertips! That can be a double-edged sword. I believe we run the risk of losing both interpersonal and language skills due to the ease and speed of communicating electronically. I believe our educators should address this issue immediately, or it may, unfortunately, have the greatest impact on my generation and every generation to follow.

Instructions for Typing the 2017 Local Contestant's Platform Statement

This is your opportunity to explain to the state judges what your chosen platform is and why it is important for the Miss America Organization to embrace this platform.

This **100-200 word, single-spaced** document combined with the Contestant's Resume, will comprise your entire application for this job. The judges will receive exactly what is submitted. Any items submitted that do not fit the established criteria will be returned for correction only once. Any item that does not meet the criteria or submitted after the deadline will not be given to the judges. If your Platform Statement arrives on the day of the deadline and does not meet the criteria, there will not be time to return it to you; therefore, it will not be given to the judges. If she chooses, a contestant may explain the lack of judging materials during her interview.

1. Go to the word processing program of your computer.
2. Start a "new" document.
3. Set margins for 1" on all four sides. The font style may not be any smaller than "10" and no larger than "12" point type using the Times New Roman font style.
4. With the justification set for left, type "**Name:" in bold**. Following the colon (:), hit the space bar twice. Then, type your name.
5. Then, move to the next line and type "**Title:" in bold**. Following the colon (:), hit the space bar twice. Then, type Miss Harvest Homecoming.
6. Double space down. Set your justification to "center". Then type in **bold and underline** the title of your Platform.
7. Double space down. Write what you feel is critical for the judge's to know about your platform and why it is necessary for you to have the job of Miss Harvest Homecoming to promote this issue. What you write will be what the judges know about your platform, your role in successfully dealing with this issue, and the role the Miss America Organization may play in your plan.
8. This essay **may** include some of the following items (this is not to be meant as an exhaustive list):
 - A clear definition of the platform and the specific issues you wish to address
 - A plan on how you have or will create awareness of the platform
 - Your media plans
 - Your marketing strategy
 - How you propose to fund your ideas/plans
 - Any significant accomplishments you have made in regard to your issue
 - What do you wish to accomplish during your year of service as Miss Harvest Homecoming for your platform issue?
9. At the bottom of the page, you **MUST** set the justification to the right. Type a line of 26 spaces. Below that line, you must type Signature/Date and after printing **sign and date the document**.

Once you have printed the document, it is important that you SIGN and DATE the document as shown in the attached SAMPLE

DUE AT THE MEET & GREET ON JULY 15, 2017

SAMPLE

Name: Jane Doe

Title: Miss Harvest Homecoming 2017

Celebrating Cultural Diversity and Inclusiveness

It is imperative that this nation face and embrace its cultural diversity. The title of Miss Harvest Homecoming will allow me to create the awareness that must exist. My plan is to motivate the media and to partner with the National Conference for Community and Justice. I intend to prove that in order to accept and understand people of other cultures; one must be willing to step out of a personal cultural comfort zone and identify the origin of their prejudice. Our country's ethnic make-up is changing rapidly and our citizen's fear of terrorism can explode already existing, but deeply hidden prejudices.

Signature/Date

TALENT INFORMATION

(may be handwritten)

All accompaniment music must be emailed in MP3 format with two CDs brought pageant day.

Type of Talent (singing, dancing, instrumental, reading, etc.) _____

Full Title of music you will use in your talent (**Must be on ASCAP website):

Please describe your outfit: _____

I will bring the following props which I will use in my act: _____

Please submit a short introduction for your talent to be read by the emcee*:

*Sample Talent Introduction: With over 10 years of performance history, Cara is here this evening to perform her passion of solo ringing on the handbells. Her self-arranged piece of “My Favorite Things” originates from the ever-popular musical “The Sound of Music.” Relax in your seats and watch Cara’s careful skill and arrangement of these beautiful bells.

**** You must attach either a BMI or ASCAP certification. Visit www.ascap.com. Search for your song then print the page that shows it is on either of these sites.**

2017 CONTESTANT CONTRACT
WITH MISS HARVEST HOMECOMING SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT CONTRACT.

Please read the contract and fill in all information.

Step 1: Begin at the top of the contract and click on Type of Organization and type in “Harvest Homecoming Pageants”, then hit Tab.

Step 2: In “Type Competition/Title”, type in the title competing: “Harvest Homecoming

Step 3: In “Type Contestant Name” insert your legal name then hit tab

Step 4: Under Application and Contract for Participation, type “17” next to 20 and hit Tab.

Step 5: Next to Miss, type “Harvest Homecoming” then hit Tab.

Step 6: In Section 1.1,

- a. click on the line next to State of and type “Indiana” and hit Enter.

Step 7: In section 1.2,

- b. click on Type Title Won and type “Harvest Homecoming”, then hit Enter.
- c. Next to, “to be held in”, click on the line and type “Floyds Knobs”, then hit tab.
- d. On the Date(s) of Local Competition line, type in “August 5” then hit Enter.
- e. Click on the line next to 20 and type “17”, then hit Enter.

Step 8: In section 1.3,

- f. on the line after “and shall be entitled to that title until her successor is named at the competition in” click on the line and type “August” and hit Enter.
- g. Type in “18” next to the 20 and hit Enter.

