

Dear Oklahoma Hereford Juniors,

Summer and the Red Dirt Rendezvous Reginal Preview show are just around the corner, which means it is also time to select a new Oklahoma Hereford Queen, Princess, and Sweetheart.

I would like to encourage all eligible junior members to apply for the title of Oklahoma Hereford Queen or Princess. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to represent the Hereford breed and the State of Oklahoma, as well as become more involved with the breed association. The winners of the Queen, Princess, and Sweetheart contests will be announced at the Reginal show in June. Applicants will receive additional information regarding the contest and interview times at the heifer check in.

On the following pages you will find the Application, as well as the Oklahoma Hereford Queen Rules and Conduct Agreement which will provide you with more information regarding contest rules, events, official dress and more. Please note that the age divisions are Sweetheart: 9-12, Princess: 13-15, and Queen 16-up.

Please feel free to contact Nakia with any questions regarding this program or the application

Please return your completed applications to me by May the 23rd to:

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Application for the Oklahoma Hereford Queen/Princess/Sweetheart

Indicate which title you will be applying for: Queen Princess Sweetheart

Applicant's Name: _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Address: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth _____

High School Name: _____ Grade: _____

College Name: _____ Years Completed: _____

If selected for State Queen do you plan to run for National Queen? _____

If selected for State Queen do you plan to attend the JNHE and represent Oklahoma? _____

ACTIVITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Please list any organizations or activities that you are involved with and include years of involvement and any offices held (4-H, FFA, OJHA, etc.).

Please include an essay describing your involvement and affiliation with Hereford Cattle and why you want to be Queen, Princess, or Sweetheart.

NOTE: Applications must be returned Nakia Rhodes by May 23rd

OKLAHOMA HEREFORD QUEEN

Rules and Conduct Agreement

ELIGIBILITIES

Contestant must be at least 16 years old and not have reached 21 years of age by January 1st of the year that she will be representing the Oklahoma Hereford Women as the Oklahoma Hereford Queen.

Must be single, never married, no children.

A candidate cannot be queen for another breed or state Hereford queen for another state simultaneously.

Must be a member of the Junior Hereford Association of Oklahoma.

RULES

Judging will be based on general appearance (15), ability to communicate (15), general knowledge of the breed and the beef industry (40), personality (15), and poise (15).

The Oklahoma Hereford Queen will be judged and crowned at the Oklahoma Youth Expo and her reign will be span from March to March.

The Oklahoma Hereford Queen will attend, in an official capacity, all of the following events unless excused by the Oklahoma Queen Chairman or the President of the Hereford Women of Oklahoma.

1. Oklahoma Youth Expo - Junior Hereford Show
2. Oklahoma Junior Cattleman's Preview Show - Junior Hereford Show
3. Tulsa State Fair - Junior Hereford Show
4. The State Sale / Annual Meeting and Banquet

Junior National Hereford Expo (the queen is not required to attend/compete in the National Queen Contest, but is encouraged to do so.)

(The Oklahoma State Fair, the OHA Ranch Tour and Production sales are not required. If the Queen plans to attend any event other than the event listed above in an official capacity, she must notify the owner/manager of her intent to attend and the Queen Chairmen.)

D. State Queens may show at all of the shows held in the state.

E. Any deviation from the expected behavior of the Queen such as pregnancy, violation of the law, etc. will result in disqualification from the program.

F. The State Queen will not consume alcohol or use tobacco and drugs, or use obscene language while serving in an official capacity as queen.

G. When attending functions in an official capacity, she will wear her official outfit.

Official outfit:

1. Tiara (no hat) and official banner
2. Pressed and tailored blouse or sweater that is not off the shoulders, sleeveless or displaying any cleavage.
3. Skirt (must reach at least the mid-point on the uppers of your boots)
4. Cowboy boots

Official outfit- when you are exhibiting cattle at the show:

1. Tiara (no hat) and official banner
2. Pressed and tailored blouse or sweater that is not off the shoulders, sleeveless or displaying any cleavage.
3. Pressed stacks or jeans
4. Cowboy boots

Notes:

* The State Queen never wears white or cream; this is reserved for the National Queen.

** When attending a function other than a show in which you are an exhibitor or at the JNHE, please wear a skirt and blouse in accordance with the National Queen dress code.

*** If the Oklahoma Hereford Queen attends the Junior National Hereford Expo, they must abide by the dress code set for the National Queen Program that was established by the National Hereford Women.

III General Information

A. At the time of selection, \$200.00 is given to the queen for initial expenses. An expense allowance will be provided for the queen up to a total of \$300.00 for travel and housing expenses for participation in the National Hereford Queen contest, held at the American Royal. Receipts for allowable travel and

housing expenses must be provided to the treasurer of the Hereford Women of Oklahoma before reimbursement is made.

- B. The association shall provide the new queen with a tiara and the official banner.
- C. The Queen must be chaperoned by an adult (mother, father, aunt, uncle, etc.) at all times when she is serving in an official capacity.
- D. A queen may serve as state queen for two consecutive years. If the Oklahoma Hereford Queen is not selected the National Queen, she may serve two consecutive years. If an additional candidate expresses an interest in competing for state queen, all candidates will compete for the position of queen.
- E. When a state Queen passes her reign on, she will be allowed to keep her tiara, but will be required to pass on the official state queen banner.

IV Conduct Agreement

As a representative of Oklahoma, serving as the Oklahoma Hereford Queen, I have read and understand the rules and regulations of the Oklahoma Hereford Queen contest as set by the Hereford Women of Oklahoma and the National Organization of Patti-Elites. I understand the failure to fulfill the responsibilities can result in disqualification from the State and National Queen Program and Competition.

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Candidate

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Date

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Parent or guardian

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Date