



Miss Cass County 2020 Pageant

Dear Beautiful Ladies of Cass County,

This past year I have been honored to serve as the 2019 Miss Cass County, and I am now privileged to extend the invitation to you to participate in the 2020 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 in the opportunity to give back to your community through a community service project.

Being Miss Cass County 2019 has been the experience of a lifetime! I had the opportunity of welcoming visitors from all over to our county fair. From passing out ribbons to livestock exhibitors to drinking as many lemon shake ups as possible, I enjoyed the fair week as Queen and it was the perfect way to round out my 10 years of 4-H. The week of fair was filled with fun, food and so much love and support from the amazing Cass County Community!

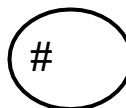
The fun didn't stop after fair week! My court and I attended various parades and events and had the opportunity to represent our community across Indiana. My favorite part was getting to ride on the historical Snow Queen Float in the annual Light Up Logansport Parade. In January, I was honored to represent Cass County and compete for the title of Miss Indiana State Fair 2020. This weekend long event was very empowering as I gave my speech on Mental Health while modeling my business and formal wear. During this experience I met so many sweet girls from around our great state!

This year has been filled with so much knowledge and growth! I have had the opportunity to meet and work with so many great people of Cass County. Deciding to run for Miss Cass County was one of the easiest decisions I've ever made. This program has done so much for me throughout my life and I would encourage anyone on the fence to make this decision as well. I am excited to make the journey again with all of this years contestants and I hope you will join me in making the Miss Cass County 2020 queen pageant an unforgettable one!

My Best,

Natalie Shepler, Miss Cass County 2019

Miss Cass County 2020



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 Taypullen55@gmail.com. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact Pageant Director Taylor Pullen at (765) 513-0567 or by email at Taypullen55@gmail.com.

All applications and sponsorship fees are due by Wednesday, May 27, 2020



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Miss Cass County

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, Wednesday, May 27, 2020.
2. Each contestant must be at least 18 years of age on or before July 5, 2020 and cannot have reached their 22nd birthday on or before June 1, 2021.
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 2020. If Miss Cass County 2020 marries or is determined to be pregnant at any time before Miss Cass County 2021 is crowned, Miss Cass County 2020 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 8-10, 2021.
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 Wednesday, May 27, 2020.**

Send fees and entries to: Taylor Pullen
5433 E Co Rd 1000 S
Walton, IN 46994

Call or email: (765) 513-0567 ▪ Taypullen55@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 TBD...*

Division 5: Word Definition 10 points

Evaluated on ability to effectively express your thoughts and define what the word means to you.

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 5-11. 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 2020 will go on to compete at the Indiana State Fair on January 8-10, 2021. 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—Natalie Shepler—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.**

- Saturday, May 30, 2020
- Cass County Carousel- McHale Complex (TBD-unofficial)
- 1:30-4:30 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***

Dance 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 be given instructions for your introduction. 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 3, 2020
- Taylor Pullen's House (will provide address)
- 6-8 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 14th, 2020 (TBD-unofficial)**
- Posh Salon and Day Spa—623 E. Markland Avenue; Kokomo, IN 46901
- **TBD (time)**
- **What to Wear:** Dressy-casual; please wear a color that is similar to your evening gown or suit

Community Service Event

Collect money throughout your community along with the Little Miss, Junior Miss, and Teen Miss contestants to donate to the Emmaus Mission Center. Money will be totaled on the evening of June 29 to determine which contestant contributed the most. The winner will be announced at the pageant. This gives you the opportunity to reach out to the people of Cass County and make a difference. You **MUST** provide 3 printed pictures of yourself collecting money!

- Collection from May 30—June 29, 2020
- Bring to each or any Miss Cass County event; final drop-off at the Polishing Party



Mandatory Events

Community Service “DAY”

Today we will be volunteering throughout our community as a group! You will have a chance to get to know the other contestants as well as get to know others from Cass County! Feel free to bring your favorite snack/drink.

- Wednesday, June 10, 2020
- Huston Park Born Learning Trail, Logansport
- 9 am-12 noon
- **What to wear:** Comfortable clothing/tennis shoes; other details TBD. Please bring water and other snacks for yourself if you wish!

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 food and drinks for supper. Feel free to bring a favorite snack to share. We have invited Miss Indiana State Fair Queen 2020 to this event.

- Monday, June 29, 2020
- Cass County Fairgrounds- Clover leaf
- 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.

- Saturday, July 4, 2020
- Lewis Cass Jr. Sr. High School Parking Lot
- 1 pm
- **What to Wear:** Pageant t-shirt and shorts (of an appropriate length)

Dress Rehearsal-MANDATORY

We will begin the morning with breakfast at Bullshipper’s Café at TBD, followed by radio interviews at TBD (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 3, 2020
- Cass County Fairgrounds—Indoor Arena
- 7:30 am—2 pm
- **What to Wear:** Comfortable clothing; pageant shoes for your evening gown and suit



Mandatory Events

The “Miss Cass County” Pageant

Interviews will begin at TBD at Logansport Memorial Hospital, followed by a light meal with the judges. You will need to arrive at the hospital by TBD. 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 5, 2020
- Cass County Fairgrounds
- 7 pm; you will need to arrive by 4:45 pm to attend Vespers

*****PLEASE BE WATCHING OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UPDATES REGARDING COVID-19*****