



Miss Cass County 2018 Pageant

Dear Beautiful Ladies of Cass County,

This past year I have been honored to serve as the 2017 Miss Cass County, and I am now privileged to extend the invitation to you to participate in the 2018 Miss Cass County Pageant!

The Miss Cass County Pageant is a great chance to improve life skills as well as a great opportunity to gain confidence and poise. As a queen contestant you will be given the tools to properly apply make-up, model and improve your professional interviewing skills while meeting new young ladies in our community. During the summer you will be given the opportunity to give back to your community through a community service project.

Being able to serve as Miss Cass County 2017 has been a once in a lifetime opportunity. I was able to spend fair week with my wonderful court welcoming visitors from all over as we attended various events. From handing out ribbons to the livestock exhibitors, to eating as many elephant ears as I could, it was the most memorable week of my life. The week was filled with laughter, excitement, and nothing but support from community members!

Once fair week ended, the fun didn't stop there. In January I was honored to compete for the title of Miss Indiana State Fair 2018 with 84 other beautiful women as I represented the great Cass County. At this three day event I continued to further my professional skills and made friends from across the state.

The last year has truly been one to remember. I have met some of the most influential and remarkable people that I now call my friends. Being a queen contestant was such an amazing experience in itself. I cannot wait to make the journey with the 2018 contestants. I hope you will join me in making the Miss Cass County 2018 queen pageant an unforgettable success for you and me!

My best,

Shailin Heckard, Miss Cass County 2017

Miss Cass County 2018



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APPLICATION

Please plan to type your answers. This form may be reproduced for judge's review.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Names: _____

Age: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Year of High School (Please circle one): Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Name of High School: _____

College Plans (Present or Future): _____

Year: _____

Major: _____

Please answer the following questions with as much information as possible.

- 1) List your community and school activities and hobbies (i.e.—church, clubs, 4-H, etc.)
- 2) If chosen as Miss Cass County, how could you be a positive influence on your peers?
- 3) Describe yourself. Share special features about you and your life, an influence in your life, and/or your future plans, dreams, and ambitions.

Please write your sponsor on the line below.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read the rules and regulations printed for the Cass County 4-H Queen Contest, that I am complying with them in every way, and that the personal data herein set forth is correct. I will not hold the Cass County 4-H Queen Committee or Cass County 4-H Fair Board responsible for any lost or stolen articles or accidents.

Contestant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this signed form with your typed copy of the application. A digital copy should also be emailed to scottg1321@gmail.com. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact Pageant Director Grace Scott at (574) 709-9279 or by email at scottg1321@gmail.com.

All applications and sponsorship fees are due by Friday, May 18, 2018.



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Rules, Divisions, and Duties



Rules

1. There is a \$100.00 fee required from each female that enters. She should try to obtain a business, merchant, or club to sponsor her in the contest, and they should pay the fee. Sponsorship fees help cover the expense of pageant t-shirts, meals and events. Should a contestant have difficulty in finding a sponsor, the committee will help her if notified by the application deadline, Friday, May 18, 2018.
2. Each contestant must be at least 18 years of age on or before July 8, 2018 and cannot have reached their 22nd birthday on or before June 1, 2019.
3. Miss Cass County Contestants should not be married, be pregnant or have children. The winner must agree not to marry or become pregnant any time during their reign as Miss Cass County 2018. If Miss Cass County 2018 marries or is determined to be pregnant at any time before Miss Cass County 2019 is crowned, Miss Cass County 2018 will be required to forfeit the title, crown and right to all awards to the First Runner-Up. Should the First Runner-Up become ineligible, the individual will forfeit the title, crown and right to all awards to the Second Runner-Up. The queen's court will be held to the same high standards as Miss Cass County and should represent themselves as role models to the community.
4. A contestant must be a resident of Cass County. The only exception: she may reside in an adjoining county if the majority of her activities are in Cass County.
5. Each contestant must be an active member in at least one worthwhile organization in her community: such as, church groups, Girl Scouts, 4-H, etc. Eligibility is not limited to 4-H membership.
6. Any contestant who has competed at the State Fair Queen Pageant cannot compete again.
7. The queen is chosen on the basis of personality, ability to converse and poise. Talent is not a requirement to enter.
8. The young lady selected will reign over the remainder of the 4-H Fair and will be our representative in the State Fair Queen Pageant. The Indiana State Fair Queen Pageant will be held January 4-6, 2019.
9. Contestants should give thoughtful consideration to their use of social media and be advised the Indiana State Fair Queen Pageant reviews all county representative's internet presence for appropriate online behavior.
10. **Please type out the application and description, as these will be used in narrations. BE SURE TO LIST ALL ACTIVITIES, AWARDS, ETC. on your application when turned in.** If you want, you can type up your application on your computer. Just make sure you follow the same outline as the one given. This application will be reviewed by the judges, used for publicity and will be read during the public pageant. It is VERY important that it look neat and complete.
11. All applicant information must include entire names and locations so the information is verifiable.
12. **All entries and sponsorship fees are due Friday, May 18, 2018.**
Send fees and entries to:
Grace Scott
7866 Eel River Rd
Logansport, IN 46947

Call or email: (574) 709-9279 ▪ scottg1321@gmail.com



Divisions + Duties

Division 1: Interview 40 points

Ability to Converse:	20 points
Personality:	10 points
Poise:	10 points

Attire: Suit, Pant Suit, or Dress. Each contestant will have one 3-minute interview with each of the three judges. Therefore, each contestant will give three separate interviews (9 minutes total) answering impromptu questions asked by each judge.

