



# Pope County's Deer Festival Pageant

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## **CONTEST RULES for the Baby Photogenic, Little Mister and Miss, Junior Miss, Miss, and Senior Miss Pageant 2023**

The pageant is sponsored by Main Street Golconda. The pageant will be directed by Melissa Presser.

Contest is on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at **7:00 p.m.** at the **Pope County High School Gymnasium.**

The contest is open to children who reside in or go to school in Pope County.

The contest is open to Girls ages 0-14 (up to 8<sup>th</sup> grade), and Boys ages 0-8.

There is a \$20.00 entry fee for the pageant and a \$10.00 entry fee for the Baby Photogenic contest.

**DEADLINE:** The deadline to enter the pageant or submit a photo for the baby photo contest is **Monday, October 16th**. All registration papers or photos must be submitted by that time, no exceptions.

**BABY PHOTOGENIC RULES:** Submit an unframed 5x7 picture with the attached registration form by October 16, 2023. Please submit a photo close to the child's age at the time of the contest. The Photogenic Contest is for children ages 0-35 months as of November 16, 2023. Pictures will be displayed in the window of the Herald Enterprise office prior to the contest. By entering the contest, you are authorizing the use of your child's photo for display.

**PAGEANT:** Boys ages 3-8, and girls 3-14, who have not entered high school are eligible to participate in the pageant. The age divisions for boys are 3-5 and 6-8. The age divisions for girls are 3-5, 6-8, 9-11, and 12-14. If your child has won their current age division in a prior year's pageant then they are not eligible to re-compete in that age division. They will be eligible to compete when they move up to the next group. Make sure to provide the child's birth date on the registration form!

The children in the pageant will be judged on attire, personality and stage presence, appearance, and smile. All contestants must wear jeans or jeggings. Contestants may wear hats. This is a casual wear pageant.

Judges will deduct points for makeup if you are between the ages of 3-11. Ages 12-14 are allowed to wear makeup.

## **STAGE PRACTICES:**

**Ages 3-5 and 6-8** : Practice will be on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Pope County High School Gymnasium.

**Ages 9-11 and 12-14** : Practice will be on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Pope County High School Gymnasium

If your child is unable to attend the stage practice you must send an email to [mainstreetgolconda@gmail.com](mailto:mainstreetgolconda@gmail.com)

Baby Photogenic is NOT required to attend the stage practice.

**PAGEANT ARRIVAL TIMES:** All contestants will check in at the High School Community Room the night of the pageant. Do not go into the gymnasium.

Baby Photogenic contestants need to arrive at 6:30 p.m.; Little Mister and Miss (ages 3-5) contestants arrive no later than 7:00 p.m.; Junior Miss/Mr. (ages 6-8) no later than 7:30 p.m.; Miss (ages 9-11) contestants no later than 7:45 p.m.; and Senior Miss (ages 12-14) contestants no later than 8:00 p.m.

You will find the registration form with this flyer. If you have more than one child in the pageant or photo contest you must submit separate form for each child.

Please make checks payable to Main Street Golconda. You are allowed to submit registrations forms to the Pope County Elementary Office. To make it easier on the teachers, I am asking that you deliver the forms to the office, not in your child's backpack, if possible.

If you need to mail the forms or entry fees, you can send them to:

Main Street Golconda  
P.O. Box 482  
Golconda, IL 62938

If you have additional questions, email [mainstreetgolconda@gmail.com](mailto:mainstreetgolconda@gmail.com).

All contestants and parents are expected to show good conduct and sportsmanship at all times. If necessary, a contestant may be disqualified for unbecoming behavior. A parent or guardian must remain with the contestant during pageant practice and on the night of the pageant a parent/guardian must remain with the child prior to taking the stage if the child is 8 years old or younger.

Thank you, I hope to have another great year!

Melissa