Step 9: In section 2.7.1.2,

- h. on the line that says “Local Title” type “Harvest Homecoming” then hit Tab.

Step 10: In section 2.7.1.3 type “Indiana” in the box and hit Enter.

You must read the rest of the contract and fill in the lines with appropriate information. Just click on the line and type in the box. Click *Save As* on your computer and save it as **(Your Name) Local Miss Contract**. Have your contract notarized and with you at the Meet and Greet, July 15th.

**2017 CONTESTANT CONTRACT
WITH MISS HARVEST HOMECOMING SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT**

**ATTACHMENT C
2017 LOCAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The precepts of conduct for contestants are the foundation upon which the image and reputation of the Miss America program have been built and will continue to be the basis for its operation. Therefore, the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant directors have formalized the following rules, which must be adhered to during the time contestants spend in the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship program.

1. Miss Harvest Homecoming contestants will conduct themselves at all times with the dignity, grace and good manners of young women who exemplify the integrity of American youth.
2. A contestant must observe all rules and regulations from the time of her arrival at the pageant, until her departure. She must register by the official time set and remain until released following the Miss Harvest Homecoming Pageant.
3. A contestant must stay only at the Miss Harvest Homecoming Pageant official venue. She may not leave the venue once she arrives.
4. A contestant must be accompanied by a member of the Pageant Committee at all times. Contestants are not allowed to leave venue unless accompanied by a Hostess.
5. A contestant will not participate in any interview, photo session, media contact or any type of publicity unless a hostess is present. She may express her ideas and personal opinions on any subject, but has the right not to answer questions if she so chooses.
6. A contestant will not attend parties, meetings, social events or make public appearances other than those scheduled by the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant during pageant weekend.
7. A contestant will not smoke in public or at the venue.
8. A contestant will not imbibe in any alcoholic beverages during pageant weekend.
9. A contestant will not be in the company of or speak to a Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant judge except at regularly scheduled Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant events.
10. No visitors, including parents, family members, sponsors, and friends are allowed backstage to visit any contestant at any time.
11. Cell phones or pagers may not be used backstage, in the dressing rooms, or during rehearsals.
12. Contestants who are not crowned are released from their contract with the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant at the completion of the pageant on finals night following pictures with the photographer.

Parent's/Guardians' Initials: _____ **Contestant's Initials:** _____ **Date:** _____

ATTACHMENT C continued
2017 LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP RULES AND REGULATIONS

If a contestant's conduct is deemed unsatisfactory by any of the Pageant Committee directors/chairs, and by this conduct the image and good name of the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant is deemed to be jeopardized, the following procedure is followed:

1. The Director of the Pageant Committee will issue a warning to the contestant in the presence of the contestant's hostess.
2. If the condition causing the warning is corrected, no further action will be taken.
3. If not corrected, the Hostess Committee Chair will notify the Executive Director of the Miss Harvest Homecoming Pageant and provide all particulars regarding the infraction of the rules.
4. The Director and the Hostess Committee Chair will meet with the contestant to discuss the unacceptable conduct.
5. Notification of the Chair of the Judges and further action could be the result of the decision of the Director and Hostess Committee Chair.
6. What a contestant does, where she goes, and how she conducts herself while participating in the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant, are all governed, to a large degree, by rules, regulations and demanding schedules. Use common sense.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE.

CONTESTANT SIGNATURE

DATE

LOCAL DIRECTOR SIGNATURE

DATE

Parent's/Guardians' Initials: _____ Contestant's Initials: _____ Date: _____

**2017 CONTESTANT CONTRACT
WITH MISS HARVEST HOMECOMING SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT
Attachment D**

GUIDELINES FOR MISS HARVEST HOMECOMING'S YEAR OF SERVICE

Appearances – Booking, Fees, Payments

All appearances for Miss Harvest Homecoming are arranged and handled by and through the Local Director, as her sole and exclusive agent. The parents are not part of this process. All appearances must have Local Director approval and be chaperoned by Local Director, Pageant/Harvest Homecoming Festival committee member, and/or parent/guardian. Local Director maintains exclusive and final decision on all appearances/bookings/events/wardrobe to ensure safety of Local Titleholder and positive standing of the Miss Harvest Homecoming Pageants within the community. Any individual or organization wishing to inquire or book a Miss Harvest Homecoming for an appearance must contact the Local Pageant Director.

During her Year of Service, Miss Harvest Homecoming will be required to make a minimum two (2) appearances per month in furtherance of her Platform and the Local Program as scheduled by her Local Director. In the event that Miss Harvest Homecoming should need to cancel a confirmed appearance, she must make said cancellation 24 hours prior to confirmed time of event.

Miss Harvest Homecoming should also make arrangements with legal counsel in the event their services are needed during the Year of Service.

Appearances, Meetings and Interviews – Preparation and Conduct

Miss Harvest Homecoming shall be responsible for doing the necessary preparation for each appearance, meeting and interview. Preparation shall include, but not be limited to, reviewing all information and background material that is provided to her for review, conducting independent research when necessary, and, with respect to appearances, writing her own speeches and specifically targeting them towards the audiences that she will address.

