

Columbia County Fairest of the Fair Contest Rules/Guidelines

Contestant must be 18 years of age as of January 1 of the year of the contest.

Contestant must have a valid Wisconsin driver's license with a good driving record. Contestant may not have been convicted of a felony act.

The contest is open to individuals who have been a resident of the State of Wisconsin and Columbia County (or exhibitor at the Columbia County Fair) for at least one year prior to entry.

Contestant must be available all days of the **Columbia County Fair (July 24-29, 2018)** as well as at requested appearances and media interviews.

The Fairest will be strongly encouraged to **attend additional events** including, but not limited to, Columbia County Moody Brunch, 4th of July parade, Portage Holiday Parade, and local 4-H club meetings.

The time, manner and method of judging will be decided by the Columbia County Fairest of the Fair coordinator from the Columbia County Fair Board. The decision of the judges is final.

Contestant agrees that if selected as the Columbia County Fairest of the Fair, she/he shall not sign a management contract with any individual or corporation and will not give any written or verbal endorsements; or make a personal appearance for any mercantile commodity or commercial organization; or permit any photographs to be used for commercial purposes without permission of the Columbia County Fairest of the Fair coordinator and the Columbia County Fair Board.

Official photographs will be taken for use in your reign as Fairest of the Fair. The photographer will be chosen and paid for by the Fairest coordinator.

The Fairest will be required to dress in attire appropriate to the event and setting, accompanied by the sash and tiara, while promoting the Columbia County Fair.

A Fairest, **even of legal age**, may not consume alcohol while on official duty as the Columbia County Fairest of the Fair.

A \$250 scholarship will be given at the end of contestant's reign as the Columbia County Fairest of the Fair upon submission of a summary of your promotional activities completed during your reign.

The Columbia County Fairest of the Fair is expected to enter the contest for Wisconsin Fairest of the Fair at the annual Wisconsin Fair Association convention in January 2019. The Columbia County Fair Association will cover the entry fees to the state contest.

The individual selected as Columbia County Fairest of the Fair will not be eligible to compete in future Columbia County Fairest of the Fair competitions.

If I am named as 2018 Columbia County Fairest of the Fair and for any reason do not fulfill the duties of this position for the entire term (one year), I will forfeit all cash prizes, scholarship monies and other prizes that may be awarded with the position.

I, _____, understand the above rules and if I become Columbia County Fairest of the Fair, I will abide by these rules.

Signature: _____

Date: _____