

Ottawa County Jr. Fair King & Queen Contest

Monday July 20, 2026

A Royal Court consisting of a King & Queen in addition to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Attendants will be chosen to represent the 2026 Ottawa County Jr. Fair during the week of fair and throughout the year across Ohio.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must meet all of the following requirements:
 - 16-18 years of age as of January 1, 2026.
 - An active participant in the Ottawa County Jr. Fair Program.
 - Demonstrate community involvement & leadership worthy of recognition as a model Jr. Fair Participant.
 - Must not be, nor have been married or pregnant, nor have fathered a child.
 - Must be free of past or present use of illegal substances, including alcohol.
 - Must have never been convicted of a criminal offense nor have criminal charges pending.
 - Previous title holders of Fair King or Queen are ineligible to compete again.
 - Must not hold a title on another court.
 - Late applications will not be accepted.

Expectations:

- Court members are expected to uphold the dignity of their title by maintaining appropriate dress, conduct, & poise throughout their reign.
 - Guidelines will be provided to contestants & their parent/guardian prior to the contest.
 - Failure to comply with guidelines will result in the forfeit of title & all awards, including crown/sash.
- Court members must be present the week of the 2026 fair to fulfill duties, including but not limited to: handing out awards at various shows/classes, appearances at grandstand events, prettiest baby contest, etc...
- The King & Queen are required to host an event for visiting royalty & to assist with the 2027 Contest/Crowning.

Selection Process:

- **Application:**
 - Submit a **photo, cover letter, & résumé** by **11:59pm on Thurs. July 1, 2026** via email to the King & Queen Superintendent (Sara Soltis: SaraSoltis77@gmail.com).
 - Please save and send as a PDF if possible.
 - If sending as a Google Doc, please ensure sharing permission allows access at time of submission.
 - Candidates will receive email confirmation of application submission within 24 hours that will detail next steps (*if confirmation has not been received within 24 hours, please contact Sara: 419-707-2113*).
- **Personal Interview (Business Casual):**
 - Sat. July 11, 2026 from 9-12:30pm (Fairboard Office).
 - 10-15 minute interview with judges.
 - Candidates must be present the entire time.
- **Fair Contest (Formal Attire):**
 - Mon. July 20, 2026 (evening).
 - On-Stage Introduction/Interview.
 - Fishbowl Question/Prompt.
 - Judges deliberate - crowning to follow immediately after.



The Ottawa Co. Jr. Fair Coordinator and King & Queen Superintendent reserves the right to interpret these rules

All interpretations by these authorities are final