Miss Harvest Homecoming shall be responsible for having a substantial and appropriate repertoire for talent performances for all of her appearances. If requested to perform, Local Titleholder must provide a set list a minimum of 48 hours in advance of appearance. Set list is to be approved by Local Director. Any and all changes to the approved set list must also be approved by Local Director. Titleholder is not to perform unapproved selections for any reason.

Miss Harvest Homecoming shall show up on time for all appearances, meetings and interviews. She shall limit cell phone use to emergency situations during appearances, meetings and interviews.

Provided Services and Wardrobe

Miss Harvest Homecoming shall be well groomed and dress and act appropriately for all occasions. Appearance wardrobe will be sent to Local Director a minimum of 24 hours prior to any appearance for approval. Local titleholder agrees to adhere to approved wardrobe. If changes are required within the 24hr window of any appearance, director must be contacted and secondary wardrobe also approved. For the duration of her year of service, Miss Harvest Homecoming shall not appear in wardrobe unapproved by Local Director for any reason.

Should the Titleholder be given use of additional monies to cover pageant related wardrobe expenses, the following process will apply: Contingent of director approval, this money will be used primarily to reimburse partial or complete cost of competition wear for Miss Indiana's Outstanding Teen including evening gown, talent attire, interview, lifestyle and fitness and/or opening number. Local Titleholder agrees, no single area of competition is to account for more than half of the total monies awarded. Any exceptions to this require Local Director approval. Any monies remaining after competition wear is completed may only be used to cover expenses at Local Director discretion.

Any service or product received, or otherwise used, by Local Titleholder without prior approval by Local Director will become an expense the Local Titleholder will incur, regardless of allotted monies remaining.

Travel, Lodging and Transportation

Family, friends, sponsors, and others are not permitted to stay overnight in her room, or to accompany her at any appearances, unless approved by Local Director.

Miss Harvest Homecoming shall stay overnight in the hotel designated and arranged by Local Program for each appearance. Regarding the Miss Indiana Pageant, Titleholder agrees to stay at the host hotel for the duration of the pageant week. Smoking and pets are prohibited in any hotel rooms, regardless of hotel policy. All incidental expenses including, but not limited to, hotel telephone, toll charges, room service, and overtime charges related to internet access are the responsibility of Miss Harvest Homecoming. If said appearance is representing the Harvest Homecoming Festival, then the festival will help with expenses.

Local Director will serve as a Business Manager for Miss Harvest Homecoming. The Business Manager responsibilities include advising her of the necessary details of her appearances, and advising her with wardrobe selection for each appearance.

Miscellaneous

During her Year of Service, Miss Harvest Homecoming shall be a spokesperson not only for her Platform but also for the Harvest Homecoming Festival and the Miss Indiana Scholarship Pageant (MISP). She shall continuously educate herself and be knowledgeable about her Platform, the festival, and also about MISP, its activities and programs, and specifically its scholarship program, so that she can provide accurate responses when asked.

During her Year of Service, Miss Harvest Homecoming shall maintain contact with the Local Director at all times. She shall notify Local Director prior to any out-of-state travel which is not in connection with the performance of her obligations as a Local Titleholder. She shall not contact clients, sponsors, business partners or service providers directly at any time.

During her Year of Service or at any time thereafter, Miss Harvest Homecoming shall not disparage or otherwise make any unfavorable statements, oral or written, or perform any act or omission, which is detrimental to the reputation or goodwill of Local Program or MISP. For purpose of the prior sentence, MISP shall mean MISP, its successors and affiliates and their officers, directors and employees.

Upon winning the title of Miss Harvest Homecoming,, Local Titleholder will disclose a full and complete list of any and all personal social websites, along with her screen/user name(s), in which she participates during her year of service. She will use the official social media accounts immediately upon assuming the title. Official social media accounts are property of Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageants and Titleholder understands they will be monitored as such. Local Titleholder does not have authority to change passwords on official social media accounts for any reason. Local Titleholder agrees to post any/all appearances within 24 hours. This includes, but is not limited to, Harvest Homecoming Festival events, Miss Indiana events, every sponsor visit/receipt of service, and platform appearances. Titleholder agrees only official Harvest Homecoming Pageant sponsors will be referenced on official social media accounts. Personal sponsors will be reserved for personal accounts. Upon completing her year of service, Titleholder agrees to refrain from posting any information on any official media accounts.

During her Year of Service, Miss Harvest Homecoming will not seek pageant help, or coaching, from anyone other than her Local Director unless approved by said Local Director. This includes, but is not limited to interview coaching/preparation, stage walking, on-stage question prep, hair/makeup artists, photographers, fitness instructors, etc. All talent coaching/choreography will be approved by Local Director who will have final say on talent presentation. Local Director reserves the right to provide talent coaching/choreography/instruction to Miss Harvest Homecoming other than Miss Harvest Homecoming's personal coach/choreographer/instructor. Local Director also reserves the right to attend any and all preparations including interview workshops or mocks, talent choreography or training sessions, and walking practices in which Local Titleholder participates.

