

**DEPARTMENT 22
CONTESTS**

**SECTION B
PUMPKIN EXTRAVAGANZA
“A FUN CONTEST”**

- **ATTENTION: Mothers, Fathers, Grandmas, Grandpas, and Teachers!**
- All children Pre-school thru Grade 3 are being invited to participate in the PUMPKIN CONTEST during the 2012 Westmoreland Fair.
- The class entered should correspond with the student’s grade in school as of May 1 of the current year.

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	PREMIUMS	\$5.00	\$4.50	\$4.00	\$3.50	\$3.00
CLASS	DESCRIPTIONS					
	Contest 1: Pumpkin Face Painting and Decorating (no carving)					
1.	Pre-School					
2.	Kindergarten					
3.	First Grade					
4.	Second Grade					
5.	Third Grade					
	Contest 2: All Other Squash Painting and Decorating (no carving)					
6.	Pre-School					
7.	Kindergarten					
8.	First Grade					
9.	Second Grade					
10.	Third Grade					
	Best of Show	Rosette				

**DEPARTMENT 22
SECTION E
2012 FAIR SAFETY POSTER CONTEST**



**NO PRE-ENTRY REQUIRED
NO ENTRY FEE**

Entries will be accepted at the Entry Office on Thursday, August 16, 2012 4-8pm

- The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture is once again excited to conduct the PA fair safety poster contest. This year’s contest will promote the importance of food safety and utilize the theme: **“Food Safety on The Fairgrounds.”** The poster exhibits must encourage the concept of safe food preparation and handling by all vendors and volunteer organizations. Some example theme ideas are listed below:
 - Hand-washing practices for food handlers
 - Proper storage and temperature control of food products and condiments
 - Use of sanitizers
- Only one poster (size 14 ½” X 22”) may be submitted per student, per age group – ages 8-11, 12-14, and 15-18. Each entry must fit into his/her age category as of June 1 of the current year.
- Each winner will receive a ribbon from our fair, winning entries will be forwarded to be entered in the state competition.
- Only one poster per age group per fair may be forwarded for the state competition. The Fair Entry Secretary will be responsible for sending the poster and certification to The Department of Agriculture.
- Cash prizes of \$100, \$75, and \$50 will be awarded to the top three entries in each age group during the Pennsylvania State Farm Show, January 2013.

**DEPARTMENT 22
SECTION D
QUEEN CONTEST**

- Application forms are available from the fair office - call Leanna at 724-423-5005
 - Mail all applications to the Westmoreland Fair, Attn: Leanna Landy, PO Box 501, Pleasant Unity, PA 15676
 - **APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE DELIVERED OR MAILED TO THE FAIR OFFICE IN A SEALED ENVELOPE**
- Contact Eleanor Lash with any questions at 724-872-8967

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE:

PA STATE FAIR QUEEN REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a female who is a U.S. citizen and a resident of Pennsylvania.
- Must be at least age 16, but no older than 20 years of age as of June 1 of the year entering the local contest.
- Must be certified as the winner by the local fair where she was crowned.
- May have not been a former local fair queen winner, nor a former State Fair Queen contestant.
- May not hold any other title for any other commodity, group or pageant during her reign.
- Must have her parent(s)' or guardian(s)' consent to enter the competition.
- Must be single, have never been married, have not been pregnant nor given birth to a child.
- Must act in accordance with the PA Fair Queen "Behavior Policy".
- Must meet all time commitments, Queen obligations and Dress Code as set forth by the PA Fair Queen Program.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Must have previously completed **2 years** competitive experience at the Westmoreland Fair.
- Must be a resident of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania.
- Must be a **current, 2-year member** of the organization representing or affiliated with.
- One entrant per 4-H, FFA Club or organized agricultural organization.
- Must be of good moral character.

FAIR QUEEN BEHAVIOR POLICY:

The Contest's Governing Board shall have the sole discretion to determine whether, in its judgment, the Queen, Alternate or Contestants may continue to participate in the Program, in the event that Board determines that any statement or representation is not true and accurate, or that any action is inconsistent with the rules, standards and dignity of the Program.

The following will be considered violations of the Policy and will be grounds for immediate disqualification, dismissal and/or being banned from future Queen competitions:

- Any infractions of any Queen Contest rules.
- Smoking, drinking alcoholic beverages, chewing gum, foul language and/or public displays of affection to dates/boyfriends while wearing crown and/or sash and representing the Queen Program.
- Engagement in any illegal, unpartisan, unethical, indecent and/or morally questionable behavior, including but not limited to online representations on the Internet such as social networking sites (Facebook and MySpace).
- Use of any illegal controlled dangerous substances or abusing the use of alcohol or other dangerous substances.
- Any defamation of the Queen Contest, its winners and contestants, and the Fair or the PA Fair Queen Program and Their directors and Committee members, whether it be oral or written. This includes postings on the Internet.
- Any uncooperative or unsportsmanlike conduct before, during or after the competition.
- Any unsolicited or unauthorized appearances or representations of the Queen Program in crown and banner.

FAIR QUEEN DRESS CODE

Wearing of the Fair Queen crown and/or sash is to be considered an honor and a privilege. The bearer represents herself, her family her community and Fair. Therefore professional appearance is expected while in crown and sash:

- ❖ Attire that is conducive to the specific appearance or event (i.e. business, casual, formal, etc.)
- ❖ No jeans, sneakers, flip flops or boots.
- ❖ No visible piercings (other than earrings) or tattoos.
- ❖ No outfit that is too low cut, too short or too revealing.
- ❖ No clothing that advertises, promotes, or glorifies the use of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or anything inconsistent with the dignity of the Queen Program.

EACH ELIGIBLE CONTESTANT WILL:

- Submit a written essay with application on “What My Fair Means to My Community” (300 words or less)
- Give a short speech the night of the contest on “Why You Should Come to My Fair”
- Attire for the Queen pageant – evening gown
- Must be able to attend the interview and pageant as scheduled
- Attend as many fair week events and dress appropriately if chosen as Fair Queen
- The young woman who is selected as Westmoreland Fair Queen will assist with award presentations during fair week and will represent the fair at certain functions during the year.
- The Fair Queen will be the certified contestant for the State Fair Queen pageant and be eligible to compete for a \$1,000 scholarship.
- The contestants will be judged on Fair involvement, essay, character, personality, poise, appearance, speaking ability, and knowledge of the fair industry.
- The Westmoreland Fair Association pays the queen’s expenses for her to attend the state fair queen competition in January at Hershey.

CLASS 1	QUEEN CONTESTANT	PRIZES
	Queen	\$500.00
	Princess	\$30.00
	(2) Attendants	\$15.00

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