

# Ottawa County Jr. Fair King & Queen Contest

## Monday July 17, 2023

A royal court consisting of a King, Queen, and attendants (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> runners-up) will represent the 2023 Ottawa County Jr. Fair during fair week and throughout the year at fairs, festivals, parades, and other various events.

**Eligibility:** Anyone **16-18 years old** as of January 1, 2023 who meets the following criteria is eligible to compete:

- Applicants must be a member of Ottawa County 4-H, FFA, FCCLA, DECA, Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts who believes their involvement in the Ottawa Co. Jr. Fair program, community, and leadership endeavors warrants recognition as a model Jr. Fair participant.
- Applicants must be currently involved in the Jr. Fair program, be unmarried, nor have been married, or have borne or fathered any children.
- Once crowned King or Queen you are ineligible to compete for a future Ottawa County Jr. Fair Royalty Title.

**Judging Rules and Criteria:**

1. Contestants must submit a **current photo, cover letter, résumé, and essay** to Sara Soltis via email (solsoltis@gmail.com) or mail (21550 W. Holts East Rd. Genoa, OH 43430) by midnight July 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023. Late or incomplete entries **will not** be eligible for King or Queen.
2. Judges will interview the contestants on Wednesday, **July 12<sup>th</sup>**. Sara will provide further details the week prior to personal interviews.
3. The new King and Queen will be crowned the night of Monday July 17<sup>th</sup> in the Genoa Bank Pavilion.
4. The King, Queen, and Runners-Up are expected to maintain the dress and poise of the position during the entire time of the fair and at external functions. Failure to comply with the guidelines provided to the new court after the contest will result in the relinquishment of title and awards.
5. All decisions of the judges will be final.
6. Scoring will be conducted on the following basis:

**Submitted Application Scoring**

**Cover Letter**

Grammar, Punctuation, & Appeal.....5

**Resume (1-2 pages)**

Grammar, Punctuation, & Appeal.....5

**Jr. Fair Activities**

Participation, Achievement, & Leadership.....10

**Other Youth Activities**

Participation, Achievement, & Leadership.....10

**Essay (not to exceed 2 pages)**

*\*Explain how being a part of the Ottawa Co. Fair has impacted your life.*

Grammar, Punctuation, & Appeal.....10

**Personal Interview Scoring**

Poise, Appearance, & Ease.....30

**Contest Scoring/Public Interview**

Poise, Appearance, & Ease.....30

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\*Ottawa Co. Jr. Fair Coordinator and Royalty Superintendent reserves the right to interpret these rules. All interpretations by these authorities are final. Please call Sara (419) 707-2113 with any questions.