JUNIOR DIVISION COVER LETTER

Lexington County Peach Pageants

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All contestants must be legal residents of Lexington County or attend a Lexington County school. Proof of residency can be an electric bill, other utility bill, a driver's license in the legal parent's/guardian's name, or a school transcript. Please read the bylaws on the festival's website before signing the application. The application must be signed by a legal parent/guardian. The contestant's age must fall within the age division on or by the pageant date. The director reserves the right to combine age groups/divisions. If you have questions, contact the director at the above phone number or email pageant@lexcopeachfestival.com.

DIVISIONS/PAGEANT WEAR:

Division	Age Group	Attire
MISS WEE PEACH	5-6	Sunday Dress / Pageant
		Dress
MISS LITTLE PEACH	7-9	Sunday Dress / Pageant
		Dress
MISS PETITE PEACH	10-12	Tea-Length / Evening
		Gown
MISS YOUNG PEACH	13-14	Evening Gown
MISS TEEN PEACH	15-18	Evening Gown

<u>AREAS OF COMPETITION:</u> Contestants will compete in <u>evening gown</u> and the <u>fun fashion</u> competition. The fun fashion theme is "4th of July." Contestants may wear anything that represents this patriotic theme. Teen contestants ONLY will also participate in <u>interviews</u> and an <u>on-stage question</u>. A group of on-stage questions will be emailed to contestants 1 week before the pageant to prepare.

TEEN INTERVIEWS: Interviews will begin promptly at 1:00 and will last 3 minutes each. Please arrive no later than 12:30.

ENTRY FEE: \$80.00 NON-REFUNDABLE. PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO sibling discounts this year.

PHOTOGENIC: (Optional) \$10.00 non-refundable for one black/white or color photo. Must be a current photo. Additional photos may be entered for \$5.00 per photo. Photo(s) must be uploaded on the online application by June 1, 2024.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE VOTING: The People's Choice competition is an opportunity for all contestants to raise money for a special cause. The overall winner of the division will receive a cash award on stage and also choose a charity of their choice to donate a percentage of the money raised. People's Choice will go live on the Peach Festival site June 1, 2024 and close on June 14, 2024. \$1 will equal 1 vote.

<u>DEADLINE:</u> Completed/signed application and fees are due by June 1, 2024. Absolutely NO applications will be accepted after this date.

REHEARSAL DATES: Saturday, June 8, 2024 & Sunday, June 9, 2024

PLACE: Lexington One Performing Arts Center at Gilbert High School

840 Main Street

Gilbert, SC 29054

TIME: 3:00 P.M.

*Rehearsal is not mandatory, but highly encouraged. The opening number will be practiced at this time.

PAGEANT DATE: Saturday, June 15, 2024

PLACE: Lexington One Performing Arts Center at Gilbert High School

TIME: 3:00 P.M.

*Please arrive no later than 2:00.

PAGEANT DATE TICKET PRICES:

Adults - \$10

Children - \$5

Children under 4 years - FREE

All Day Pass – \$18 (this will allow you to enter the Baby, Junior, and Miss Pageants for one price)

MISS SOUTH CAROLINA'S TEEN: Teen & Miss winners will be eligible to compete at Miss South Carolina & Miss South Carolina's Teen if they so choose, but this is NOT

REQUIRED. This is an option for our winners to compete for additional scholarships and gain lasting memories! This will be discussed upon signing winner's contracts.

AWARDS:

- Each age division winner will receive a crown, sash, trophy, a cash award, and a basket of peaches.
- Runners-up will receive certificates.
- Photogenic winners will receive medallions.
- Best Hair, Smile, & Dress Winners will receive a goodie bag.
- The Overall Fun Fashion Winner will receive a crown, sash, & trophy.
- The People's Choice Winner will receive a crown, sash, trophy, & cash award.
- The Spirit of Pageantry Winner will receive a crown, sash, & trophy.

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