



JULY 8-14, 2025

2025 Queen and Jr. Queen Competition

Please see the enclosed rules and regulations, entry / sponsor form. Upon returning, you must include a recent head shot photograph (colored or black/white, no snapshots please).

Return the Entry / Sponsor Form and head shot photo by May 21, 2025 to:

*Lee County Fair
Attn: Queen Committee
PO Box 179
Donnellson, IA 52625*

Dates to Save:

Workshop/Social Event - **Saturday, June 14th** - Learning Center

Come with shoes you will be wearing during stage modeling, paper, and writing utensil.

- **PARTICIPATION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**

Interview - **Saturday, June 28th** - Learning Center

Required Judging Attire:

- Formal Interview outfit
- Casual Interview outfit
- Speech outfit - shirt provided, you coordinate with bottoms

- **PARTICIPATION REQUIRED**

Donnellson 4th of July Parade - **Friday, July 4th** - meet at the Learning Center

- **PARTICIPATION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**

Final Judging and Crowning of the 2025 Lee County Fair Queen **Wednesday, July 9th**

4pm - Learning Center for Fairboard interviews

6pm - Show barn- Crowning

Required Crowning Attire:

- Formal Dress - Keep in mind you have to walk up & down stairs to get on the stage

- **PARTICIPATION REQUIRED**

2025 Lee County Fair Queen

Fair appearances: livestock competitions, sponsor visits, grandstand events, etc.

Queen Attire:

- Dressy summer outfits
- No jeans or jean shorts
- Sash and crown at all times

We have a very tight schedule for judging, appearances, and volunteering. As a contestant, you must fully commit to the duties of the queen competition. Even if you are not selected as the queen, you are still required to participate in Kid's Day, selling raffle tickets, and other volunteer opportunities. The fair depends on the girls to help out with these events as the money raised benefits our scholarships. This competition can be a very meaningful experience for our Lee County Fair Queen and the contestants, but only if they fully participate. Only emergencies can justify not participating in our fair events and must be approved by our queen committee.

\$500.00 Scholarship to the 2025 Lee County Fair Queen

\$300 Scholarship to the 1st Runner-up

\$200 Scholarship to the 2nd Runner-up

Each queen candidate will receive additional information after June 6, 2024. If you have any questions, please go to our website at www.leecountyfairiowa.com or call Jenna Wenke at 319-470-4552. We look forward to meeting you!!!

2025 Lee County Fair Queen and Jr. Queen Competition Rules & Regulations

1. Each contestant for the Senior Queen must be female and at least 16 years of age and not more than 21 years of age on August 7th, the first day of the 2025 Iowa State Fair.
2. The Junior Queen contestants must be female and at least 11 years old and not more than 15 years of age on July 1, 2025. Junior Fair Queen does not go on to the State Fair.
3. The Lee County Fair Queen cannot represent a title nor accept any other title while competing for or representing the Lee County Fair for 12 months following the Lee County Fair.
4. Each contestant must reside in Lee County, IA or an adjoining county if the majority of her activities are in the county she represents.
5. Contestants must never have been married, have children, or been convicted of a felony.
6. Each contestant must be an active member of at least one service organization in her community such as, but not limited to a church group, Girl Scouts, 4-H, FFA, etc.
7. No professional model (one who has ongoing employment in which modeling was the primary part of the job) is eligible to compete.
8. **All contestants are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects positively on themselves, their family and the Lee County Fair. This also includes how you conduct yourself on social media.** Should any candidate become involved in any activity the reflects negatively on themselves, their family or the Lee County Fair, they may be required to forfeit their crown, title, and scholarship.

9. The winner of the Lee County Fair Queen will be required to participate throughout fair week in committee directed activities which include but are not limited to:
 - Ribbon presentations in the show barn
 - Kids' Day activities
 - Grandstand events
 - Media interviews
 - Sponsor visits
 - Additional or modified appearances will be given by the queen committee
10. The Lee County Fair Queen will be **REQUIRED** to represent Lee County at the Iowa State Fair Queen Pageant **August 5th- 9th, 2025**, providing their own transportation to and from Des Moines. The Fair Board will pay entry fee to participate at the Iowa State Fair, **and provide a monetary stipend to help cover cost of attire for competition**. They are **also required**, to attend local events, i.e. West Point Sweet Corn Parade, Ft. Madison Rodeo Parade, Watermelon Festival Parade and Donnellson 4th of July Parade.
11. The reigning 2024 "Lee County Fair Queen" is expected to conduct herself in a manner that reflects positively on herself, her family and on the Lee County Fair. Should the reigning "Lee County Fair Queen" become involved in any activity, including a drug, alcohol or tobacco related offense that reflects negatively on herself, her family or the Lee County Fair, she may be required to forfeit her crown, title and rights to the scholarship award to the first runner-up.
12. **ALL Contestants are REQUIRED** to participate throughout the fair in activities such as presenting ribbons at livestock shows / grandstand events, Kid's Day, 50/50, etc. **You will be required to check in with the queen committee before you work.**
13. A competent committee will select the Lee County Fair Queen.
Judging comments are not available to the contestants.
Judging will be based on the following:
 - Personality, Communication, Attitude, Appearance and Awareness
 - Leadership and Citizenship - Contribution to Community
 - Overall Appearance, Charm, Poise
14. The Lee County Fair Queen cannot endorse any commercial product as "Lee County Fair Queen" for a period of 12 months following the 2025 Lee County Fair without the written permission of the Lee County Fair Board. There will be a number of required appearances throughout her reign, any additional appearances of the Lee County Fair Queen must be approved by the fair board prior to making the appearance.
15. ALL contestants are to be respectful at all times to all fair board members, other contestants and all patrons involved with the Lee County Fair. If an issue occurs, please go to the queen committee chair immediately.
16. The winner of the Lee County Fair Queen competition must agree to appear for the fair board in official capacities as requested throughout the year until her successor is crowned. This includes daily appearances at the 2025 Fair and the first day of the 2026 Fair.
17. Each Queen and Junior Queen contestant is required to get her own sponsor or sponsors. There is a \$100 entry fee.

The Lee County Fair Board reserves the right to change and interpret the foregoing rules and regulations at any time as may be deemed expedient.

2025 Lee County Fair Queen and Jr. Queen Competition Entry Form

Name _____

Address _____

Contestants Phone Number _____

Parents Phone Number _____

Age _____

Parent's Names _____

School _____

Please answer the following questions in no more than five additional pages.

1. What honors have you received?
2. What community service organizations do you belong to and what have you taken part in?
3. How have you been involved with the Lee County Fair in the past?
4. i.e. shown animals, art hall involvement, events attended, volunteered during the fair.?
5. What are your future plans?
6. Tell us two interesting and/or unique facts about yourself.
7. Why would you like to be the Lee County Fair Queen?
8. Be prepared to give a 1 - 1 ½ minute speech (memorized) at your interview portion of judging, June 28th on:

What makes the Lee County Fair Special to you?

Additional information about the topic will be given at the workshop.

9. Each Senior Queen Candidate must submit a formal resume along with the answers to the queen entry form.

2025 Lee County Fair Queen and Jr. Queen Competition

Sponsor Form

Each queen contestant is **required** to get her own sponsor or sponsors. A maximum of 4 sponsors for each contestant, please. Sponsors will be recognized at the fair. We are asking that each contestant attain \$100.00 for their entry.

Contestant's Name _____

Sponsor Information:

Name _____

Address _____

Amount _____

Name _____

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