

2024 Miss Gibson County Updates

As of 1/13/2024 **Changes highlighted in yellow**

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- Sign Ups

- Call Outs/Sign Ups: Date TBD
- Must sign up online: <https://forms.gle/Y1HQxReEevPs65GE6>

- Age Requirements

- Each contestant must be at least 17 years of age and cannot have reached their 21st birthday on or before June 1st, 2024.

- Entry Fee: \$100

- Checks payable to Gibson County Fair and are due to the Fair Office or Jacinda by June 1st.
- Any individual's outstanding balance with the Gibson County Fairgrounds must be paid prior to signing up for the pageant.

- Biography Sheet & Contracts

- Contracts must be signed and submitted by June 1st, 2024.
- Biography sheets will be submitted online. Due date TBD.
- Miss Gibson County is expected to compete in the Miss Indiana State Fair Queen Program.

- Schedule

- First Meeting: TBD
 - A detailed schedule for meetings will be provided at a later date.
- Pageant: Saturday, June 29th at 7:00 PM. Subject to change depending on auditorium availability. Interviews typically begin around 9 AM. Sweethearts will interview first followed by Queen contestants.

- Pageant Format

- Miss Gibson County contestants will be scored based on their ability to converse, public speaking ability, poise, personality, and the judges' overall impression.

Preliminary Judging:

• Interview 45 percent of scoring

- Attire: Attire: Suit, Pant Suit or Dress (same as worn for the Professional Wear judging)
- Each contestant will have one (1), five-minute interview with each of the three judges individually. Therefore, each contestant will give three separate interviews (15 collective minutes total), answering impromptu questions asked by each judge. Interviews are private and not open to the public.

On Stage Judging:

• Prepared Speech 15 percent of scoring

- Attire: Suit, Pant Suit or Dress (same as worn for Interview and Professional Wear judging)
- Each contestant will prepare a speech no longer than one (1) minute, on the topic of their choice. Speeches will be scored on natural speaking ability, delivery, poise and originality. Each speech will be timed. Props, music and audio-visuals will not be allowed.
- Prepared speeches will be delivered on stage during the professional wear segment of the pageant.

• Professional Wear 20 percent of scoring

- Attire: Suit, Pant Suit or Dress (same as worn for the Prepared Speech & Interview)
- A suit does not have to be of the same fabric or color – separates are allowed.

• Formal Wear 20 percent of scoring

- Attire: Formal Gown
- Contestants will have an impromptu response to a word during formal wear. Their response can be their definition of the word, how they lived that word, what they first think of when they hear that word, etc.
- When choosing a formal gown, at least one portion of the hemline must be floor length (touching the floor or contestant's foot). A gown with the skirt split above the knee (more than 2" above the kneecap), a low-cut bodice and/or cut/design inappropriate for the Gibson County Fair Queen Pageant may be discounted by the judges.

- Awards & Prizes

- Contestants that place will receive a cash prize, personalized tote, sash, and crown.

- Miss Gibson County will receive a personalized tote, scholarship, sash, crown, and a variety of traveling awards donated by previous Gibson County Queens.
- The number of placings on the Queen's Court is TBD depending on number of contestants.