During her Year of Service, Miss Harvest Homecoming is responsible for representing and marketing MISP and the Harvest Homecoming Festival/Pageant in a manner that is designed to (1) reflect the values and standards of MAO, MISP and the Harvest Homecoming Festival/Pageant; (2) promote and enhance the visibility of MISP and the Harvest Homecoming Festival/Pageant; (3) protect and enhance the image, good name and broad public acceptance of MISP and the Harvest Homecoming Festival/Pageant; and (4) increase sponsorship opportunities for MISP and the Harvest Homecoming Festival/Pageant.

I have read, I understand, and I accept the Guidelines for Miss Harvest Homecoming's Year of Service.

CONTESTANT SIGNATURE

DATE

Attachment D MAO Contestant Social Media Policies

The MAO Contract is very clear regarding inappropriate behavior of ANY type, wherever it is found. This document specifically addresses social media. Once you make the decision to participate in our program, your past and present is a determining factor in your eligibility. If inappropriate language, photos, videos, or any other form of communication are discovered, your eligibility is at the sole discretion of the MAO organization. This is a zero-tolerance policy that will be enforced.

If you have questions regarding the appropriateness of your social media posts, language, photos, videos, etc., ask yourself these questions: “Can I stand on stage in front of the MAO judges and show them my social media posts? Can I repeat the language that I have used?” If the answer is “no”, this organization is not for you.

Please refer to the following clauses in our contract regarding this issue:

1.1. (2) recognizing and honoring the traits of honesty, good character, talent, poise, intellect, leadership and good judgment in the teens of America who enter the competition (the “Contestants”); and (3) enabling the Contestants to serve as role models for other teens with similar goals and personal characteristics.

2.6. **Personal Characteristics.** I understand that in order to be eligible to compete in the National Finals, I hereby certify to the Personal Characteristics set forth in this section:

2.6.4. Good Character. I am of good moral character and I have not been involved at any time in any act of moral turpitude.

2.6.6. Prior Conduct. I have never performed any act or engaged in any activity or employment that is or could reasonably be characterized as dishonest, immoral, or indecent.

6.8. **Termination of Eligibility.** I understand and agree that if:

6.8.3. I fail to conduct myself in a manner, which, in the sole and exclusive judgment of MAO, is consistent with the standards and dignity of the Program. (I will be disqualified.)

The following are the official guidelines for participating in social media for any participant in a Local, State, or National MAO competition. If you’re creating or contributing to blogs, wikis, social networks, virtual worlds, or any other kind of social media, these guidelines are for you.

As a member of the MAO community, you are representing the organization when you are participating in social computing. Posting as a representative of the MAO family is not a right but an opportunity, so please treat it seriously and with respect.

1. **Disclose.** Your honesty—or dishonesty—will be quickly noticed in the social media environment. Please represent MAO ethically and with integrity.
 - Be transparent: Use your real name, identify that you are associated with MAO, and be clear about your role.
 - Be truthful: If you have a vested interest in something you are discussing, be the first to point it out and be specific about what it is.
 - Be yourself: Stick to your area of expertise; write what you know. If you publish to a website outside MAO, please use a disclaimer something like this: “The postings on this site are my own and don’t necessarily represent MAO’s positions, strategies, or opinions.”
 - Be conscientious: Keep in mind that what you write is your responsibility and failure to abide by these guidelines could put your relationship with MAO at risk.
 - There is no clear line between your association with MAO and your personal life. Always be honest and respectful in both capacities. With the ease of tracing authors back from their posts and the amount of information online, finding the actual identity of a poster from a few posts and a screen name is not impossible. This creates an avenue for outside parties to link your personal writings to those you’ve done as a MAO representative. Always write as if everyone knows you. Never write anything you wouldn’t say out loud to all parties involved.
2. **Protect.** Remember, if you’re online, you’re on the record—everything on the Internet is public and searchable. **What you post is ultimately your responsibility.**
 - Don’t slam the competition (or MAO): Play nice. Anything you publish must be true and not misleading, and all claims regarding MAO must be substantiated and approved.
 - Don’t over share: Be careful out there—once you hit “share,” you usually can’t get it back. Plus, being judicious will help make your content more crisp and audience-relevant.
 - Did you mess up? If you make a mistake, admit it. Be upfront and be quick with your correction. If you’re posting to a blog, you may choose to modify an earlier post—just make it clear that you have done so.
 - Avoid hazardous materials. Do not post or link to any materials that are defamatory, harassing, or indecent!
 - Don’t promote other brands with our brand. Do not promote personal projects or endorse brands, causes or opinions when posting as a representative of MAO unless you have received approval from your Executive Director or the MAO national office.
 - Always trackback. When reposting or referencing a post on one of MAO online sites, provide a link to the original post or story.

3. **Use Common Sense**

- Perception is reality. In online social networks, the lines between public and private/personal are blurred. Just by identifying yourself as a MAO representative you are creating perceptions about your expertise and about MAO. Do us all proud.
- The Internet is not anonymous, nor does it forget. Everything written on the Web can be traced back to its author one way or another and very easily. Information is backed up often and repeatedly, and posts in one forum are usually replicated in others through trackbacks and reposts or references.
- **Do not return fire.** If a negative post or comment is found online about MAO or yourself, do not counter with another negative post. Instead, publicly offer to remedy the situation through positive action. Seek help from your parents, your Local/State Executive Director, or the MAO office in defusing these types of situations.

