

## **Attachment C: Local Rules and Regulations**

### **Miss Emanuel County and Miss Southeast Georgia Scholarship Pageant Organization**

#### **Scholarships:**

Requests for scholarships are processed upon receipt of statements from academic degree granting colleges & universities. All statement & invoices must be accompanied by a cover letter from the contestant. Requests for payment for other educational expenses (e.g., private instructors affiliated with said college or university) must be pre-approved by the pageant scholarship board.

Scholarships shall be expended for tuition & related expenses, such as room & board and other educational expenses as approved by the pageant scholarship board.

A contestant that has won another preliminary previously must use the scholarship awarded in that local before using the scholarship awarded by the newer pageant scholarship board.

Except as provided in the following paragraph below, scholarships may be used for current educational expenses. Contestants may submit invoices for payment directly from the provider of the educational service or may submit a receipted bill and request reimbursement. All invoices & receipts must be covered through any other financial aid source (other than student loans which meet the provisions of the following paragraph below).

Scholarships may be used for outstanding student loan obligations provided the loan is not in default & provided the student has satisfactorily completed the course work which the loan was obtained.

Contestant must submit documentation from the academic-granting college or university or lender, which reflects that the contestant is either the primary or secondary obligor or the loan obligation, and that the loan is for educational expenses. Notice of payments due should be sent to the pageant scholarship board. If the time required for processing the invoice extends the due date, the contestant may submit proof of payment & request reimbursement.

Scholarships may be used for future educational expenses within the time limitation specified below.

Contestant must begin use of her scholarship within one year of the date of the award. If a contestant has no activity in her scholarship account during this period, the funds in her account will be forfeited.

Contestant who begins use of her scholarship within the time designated above will then be required to show continuous activity in her scholarship endeavors up to a limit of one year following the date of the award. If there occurs a one year period in which there is no activity in an account, then the balance of that account will be forfeited.

All runner-up scholarship awards must also be used within one year of the date the award was received.

Scholarships which have been forfeited will remain in the pageant board scholarship account for future awards.

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### **Appearances/Events:**

Title winners will be required to make appearances. Some of these have already been scheduled, and others will be added during your year of service. The Miss Emanuel County/Miss Southeast Georgia Board is not responsible for any accidents that occur during or while traveling to and from personal appearances.

Appearances will include, but not limited to the following:

The dates for the below events are subject to possible changes during the year.

- 1. Competition in the Miss Georgia Pageant (June 8-16, check in June 8)**
- 2. Participation in the Miss Georgia Forum Weekend (1st weekend in March)**
3. Southeast Georgia Jaycee Fair pageants (October)
4. Swainsboro Christmas Parade (December: usually first Thursday in Dec.)
4. Jaycee Empty Stocking Fund (December)
5. Emanuel County Relay for Life (April or May)
5. Rattlesnake & Wildlife Festival (Second weekend in March)
- 6. Emanuel County Pine Tree Festival pageants (April: usually last Saturday in April)**
- 7. Emanuel County Pine Tree Festival parade (First Saturday in May, May 5)**
- 8. Work sessions to prepare for state competition (Every Month)**
- 9. Miss Georgia Send-off Reception (1st or 2nd Thursday in June)**
10. Swainsboro City Council Meetings (TBA)
11. Emanuel County Commissioners Meetings (TBA)
12. Civic Organization Meetings/Events (TBA)
13. Emanuel County School Activities (TBA)
14. Swainsboro/Emanuel County Chamber of Commerce Activities (TBA)
- 15. Events/activities related to the Emanuel County/Southeast Georgia pageants  
Including pageant and rehearsal (First or Second weekend in August)**

All bookings and appearances must be made through the queen's business manager. Title holders must be accompanied by a business manager, pageant board member, or an adult approved by the business manager when representing her title. Title holders are required to spend adequate time in Swainsboro & Emanuel County Georgia. Each contestant crowned should plan to visit Swainsboro/Emanuel County at least once a month if possible. Business managers will provide accommodations in their homes for contestants from out of town. Regular communication between the title holder and the board is expected via phone/text or email. Title holders are expected to contact their business manager each week for updates. Title holders are also encouraged to attend other Miss Georgia preliminaries when schedules permit.

Tardiness for any pageant function or pageant business is unacceptable. Title winners must always be courteous, pleasant, and enthusiastic in public.

Titleholders will dress appropriately at all times. You will not be allowed to wear casual blue jeans while wearing your crown and banner unless approval is given by your director or business manager.

As a titleholders you are a role model and will be expected to act as such at all times and any function. You will also be expected to maintain this policy on social media sites. We encourage the use of social media to promote you, your title and you activities. However, no inappropriate photos or status will be allowed. Your director and business manager will need to be able to see your social media site so they can keep up with your activity.

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### **Competition Selections:**

All competition decisions (talent, wardrobe, mandatory paperwork, etc.) must be approved by our pageant board. These decisions should be finalized and approved in a timely manner based on deadlines.

**All paperwork, pictures, etc. must be approved prior to being sent to state.**

Wardrobe must be complete, approved and showcased at the Miss Georgia send-off reception held in June. Inform anyone making alterations for you of this requirement. Send-off is usually scheduled during the first two weeks of June.

**Talent should be selected by January 15th or before – remember time limit is now 1 ½ minutes.**

Each individual queen may choose her photographer for competition photographs.

### **Other:**

Contestants/titles holders are required to raise money for the Children's Miracle Network.

Title holders will not be allowed to compete in another pageant of any kind during their reign without the approval of the pageant board.

Title holders will not be eligible for the title of either of the sister pageants in the same year she crowns her successor.

Title holders understand that the purpose of the pageant board is for support, guidance and leadership and not monetary contributions.

On the basis of all these statements and agreements, I request the *Emanuel County/ Southeast Georgia Pageants* to accept my application as a contestant in the pageant competition. Once accepted, I agree to comply with all of the terms and conditions of this application and contract, together with its addendum attachments.

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Signature of Contestant

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Date

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Date

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Signature of Emanuel County/Southeast Georgia Board Member

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Date