



Cortland County Jr. Fair

Fair Queen Packet

2026

CORTLAND COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR QUEEN AMBASSADOR

The Cortland County Junior Fair Queen Ambassador will hold their title for one year. The Cortland County Junior Fair Queen Ambassadors are selected from the online application, essay and interview. Applicants must be female at least 12 years of age and not over 18 years old by June 1st of the current year.

Purpose of the Cortland County Junior Fair Queen Ambassador

The purpose of the Fair Queen Program is to encourage the promotion of agricultural fairs and to create better relations between youth and adults in both a rural and urban settings. The Junior Fair Queen Ambassador program is to help the Cortland County Jr Fair Queen, and her court perform special duties throughout the fair week.

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Junior Fair Queen Ambassador Behavior Policy

In the event that the coordinator determines that the standards and dignity of the program are compromised, the contest's coordinator shall have the sole discretion to determine whether, in its judgement, the junior ambassador may continue to participate in the program.

The following will be considered violations of the policy and will be grounds for immediate disqualification, dismissal and/or being banned from future fair queen competitions:

- Any infraction of any Queen Contest Rules.
- Smoking, drinking alcoholic beverages, use of other illegal substances, chewing gum, foul language and/or public display of affection to dates/boyfriends while wearing crown and/or sash and representing the Queen Program.
- Engagement in any illegal, unpartisan, unethical, indecent and/or morally questionable behavior, including, but not limited to, online representation on the internet such as social networking sites (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, TikTok, Snapchat, etc.)
- Any defamation of the Queen Contest, its winners, contestants, the Fair, Fair directors, and Committee members, whether it be oral or written. This includes postings on the Internet.
- Any uncooperative or unsportsmanlike conduct before, during or after the Competition.
- Appearing in sash/crown at any event without an official invitation from an authorized event coordinator or event board member.
- Any infractions outside of the fair (school, social media, church) may be grounds for immediate dismissal from any further fair queen program or function.

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Junior Fair Queen Dress Code

Wearing of the Junior Ambassador sash is to be considered an honor and privilege. The bearer is now an ambassador representing herself, family, and her community Fair. Put the effort into making a good impression!

General Appearance Attire Rules

1. Attire that is conducive to specific appearance or event (i.e. business casual, formal, etc.)
2. No outfit that shows cleavage.
3. Dresses/skirts must be no shorter than the height of a dollar bill (approx. 2.5") from the bottom of the dress/skirt hem to the top of the kneecap.
4. No clothing that advertises, promotes, or glorifies the use of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or anything inconsistent with the dignity of the Queen Program.
5. No visible piercings (other than earrings); no visible tattoos

Footwear Rules

1. No Sneakers
2. No Flip Flops
3. No Boot (Thigh high boots)
 - "Shoe Boots", with or without a heel, are permitted if the shoe boots are no higher than ankle height
 - Boots may be permitted in livestock barns/show ring if worn with pants.

Barn & Show Ring

1. If the ambassador is a visitor in the livestock barns or show rings:
 - a. Follow the general appearance attire and footwear rules (slacks, dresses, skirts)
 - b. Crown and Banner
 - c. Closed-toe shoes for safety reasons.
2. If the ambassador is in the show barns and/or ring as an **exhibitor**:
 - a. Khaki or similar boot cut style pants and a presentable shirt
 - b. NO Crown. NO Sash.
 - c. Closed-toe shoes for safety reasons.
 - d. If presenting ribbons or awards during her time as an exhibitor, then she may only wear her crown and banner for presentation segment; but not while showing livestock.

Transportation and Chaperone

Junior ambassadors should have a reliable source of transportation to and from all events during fair week and any events outside of the fair, which she is attending, along with a chaperone. (Mom, dad, aunt, grandparent, etc.)

Should a problem arise, please contact the Fair Queen Coordinators

Cortland County Jr Fair Queen Coordinator Contact Information

Lorrie Riehlman | P | 315-439-3700

Kelcie Stark | P | 585-737-3413

Email | Cortlandfairqueen@gmail.com

Cortland County Jr Fair – Fair Queen Application

FULL NAME | _____

MAILING ADDRESS | _____

DATE OF BIRTH /AGE/ GRADE | _____

PHONE NUMBER | _____

HEIGHT | _____ EYE COLOR | _____ HAIR COLOR | _____

FAVORITES: COLOR | _____ FOOD | _____ SEASON | _____

MOVIE OR TV SHOW | _____ BOOK | _____

PARENT'S NAMES | _____

BROTHERS & SISTERS | _____

SCHOOL | _____

WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES AND INTERESTS?

HAVE YOU BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE CORTLAND COUNTY JR FAIR, IF SO FOR HOW LONG AND HOW WERE YOU INVOLVED?

WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT THE CORTLAND COUNTY JR FAIR?

WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE YOU INVOLVED IN AT SCHOOL:

LIST ANY CIVIC GROUPS, CLUBS OR ORGANIZATIONS IN WHICH YOU ARE A MEMBER:

ARE YOU CURRENTLY EMPLOYED, IF SO WHERE, WHAT ARE YOUR JOB DUTIES AND HOURS YOU WORK?

GIVE SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT YOURSELF FOR PUBLICITY, INCLUDING HOBBIES, CLUBS, ACTIVITIES, HONORS WON (IF ANY), ETC.

HAVE YOU DECIDED ON A COLLEGE DECISION / CAREER? IF SO, PLEASE DESCRIBE:

DESCRIBE ONE THING THAT YOU LOVE ABOUT CORTLAND COUNTY:

WHAT ONE PERSON DO YOU ADMIRE AND WHY?

ANY ADDITIONAL FACTS ABOUT YOURSELF THAT WE SHOULD KNOW ABOUT:

CONTESTANTS NAME (WRITTEN) | _____

CONTESTANTS SIGNATURE | _____

PARENTS SIGNATURE | _____

DATE | _____

Must be signed by a parent or legal guardian if your under the age of 18.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN JUNE 12, 2026

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE MAILED TO:

CORTLAND COUNTY FAIR /PAGEANT

P.O. Box 122 South Otselic, NY 13155

APPLICATION CAN BE EMAILED TO |

Cortlandfairqueen@gmail.com

THANK YOU, AND GOOD LUCK