REMEMBER! Everything you post on any form of social media is public information, whether you like it or not. It is a permanent record of your character, personality, moral beliefs, behavior, and reputation. If you have ANY doubt that what you are about to post may come back to haunt you, DON'T POST IT!

I have read, I understand, and I accept the Guidelines for Local Titleholder's Year of Service.

CONTESTANT SIGNATURE

DATE

MAO Contestant Social Media Agreement

MAO, in recognizing and honoring the traits of honesty, good character, talent, poise, intellect, leadership and good judgment in teens who participate in our program, has developed Social Media Policies for the purpose of enabling our participants to wisely participate in social media. These policies are included in this contract as Attachment D.

Please list **ALL social websites** in which you participate (Ex: Blogs, Facebook, Instagram, Vine, etc.) and list your screen names.

Websites

Screen Names

I, (Name) _____, understand that inappropriate social media behavior will not be tolerated by the Miss America Organization or any of its subsidiaries. I am attesting, by my signature and that of my parent/legal guardian, on this form, that I have not posted on any type of social media either photos, videos, inappropriate language, or any other actions that would be considered inappropriate behavior in polite society. I understand that if any such materials are brought to the attention of the Miss America Organization, Miss America's Outstanding Teen, Inc, or my State/Local MAOTeen pageant, I am in danger of losing my title, immediately. I agree that it is at the sole discretion of the Miss America Organization to determine the consequences of any such actions.

(Contestant Signature) (Date)

(Parent/Legal GuardianSignature) (Date)

Parent's/Guardians' Initials: _____ Contestant's Initials: _____ Date: _____

ATTACHMENT E
2017 LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP RULES AND REGULATIONS

THE MISS HARVEST HOMECOMING PAGEANT SCHOLARSHIP FUND WILL AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS
UNDER THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

1) SCHOLARSHIP USAGE:

Scholarship funds may be applied to tuition, textbooks, supplies, academic fees, talent fees and other appropriate mandatory educational expenses. All unusual or questionable items of expense must be referred to the **Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant Selection Committee** with as much information as possible and far enough in advance for consideration of approval. Amounts received as scholarship payments are taxable income to the extent that they exceed "Qualified Tuition and Related Expenses". Scholarship funds may be applied toward talent and related expenses to said talent.

Qualified Tuition and Related Expenses include tuition and fees required for enrollment or attendance of a student at an educational organization, including fees, books, supplies and equipment required of all students in the particular course of instruction.

Payment of all approved expenditures will be made directly to the college, university or other accredited institution unless extenuating circumstances exist (with the exception of computer or musical equipment clause). Personal Reimbursements to scholarship recipients will not be honored, so proper planning and time allotment is essential on the part of the student.

2) REQUESTING USAGE:

Requests for scholarships are initially processed by the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant and **for its review and approval** upon written receipt of statements from colleges and schools or from the contestant for other educational expenses. All statements and invoices must be accompanied by a cover letter from the contestant.

Requests for computer or musical equipment will be recommended only if the college or school states in writing that it is mandatory requirement in order for the contestant to complete the coursework. The contestant may be reimbursed for this expense provided the contestant submits either a letter from the school stating the mandatory requirements or a list of course requirements. There will however, be a \$2,000 cap on computer equipment, and this type of expense will be reimbursed only once. Computer software is not a reimbursable item. If a contestant still has local funds available to her, a letter from the Local Executive Director that they do not reimburse or pay for computers **is required**. The original bill of sale must be submitted as well as the original credit card receipt or a copy of the canceled check.

3) PAYMENT GUIDELINES:

Payments for room and board will be made to the educational institution (or for off campus housing if the scholarship rules and regulations of the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant permits) to and such requests must be accompanied by appropriate documentation from the educational institution (or fully executed lease agreement) evidencing the charges for same. Contestants must maintain at least 12 credit hours as a full-time student, 9 credit hours part-time status and 9 credit hours for graduate in order to qualify. Payments do not cover key fees or deposits. Utilities (electric, gas, cable, phone, etc.) are also not covered.

It is each contestant's obligation to determine whether the scholarship, in whole or part, is includable in gross taxable income, regardless of whether a Form 1099 has been issued by either The State Organization, the Community Foundation or Miss America Organization. Contestants are encouraged to consult a tax advisor regarding the taxability of the scholarship payments.

4) PRIORITY OF LEVEL IN USAGE:

Contestants receiving scholarships at the local level must use the scholarship won at the local level prior to applying for funds at the state level. It shall be the responsibility of the local contestant to request written verification from the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant Local Executive Director that all local scholarship funds have been exhausted for submission to the State Organization. Outside of a request for computer equipment as discussed

in Item 2, exceptions to this rule may be granted for payment of college or university room and board which do not fall within the guidelines for disbursement at the local level. The request for an exception must be submitted in writing to Scholarship Committee for consideration.

5) STUDENT LOANS:

Scholarships may be used for outstanding student loan obligations provided the contestant has satisfactorily completed the coursework for which the loan was obtained. In all cases, requests must include a current bill from the lender showing a current address, a copy of the promissory note showing that the contestant is either the primary or secondary payer of the obligation, and an official transcript showing completion of the coursework.