Division 2: Professional Wear 20 points

Posture and Poise:	10 points
Overall Impression:	10 points

Attire: Suit, Pant Suit, or Dress. Pant suits or pant separates are allowed. Separates will be allowed. Dress or suit worn in interview may also be worn/judged in professional wear category. Props not allowed.

Division 3: Evening Gown 20 points

Stage Presence:	10 points
Overall Impression:	10 points

Attire: Long evening gown. At least one portion of the gown's hemline needs to be floor length (touching the contestant's foot or the floor). Other portions of the dress may be knee length or tea length, depending on the style of the dress. Gowns with the skirt split above the knee, a low-cut bodice and/or cut/design that is deemed inappropriate for Miss Cass County may be discounted by the judges.

Division 4: Introduction 10 points

Ability to Speak:	5 points
Overall Impression:	5 points

Attire: Outfit chosen by committee and reigning queen. This year's outfit consists of a tulle skirt and your pageant t-shirt. It will be worn with simple, stylish black flats that you are comfortable moving and/or dancing in.

Division 5: Impromptu 10 points

Evaluated on ability to effectively express your thoughts and answer the question completely.

Attire: Evening Gown. This is performed on-stage the night of the pageant.

Duties:

The Queen and Court are required to attend the entire Cass County 4-H Fair, July 9-14. A detailed schedule will be given to the Queen and Court immediately following the crowning. Please plan ahead with work schedules to ensure that you will be able to attend all Cass County Fair events. The Queen will be required to converse with the media and announce daily events as needed.

Miss Cass County 2018 will go on to compete at the Indiana State Fair on January 4-6, 2019. Miss Cass County is required to make appearances throughout the year at festivals, pageants, county high schools, and parades.



Mandatory Events

Queen's Kickoff Party

You and your mother or chaperone are invited to a fun, informal meeting where you will get the chance to meet the reigning queen—Shailin Heckard—and all of your fellow contestants as we begin preparing for the pageant. We will have a brief modeling demonstration, fashion tips and pointers, and mock interviews. **Please bring a picture of your evening gown and suit if available. Please wear heels to this event to practice modeling.**

- Sunday, May 20, 2018
- Cass County Fairgrounds—Community Center
- 1—4 pm
- **What to Wear:** A simple, classy dress that you feel best represents your personality. Please avoid any strapless, low-cut dresses.
- **We plan to have your photograph taken on this day for media purposes**

Pageant Practice

Today will be a chance for you to learn the pageant dance and practice with your fellow contestants. Bring your favorite snack to share with your fellow contestants. You will also meet with an interview coach. In addition, the committee will be working with you on your outfits for the pageant. **Please bring your evening gown and suit for approval by the committee.**

- Wednesday, June 6, 2018
- Cass County Fairgrounds—Community Center
- 1—4 pm
- **What to Wear:** Comfortable clothing

Queen's Make-up Party

A certified make-up artist and Bare Minerals representative will be giving lessons on make-up application and tips for the pageant.

- Sunday, June 24, 2018
- Posh Salon and Day Spa—623 E. Markland Avenue; Kokomo, IN 46901
- 1—3 pm
- **What to Wear:** Dressy-casual; please wear a color that is similar to your evening gown or suit

Community Service Event

Collect canned goods and bring with you to the Miss Cass County events. Cans will be totaled on the evening of July 2 to determine which contestant contributed the most. The winner will be announced at the pageant. A list of acceptable canned goods will be given to you at the Kickoff Party. This is part of a larger contest called "Fairs Care" through the Indiana State Fair.

- Collection from May 21—July 2, 2018
- Bring to each or any Miss Cass County event; final drop-off at the Polishing Party



Mandatory Events

Polishing Party

Tonight is an opportunity to practice the dance, and practice modeling on-stage. You will also have a chance to practice your on-stage question and have a mock interview with a committee member. The committee will be providing pizza and drinks for supper. Feel free to bring a favorite snack to share. We have invited Miss Indiana State Fair Queen 2018 to this event.

- Monday, July 2, 2018
- Cass County Fairgrounds
- 5:30—8 pm
- **What to Wear:** Comfortable clothing; pageant shoes for your evening gown and suit

Parade Appearance

This parade is a fun opportunity for the contestants to ride together on a float and enjoy celebrating the Fourth of July, with a strong sense of community pride.

- Wednesday, July 4, 2018
- Lewis Cass Jr. Sr. High School Parking Lot
- 1 pm
- **What to Wear:** Pageant t-shirt and shorts (of an appropriate length)

Dress Rehearsal

We will begin the morning with breakfast at Bullshipper's Café at 8 am, followed by radio interviews at 9:30 am at the WSAL radio station. We will then move the fairgrounds for the pageant rehearsal. This is a great opportunity for a run-through of the actual pageant. You will get to practice modeling, your introduction, and the group dance.

- Friday, July 6, 2018
- Cass County Fairgrounds—Indoor Arena
- 7:30 am—2 pm
- **What to Wear:** Comfortable clothing; pageant shoes for your evening gown and suit

The "Miss Cass County" Pageant

Interviews will begin at 2 pm at Logansport Memorial Hospital, followed by a light meal with the judges. You will need to arrive at the hospital by 1 pm. Please bring interview attire as well as a classy, simple dress that represents your personality for the light meal with the judges. Hair and makeup should be prepared upon arrival at the hospital. The committee will be available for small touch-ups and assistance with hair and makeup.

- Sunday, July 8, 2018
- Cass County Fairgrounds
- 7 pm; you will need to arrive by 5:30 pm to attend Vespers