



*67th Annual
Newberry Watermelon Festival
Queen Beauty Pageant*

**Newberry Oak View Middle School Auditorium
Friday, May 18, 2012
7:00pm**

Queen Pageant Information

Lisa G. Hughes, Pageant Coordinator
PO Box 1724
Newberry, Florida 32669
352-472-6853

- Contestants must have reached at least their 18th birthday before April 1, 2012 and not be older than 22 years old as of April 1, 2012.
- Contestants shall be never before married, never before pregnant, and without children.
- Newberry Watermelon Queen must participate in **at least** six (6) events to be coordinated through the Queen Coordinator. Any event she is asked to participate in, the Queen Coordinator must be notified before an appearance may be made as Newberry Watermelon Queen.
- Upon her satisfactorily completing her reign, the Newberry Watermelon Queen will receive \$500 cash.
- The Newberry Watermelon Queen will compete for the title of Florida Watermelon Queen in 2013. The Newberry Watermelon Festival, Inc. will secure a sponsor and photographer in preparation for this event. The Queen Coordinator or an official designee will chaperone the Queen to the Florida Watermelon Convention.
- Contestants understand and agree that in the event she is unable to complete her reign as Newberry Watermelon Queen, **she will return crown, banner, and all prizes and the first runner-up will complete the reign as queen.**
- The Newberry Watermelon Queen must be reliable, responsible, dependable, neat and prompt at all times. She must also be knowledgeable of the watermelon industry.
- Dress code for the Newberry Watermelon Queen to include: skirts, shorts, tops, blouses, dresses, and eveningwear of a conservative manner. The Queen Coordinator must approve pants or slacks. ***No jeans, leather, short-shorts, or mini skirts are to be worn at any appearance.***

Sponsor Fee: \$175 (Sponsor Fee must be received with application)

The following is a list of the competitions and the percentage score for each:

Speech (Friday)	25%	Personal Interview (Saturday)	25%
Sportswear (Friday)	10%	Overall Impression (Fri & Sat)	10%
Eveningwear (Friday)	10%	Auction (Saturday)	5%
Beauty (Friday)	10%		
Question (Friday)	5%		

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Application*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Hair Color: _____ Eye Color: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Sponsor: _____

Name of School: _____ Major: _____

Special Honors: _____

Hobbies: _____

Future Plans: _____

Name of Employer: _____

You're Title: _____

If chosen as Newberry Watermelon Festival Queen, briefly describe how you would perform your duties: _____

Do you hold any titles or are you presently involved with or competing in any other contest that would conflict if chosen as Newberry Watermelon Queen? ____ Yes ____ No

Please include ONE recent 5x7 photographs (color or black & white) and \$175.00 sponsorship fee. **DO NOT SEND CASH!** Make checks payable to: *Newberry Watermelon Festival*

I, the undersigned contestant, listed below, specifically assume any risk and release the NEWBERRY WATERMELON FESTIVAL, NEWBERRY OAK VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL, CITY OF NEWBERRY and destiny church property from any and all causes of action, claims, demands, liability, or damages, and I agree to indemnify and hold the NEWBERRY WATERMELON FESTIVAL, NEWBERRY OAK VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL, CITY OF NEWBERRY and destiny church property harmless from any and all costs of any kind whatsoever (including attorney's fees and court costs), causes of action, claims, demands, liability, or damages relating in any way to the NEWBERRY WATERMELON Festival's, functions and/or events, whether caused by, or allegedly caused by any acts, intentional, negligent, contributory, or otherwise by the NEWBERRY WATERMELON Festival's agents, officers, directors, or employees.

I have read the complete application, including the rules, queen responsibilities and judging criteria. I agree to abide by all the rules set forth by the Newberry Watermelon Festival, Inc. and the Queen Coordinator. I understand the judges' decision is final. I further certify that I meet the criteria to compete in the Newberry Watermelon Queen Pageant.

Signature of Contestant

Date

If contestant is under 18years old, signature of parent/guardian must be obtained.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

DEADLINE: Must be postmarked by May 5, 2012!

**Return Application with Fee to:
Lisa G. Hughes, Pageant Coordinator
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***Queen Contestant Luncheon
Saturday, May19, 2012 at 11:00am
Place to be announced***

_____ Number of Sponsor(s) attending

Sponsor's Name: _____

Sponsor's Name: _____

Sponsor's Name: _____

_____ Check if guest will be attending with you:

Guest's Name: _____

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**Newberry Watermelon Festival
Queen Contestant Schedule**

Wednesday, May 17, 2012

6:30pm **ORIENTATION AND REHEARSAL** at the Newberry Oak View Middle School Auditorium

Friday, May 18, 2012

7:30pm **PAGEANT** at the Newberry Oak View Middle School Auditorium

- **OPENING NUMBER** – TBA
- **SPORTSWEAR COMPETITION** – dressy casual (skirts, dress, or pantsuits) **NO jeans, leather, stretch Lycra wear, tank tops, or other like garments! Points will be deducted.**
- **SPEECH COMPETITION** – business attire (may be a Sunday dress or business suit). Present a personal speech on a topic of your choice, not to exceed two minutes. **No props!**
- **EVENINGWEAR COMPETITION** – eveningwear attire
- **IMPROMPTU QUESTION** – question asked by Emcee

9:00am **PARADE May 19, 2012 (Be in line no later than 8:30am) Line up at Fire Station.**

Attire: Casual Wear

You will be responsible for your car. Signs must be attached on each side with your *NAME, QUEEN CONTESTANT, and SPONSOR'S NAME*. Parade numbers will be given out at orientation.

TBA **INTRODUCTION OF CONTESTANTS** (promptly after Parade) at the Newberry Watermelon Festival

Attire: Parade attire

You will use the microphone to say your contestant number, name, sponsor, and city of residence.

11:00 A.M. QUEEN CONTESTANT LUNCHEON AND INTERVIEWS for contestant, sponsor(s), and one guest ONLY. Coordinator will give you information on place for luncheon. Each contestant will have a personal interview with the judges. Remember, **be yourself.**

TBA **RETURN TO FESTIVAL** for Seed-spitting and Hog Calling contest and to promote and invite festival-goers to stay for the Crowning of the 2012 Queen Pageant later that day.

Attire: Auction Outfit – Watermelon Theme or Red & Green

TBA **AUCTION** at the Newberry Watermelon Festival

Contestants assist by displaying watermelon items throughout audience.

TBA **Introduction of Queen Contestants**

CROWNING OF THE 2012 NEWBERRY WATERMELON FESTIVAL QUEEN

(Times may vary – a more accurate schedule will be given closer to the pageant date)