6) USAGE FOR FUTURE EXPENSES AND FORFEITURES

Scholarships may be used for future educational expenses, provided, however, contestants must begin use of their scholarships within 1 years of the date of the award. Prior to forfeiture, reasonable attempt will be made by the state organization to notify the contestant of impending forfeiture. If a contestant has not submitted a request to the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant for her scholarship award dollars during this period, her right to request funds will be forfeited. **If a contestant forfeits any money from her scholarship award at the local level, her award at the state and national level will automatically be forfeited.**

6A) A contestant who begins use of her scholarship within the designated time above will then be required to show continuous activity in her scholarship endeavors up to a limit of 1 year (two for Miss State) following the date of her award. Any balance remaining in a contestant's award 1 year following the date of the award will automatically be forfeited.

6B) An exception to the time limits described in Paragraph 6A above may be made if the contestant, prior to the expiration date, makes a written appeal to the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant citing compelling reasons why the time period should be extended. An extension will generally be permitted when the contestant has had local awards within the prescribed time limits above or has been awarded the state title. However, the contestants must still send a written request for extension. The Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant will review the request and determine whether an extension is warranted. Consistent with the Code and the rules and regulations of the Community Foundation, the decision of the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant shall be final and binding. Any funds remaining in the account at the end of three years will automatically be forfeited.

THE MISS HARVEST HOMECOMING SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO AMEND AND OR MODIFY THE FOREGOING SCHOLARSHIP RULES AND REGULATIONS AT ANY TIME WITHOUT NOTICE.

I (Contestant) have read and understood the 2017 Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant Local Competition Scholarship Rules and Regulations:

Signed

Dated

Parent's/Guardians' Initials: _____ Contestant's Initials: _____ Date: _____

2017 CONTESTANT CONTRACT
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ATTACHMENT F
Pageant Requirements/Festival Commitment

That the manner and method of conducting the local pageant shall be in the sole discretion of the local pageant committee, and the decision of the judges shall be final and binding.

I will properly execute a contestant's contract with the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant, a copy of which has been made available for my inspection. There is no reason, legal or otherwise, nor do I have any commitments for the future, nor have I any legal obligations that prevent my full compliance with the terms and conditions set forth in such contestant's contract with the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant, nor with any duties required during my term as Miss Harvest Homecoming.

I will agree to appear as Miss Harvest Homecoming 2017 at events requested by the local pageant committee, including Harvest Homecoming festival activities (parade, contests, concerts, etc.) and the crowning of my successor at the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant 2018. The time and location of my personal appearances as Miss Harvest Homecoming shall be mutually agreed upon by the Miss Harvest Homecoming director and me. If I am unable to fulfill my obligations as Miss Harvest Homecoming, I forfeit all prizes, gifts, and title to my successor. I also agree that I will not make any personal appearances as Miss Harvest Homecoming without obtaining prior approval of the Miss Harvest Homecoming director.

I will follow the procedures outlined in the scholarship rules and regulations of the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant in order to secure any scholarship monies awarded to me through my participation in the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageant. I will submit a scholarship request form and a statement of tuition fees from an approved college or institution to the director of the Miss Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Program. All forms must be submitted within one (1) year of the date of the award. Failure to comply to this deadline will forfeit all scholarship prizes. (This rule also applies to all runners-up and special award winners.)

I will complete all requirements for any scholarship for which I am eligible throughout my Year of Service offered by the Harvest Homecoming Festival and/or Pageant, Miss Indiana's Outstanding Teen, and Miss America's Outstanding Teen. I will have all paperwork and scholarship essays for Miss Indiana's Outstanding Teen Pageant ready for my director to review 2 weeks before the scheduled date it must be turned in to the Miss Indiana Board or other individuals for review. My headshot that is turned in must be approved by my local pageant director before it is turned in. I will also meet with my director and go over the appropriate outfits I need to wear to all functions. These outfits must be approved by my local pageant director. I agree to have all competition and appearance wear approved and packed two weeks prior to leaving for Miss Indiana.

I agree to participate in the Miss Indiana Pageant 2018 as Miss Harvest Homecoming 2017. In doing so, I will abide by all rules set for by my Local Director. I will willingly participate in all preparations for Miss Indiana as deemed necessary by my Local Director. I will comply with deadlines in my preparations and be willing to accept all input provided to me by my Local Director. I understand that my Local Director has the final say in all of my wardrobe, pictures, and paper work that will be used to compete at Miss Indiana.

If I am unable to fulfill or comply with the local contestant's contract, this contract will be null and void. I will forfeit my title, crown, scholarship grant, and any awards that accompany the Miss Harvest Homecoming title. The first runner-up will assume the role of Miss Harvest Homecoming and all benefits of the title.

I understand I am to serve as Miss Harvest Homecoming until the crowning of my successor. I understand I am not released to compete for any other title until my contract with Harvest Homecoming Scholarship Pageants has been fulfilled and completed. Competing/or attempting to compete for another title, other than Miss Indiana, is in violation of this contract and will result in forfeiture of all gifts, scholarships, and prizes.

I understand that I may not hold the title of Miss Harvest Homecoming in consecutive years and no more than two times.

