



The *mission* of the Miss Juneteenth Scholarship Pageant is to provide a forum for young women to enhance their self-esteem, explore self-expression and provide areas for personal development training. Our mission of excellence includes the following goals and objectives:

- I. Self-esteem enhancement through:
 - Public speaking training
 - Poise training
 - Image consulting
 - Positive reinforcement

- II. Self-expression development through:
 - Essay writing
 - Talent coaching
 - Public events participation

- III. Personal development training through:
 - Educational seminars
 - Career development opportunities
 - Opportunities for community service
 - Networking with other young woman

The *Miss Juneteenth Scholarship Pageant* continues to positively and progressively impact the lives of young women. This impact is accomplished through the training and seminars provided to the contestants. Even though this is a pageant, there is a sisterhood created among the contestants, and this intangible benefit is the most impactful.

Contestants are awarded scholarships to further their education. These scholarships greatly enhance the possibility of a young lady fulfilling her ultimate goals.



Eligibility and Competitions

Pageant Category	Ages
Miss Juneteenth	15 - 18

Contestants must:

- Be a student in good standing with 2.5 GPA or better
- Must be single
- Not have a criminal record
- No dependents
- Have ability and desire to represent Juneteenth throughout Tarrant County in a positive and progressive light
- Miss Juneteenth contestants under the age of 18 must have parental consent

Requirements of the pageant:

- Registration fee \$ 50.00
- Availability to attend pageant meetings
- Availability to participate in 2019 Juneteenth activities

Essay Competition: The contestant will be judged on her ability to express her thoughts, clear and concise subject development, and grammar syntax. Points are also given for typing the essay, having a cover sheet, and reaching the 250 word limit.

Talent Competition: The contestant will be judged on talent and familiarity with her presentation, her ability to become completely involved in her act, the degree of difficulty of the performance, facial expressions, presence and audience appeal.

Projection Competition: The contestant will be judged on her ability to think and respond quickly.

Evening Wear Competition: The contestant will be judged on her ability to walk gracefully, to demonstrate poise, charm, personality, and confidence.

Salesmanship: The contestant will be awarded points for selling tickets to the pageant.

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Judging Criteria

Essay - 35 points

Topic - *"The 12 Freedoms Gained when Juneteenth Came"*

- ❖ 12 pts-Clear and concise development of the subject
- ❖ 12 pts-Grammar and syntax
- ❖ 5 pts-250 words
- ❖ 5 pts-Typed Essay
- ❖ 1 pt.-Coversheet

Talent-20 points – 3 minutes

- ❖ 6 pts – Familiarity with talent performance
- ❖ 6 pts – Delivery of presentation
- ❖ 6 pts – Degree of difficulty of performance
- ❖ 1 pt –Within time parameter
- ❖ 1 pt – Audience appeal

Projection Competition-20 points

- ❖ 5 pts-Ability to think and respond quickly
- ❖ 5 pts-Ability to show confidence
- ❖ 5 pts-Ability to show poise under pressure
- ❖ 5 pts-Personality

Evening Wear Competition-15 points

- ❖ 5 pts-Poise
- ❖ 5 pts-Confidence
- ❖ 5 pts-Charm/personality

Salesmanship-10 Points

1 point for every 2 tickets sold (up to 20 tickets)



Contestant Guidelines

- Contestants are required to attend all pageant meetings and rehearsals. Contestants will also be required to participate in the parade, Juneteenth festival and all activities deemed necessary by the Juneteenth Pageant committee.
- Contestants must be willing to participate in all fundraising activities benefitting the Miss Juneteenth Pageant (securing advertising, selling tickets, etc.).
- Contestants must be Tarrant County Residents.
- All contestants must have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 or higher. All contestants are responsible for providing class schedule and grade point information.
- Contestants must not have a child or be expecting a child. If a contestant becomes pregnant during the pageant they will not be allowed to compete in the pageant.
- Contestants must not have any legal issues pending and no convictions. Contestants must be of good moral character.
- Contestant and parents must abide by the guidelines, rules and responsibilities. Committee reserves the right to add or modify as necessary.
- Contestants and their parents/guardians hereby authorize the Miss Juneteenth Scholarship Pageant to use their names and images for promotional, informational or other purposes for the pageant.
- Unity Unlimited and the producers of the Miss Juneteenth Scholarship Pageant take every precaution to ensure the safety of everyone during these events. Please follow all safety rules and regulations. Please keep personal items locked up at all times. We will not be liable for any accidents or lost, stolen or damaged items during the meetings, rehearsals, fundraising, pageant and/or any other function set by the committee.



Rules and Responsibility

- Miss Fort Worth Juneteenth (MFWJ) will be required to be in attendance at all Juneteenth Celebration activities, this includes fundraisers and socials, held throughout the year provided it does not interfere with her academic responsibilities.
- Whenever in public, MFWJ is an ambassador/representative of the Juneteenth Fort Worth organization of Fort Worth and Tarrant County. She must conduct herself in a professional manner and maintain a presentable appearance at all times. MFWJ must make a concerted effort to be prompt and courteous during all appearances.
- MFWJ must be willing to attend any event that she has been invited to, provided it does not interfere with her academic responsibilities. MFWJ must be given at least 72 hours' notice for any appearance. A committee representative will accompany MFWJ to all appearances. The committee will approve all appearances for MFWJ.
- MFWJ is responsible for submitting a class schedule for each semester of her reign. She must maintain a 2.5 GPA or better and be a student in good standing.
- MFWJ will be expected to attend committee meetings and provide input in regards to the direction of the MFWJ pageant.
- MFWJ is expected to participate in at least three (3) community service projects during her reign with committee approval.
- If at any time additional duties/responsibilities are necessary the committee will draft and give MFWJ notification.
- If for any reason MFWJ cannot successfully fulfill her reign, the first runner-up will assume the title and the committee will assign awards accordingly.



I have read and understand the Eligibility and Requirements, Judging Criteria, Contestant Guidelines and Miss Juneteenth Rules and Responsibilities and I would like to submit my/my child's application to participate in the Miss Juneteenth Scholarship Pageant 2019. I agree to abide by all the guidelines and rules of the Miss Juneteenth Scholarship Pageant set forth by the Committee and understand that any violation of these rules will mean an immediate removal from the pageant.

Parent Printed Name _____ **Date** _____

Parent Signature _____

Contestant Printed Name _____ **Date** _____

Contestant Signature _____



Important Dates and Meeting Schedule

*All meetings are at Tarrant County College South Campus
5301 Campus Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76119*

Registration Deadline – Wednesday, May 1, 2019

Contestants will be welcomed via conference call. Call in information to be sent out.

**Mandatory Bootcamp for all Contestants – Saturday, May 11, 2019
10:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

Essays are due – Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Saturday, June 1, 2019 - Pageant Walk Thru – Performance Hall 10:00 AM

Friday, June 7, 2019 - Pageant Walk Thru – Performance Hall 6:00 PM

Saturday, June 8, 2019 – Pageant 5:30 PM, Delegate check-in 12:00 PM

Monday - Friday, June 10 - 14 – Your Voice Unleashed Arts Workshop & Concert

Thursday, June 13 - Juneteenth Honors Banquet – Trinity River Campus 7:00 PM

Saturday, June 15 - Juneteenth Parade & Community Festival 9:00 AM

Tuesday, June 18 - Juneteenth the Stage Play 7:30 PM