I will abide by all rules and regulations set forth by the Miss Harvest Homecoming Organization and the Harvest Homecoming Festival, and all statements made in the contract.

I (Contestant) have read and understood the 2017 Miss Harvest Homecoming Pageant Rules and Regulations:

Signed _____ Date _____
Parent's/Guardians' Initials: _____ Contestant's Initials: _____ Date: _____

This is a sample of the appearances made by last year's queens. Use it as a guide to your time involved at the festival should you win the title of Miss Harvest Homecoming.

Harvest Homecoming Queens' Festival Appearances 2015

*Wear sash and crown to every festival event.

*If the event doesn't specify queens, then all three queens are to be at the appearance.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH

- HHC Bicycle Tour (Miss & Teen Only) Start time 9:30. Arrival time 8:30. Forest Discovery Center, Starlight, IN. Dress: Jeans, cute top, comfy heels or boots, jacket/coat if needed.
- Pumpkin Decorating Contest. Start time 3:00. Arrival time 2:45. Comfy dress/heels.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 29th

- Who Wants To Be a College Student (Miss only). Start time 7:00. Arrive at 6:30. New Albany High School: Dress or skirt with blouse.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1st

- Dress & Dwell. Please let Remy know what time you'll be there.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4th

- 9:15. HHC office. Makeup.
- Opening Ceremonies: Start time 11:30am. Arrive at 10:30am in front of NA High School. I can drive the queens to the school. Parents will go to the viewing stands in front of St. Mary's church on Spring Street.
- Parade: Saturday, Oct 5: Start time noon. (Katie)
- Bring a change of clothes. We'll grab a quick dinner and head over to the Bowling Tournament. Cute top, jeans, comfy shoes like a wedge as you'll be on your feet. Arrival time 5:45. Registration 6:00. Tournament 7:00. You will be greeting bowlers at the door and directing them to the registration table, then hanging out and bowling, handing out winnings. Hoosier Lanes Strike & Spare, 2310 State Street, New Albany. (Miss & Teen only)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5th

- HHC Motorcycle Ride. 9:45-11:45. New Albany Riverfront. You will help with registration if needed, greet riders, start the ride. Cute top, jeans or leggings, cute shoes or boots. New Albany Riverfront Amphitheater.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6th

- Kids' Dog Show: Arrival time 5:15. Start time 5:30. NA Riverfront Amphitheater. Cute top, jeans or leggings, cute shoes or boots. Pose for pics with winning pooches. (Katie)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7th

- Purdue Pumpkin Chunking Competition: Start time 6:00. Arrival time 5:30. Purdue College of Technology, Charlestown Road, New Albany. Wear cute jeans, top, boots, jacket.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

- Senior Bingo: Arrive 2:15. Start time 2:30-4:00. Providence Retirement Home. 4915 Charlestown Road. Dress, heels, jewelry (Katie)
- Booth set-up: Meet at the HHC office at 8:00pm. Set-up time 8:30 p.m. Please dress comfortably and for the weather. Sneakers, sweats pants/leggings.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

- Great Day Live: Arrive at HHC office at 8:30. Show time 9:00-10:00. Cute dress/shoes/jewelry. (Miss and/or Teen only. not confirmed).
- Dress & Dwell: 11:00. Miss and Teen only to pick out WDRB outfit. (Not confirmed. Please pencil in).
- Queens' Booth: 12:00-4:00. Wear jeans/capris, blue pageant shirt, cute shoes like wedges or cute flats.
- Visit Booths: 4:00-6:00. Stop at every booth and say hello. Same outfit as booth but wear comfy, flat, cute shoes. Will finish on Sunday.
- Eat dinner: 6:00-6:50: Eat dinner.
- Queens' Booth: 7:00-9:00.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 10TH

- Fox 41: **Miss & Teen Arrive 5:45am**. Meet at the HHC office. Wear your outfit from Dress & Dwell **Preteen arrive at 8:00**. Info booth at the Market and Pearl intersection. Time will be finalized closer to festival.
- Breakfast at Toast: 9:00.
- J. Nicole: Miss Only. 10:00
- Business Luncheon (Miss only) Friday, Oct 12: Start time 11:00-2:00. Fashion show coordinator will give you your arrival time.

- Queens' Booth: 9:00-12:00. (Teen & Preteen Only). Red pageant top (Aubrey I have one for you/ jeans/capris, cute shoes like wedges or cute flats.
- Lunch: 12:00-12:30. Teen & Preteen
- 12:30-3:15 (nothing on schedule unless we don't have someone to work in the booth)
- Meet in office: 3:00.
- Queens' Booth: 3:15-5:00. Red pageant top (Morgan ask Paige if you can borrow hers), jeans/capris, cute shoes like wedges or cute flats. Miss & Teen only unless Aubrey wants to be there.
- Dinner: 5:00-5:15. Aubrey is done for the day unless leaving at 12:30 and not returning.
- Riverfront: 5:30-7:30. Wear red pageant t-shirt, jeans/capris, sneakers. (time not confirmed) (Miss & Teen only)
- Dinner: 7:30-8:00.
- Queens' Booth: 8:00-10:00. We may go meet the band at 9:00. Will keep you posted. (Miss & Teen only)

SATURDAY OCTOBER 11TH

- Meet at HHC Office at **9:45 We will leave the office at 10:00. (Miss & Teen only)**
- Big Wheel Race: Start time 10:00am. Stage Area Market & State. Cute top w/jeans or capris. Cute comfy shoes. Nothing off white or light in color. You'll be on the black top and it gets dirty. (Miss & Teen only)
- Baby Crawl: Start time 10:00am. Stage Area Market & State. (Miss & Teen only)
- Harvest Baking Contest (**Teen & Preteen only**) 11:00. Carnegie Center Basement corner of Bank and Spring. Cara will take Shannon and Aubrey. Aubrey meet Cara at the HHC office at 10:45. Aubrey wear cute jeans/top/shoes. (Katie)
- Children's Tractor Pull: Start time 11:30am. (Miss only)
- Eat a quick lunch
- Costume Contest: Start time noon. Morgan to emcee (not confirmed) Stage Area Market & State (Miss only)

- Kids Day in the Tent: (Teen & Pre-teen Only). Start time noon-3:00. Party tent between flood wall and river. Cara will take Shannon & Aubrey to the tent in the golf cart. Katie will need to be at this event. Meet at the HHC office at 11:30 and go with Cara on the golf cart. Take the pageant banner. (Katie)
- Petite Little Miss, Little Miss, Miss Pre-teen, Little Masters: Start time 2:00. Arrive at 1:15. Main Source Stage Area Market & State. Shannon to return and finish this event once Kids' Tent is over. (Miss & Teen only)
- Queens' Booth: 4:00-5:30 (Katie)
- Eat dinner/Change clothes: 5:30
- Harvest Idol: Start time 6:00. Stage Area Market & State. Jeans/leggings/cute top/shoes/jewelry (Katie)
- Queens' booth: 8:00-10:00 (Miss & Teen only)
- Riverfront Band: we may or may not go see the bands (Miss & Teen only)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

- Queens' Booth: 12:00-2:00. Wear cute outfit, jeans w/cute top or capris, wedges or cute comfy flats.
- Visit booths: Start time 2:00-3:45. Stop at every booth and say hello. Same outfit but w/flats. Last minute stop to eat at your favorite spots.
- Closing Ceremonies: Arrive at 4:00. Start time 4:15. Stage Area Market & State. Same outfit but with low heel or wedge.
- Booth Break-down: 5:00. throw on some sneakers and comfy clothes.

Schedule for Miss Indiana Contestants

(Sample of what you will be doing as Miss Harvest Homecoming at the state pageant in 2017)

Sunday

- 11:00-12:30 Drop off competition wardrobe at ZHS (your own transportation)
- 1:00 Meet for Pet Parade at end of route—snappy casual (your own transportation)
- 1:10 Greet pets at end of parade
- 2:00 Opening Reception at Brick Street Inn—snappy casual
- 3:00 Check in at hotel (your own transportation)
- 5:00 Dinner—cute casual (Miss IN transportation)
- 6:30 Video shoot at hotel—Opening Number Dress

Monday

- 8:00 Rehearsals--casual
- 12:00 Lunch—snappy casual
- 1:30 Rehearsals—casual
- 6:00 Lions cookout—snappy casual

Tuesday

- 8:00 Rehearsals—casual
- 12:00 Joy of Life Lunch—cute casual in PINK!
- 1:30 Rehearsals—casual
- 4:30 Dinner at the PAC—casual
- 6:00 Dress Rehearsal

Wednesday

- 8:00 Alpha interviews at hotel
- 8:30 Beta talent rehearsals at PAC
- 11:30 Lunch at hotel
- 12:30 Beta interviews at hotel
- 4:30 Dinner at hotel
- 5:30 Depart for PAC
- 7:00 Prelims at PAC

Thursday

- 8:00 Alpha talent rehearsal
- 10:00 Elks Brunch—snappy casual
- 1:00 Riley Hospital visit—snappy casual
- 3:00 Secret Ingredient visit—snappy casual
- 3:45 Depart Secret Ingredient for hotel
- 4:30 Dinner at hotel
- 5:30 Depart for PAC
- 7:00 Prelims at PAC

Friday

- 9:00 Princess rehearsal--Miss IN t-shirt with white or tan shorts/capris
- 12:00 Princess Luncheon—Miss IN t-shirt with white or tan shorts/capris
- 1:30 Boys and Girls Club—Miss IN t-shirt with white or tan shorts/capris
- 3:00 Depart Boys and Girls Club and return to hotel

- 4:00 Released to Directors/Parents for dinner
- 6:15 Check in at PAC for Teen Pageant-cocktail dress (own transportation to PAC)
- 7:00 Teen Pageant—sash, no crown

Saturday

- 8:30 Brunch at Stonegate Meeting House—
dressy
- 11:15 Depart for Parade—dressy
- 12:00 Parade
- 12:45 Autograph signing at Zionsville
businesses—dressy
- 1:45 Depart business for lunch at
Cobblestone Grill on Brick Street
- 2:00 Lunch at Cobblestone Grill
- 3:00 Depart for hotel
- 5:30 Depart hotel for PAC
- 7:00 Miss Indiana Finals Night

*Actual times may vary or will be adjusted for pageant week.