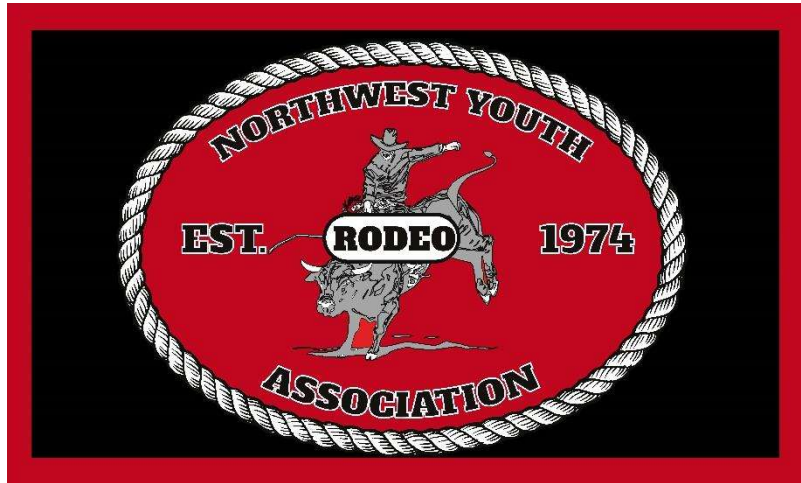


Northwest Youth Rodeo Association



2024 Royal Court Pageant Application

*****Application Deadline: September 5, 2023*****

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July 1, 2022

Dear Potential 2024 Northwest Youth Rodeo Court Contestant,

On behalf of Northwest Youth Rodeo Association and myself, I would like to thank you for your interest in the 2024 Northwest Youth Rodeo Association Court. Our pageant is tentatively scheduled to be held Sunday, September 24, 2023 at a location TBD.

In addition, we are thrilled to have our *2023 Northwest Youth Rodeo Court, Queen Hallie Haslebacher, Princess Paisley Blair and Little Princess Linny Scott* representing our organization. We are excited to be continuing our Little Princess title (ages 6-9) due to the wonderful success in 2023. Details and some limitations on this title will be communicated in the official contestant packet and questions can be directed to Amber Roisterer

After receiving your application, your contestant packet will be sent approximately 1 week after the application deadline. This packet that will include the official Royal Court Handbook, a tentative pageant schedule with more specific wardrobe guidelines, and information regarding the silent auction fundraising requirement for contestants.

Thank you again for your interest in the 2024 Northwest Youth Rodeo Court, I look forward to working with you. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at the information below.

Sincerely,

Amber Riesterer
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Northwest Youth Rodeo Association 2024 Court Pageant Tryouts Information and Procedures

Pageant Date: Sunday, September 24, 2023
Location: TBD
2024 Titles: (3) Queen, Princess, Little Princess

The NWYRA Court represents the Northwest Youth Rodeo Association and its members throughout the Pacific Northwest, appearing in parades, rodeos, luncheons, coronations and other public and promotional activities.

COURT ELIGIBILITY:

1. Court is open all female contestants/members of the NWYRA.
2. Must have reached the age of 10 by July 1st of the pageant year, not exceed the age of 18 as of December 31st of the pageant year.
3. Must be a current, active, paid contestant and in good standing of NWYRA for the current rodeo season and must purchase membership for their year of reign.
4. Must be enrolled and in good standing at their school.
5. Must not be married, never have been married or become married during her reign.
6. Must not be pregnant, become pregnant, nor have children during her reign.
7. Must be of good moral character having never been involved in an act of moral turpitude.
8. Must not have ever been convicted or charged with any criminal action.
9. Must not be under any other contractual obligations which would interfere with your ability to be a NWYRA Court Titleholder.
10. May not compete for other titles in any other pageants of any kind while being a NWYRA Court Titleholder
11. Any previous NWYRA Queens cannot serve on NWYRA Court again.
12. Must attend all NWYRA rodeos, NWYRA Award Banquet and Sponsor Rodeos.
13. Must be willing to abide by the NWYR Rule Book, NWYRA Court Rulebook and Contracts.
14. Must have her own horse (owned or leased) and transportation/trailer.
15. Must secure sponsorships and fundraise in accordance with Section 4(B).

Northwest Youth Rodeo Association 2024 Court Pageant Tentative Schedule

Tryouts are open to the public except for the personal interviews and written test.
Please invite your family and friends to attend the Horsemanship, Speech & Modeling w/ Impromptu questions.

| DATE | TIME | EVENT | PUBLIC/CLOSED |
|----------|------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 09/24/23 | 9:00 a.m. | Pageant Orientation | Contestants/Parents/Committee |
| | | Written Test | |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Personal Interviews | Closed- Judges/Contestants |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Speech Modeling w/ Impromptu Questions | Open to Public |
| | 12:30 p.m. | Horsemanship | Public Welcome |

Please read all of the rules and requirements carefully. You and your parent(s) must have all requested/required documents fully completed, signed/dated prior to tryouts.

If you have questions, feel free to contact the NWYRA Court Advisor who's contact information is referenced above.

Applications must be postmarked by September 5, 2023.

Please mail completed application along with all requested/required documentation to:

Northwest Youth Rodeo Association
Court Advisor, Amber Riesterer
43845 Thomas Dr.
SCIO, OR 97374

We look forward to getting your application!

**Northwest Youth Rodeo Association
2024 Court Pageant
Application**

Contestant Information:

First & Last Name: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Have you ever been married?: _____

Name of Horse: _____ Age of Horse: _____

Description of Horse: _____

Do you have your own truck and trailer?: _____

Parent's Information:

Mother's First & Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Father's First & Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Contestants Personal Statistics:

Height: _____ Blouse Size: _____ Jean Size: _____

Waist & Inseam: _____ Belt Size: _____ Jacket Size: _____

Boot Size: _____ Hat Size: _____

Education:

School Name: _____

Highest year of school completed: _____

Year Graduated: (if applicable): _____

Scholastic Honors & Other Accomplishments (use additional sheets if necessary) :

Are you employed? Yes No?

If yes, will this impact your ability to serve on court? _____

Horsemanship Skills:

List your experience or training that may be helpful in fulfilling this position, especially participation in parades, rodeos, horse shows, etc. (use additional sheets if necessary).

Emergency Contact:

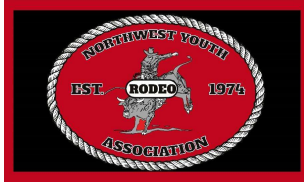
Who should we notify in case of an accident or serious illness?

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Relationship: _____



Northwest Youth Rodeo Association 2024 Court Contract - Parental Guidelines

Welcome to a fun-filled, exhilarating year for you as parents, and for your daughter as a Northwest Youth Rodeo Court Titleholder. As your daughter steps forward and begin their reign, we as an Executive Board hope to make the transition easy by providing some helpful guidelines as you begin this exciting year.

As you travel our state visiting rodeos, parades, pageants and more, please never hesitate to contact the Court Director with any questions that may arise.

1. Parent(s) Personal Conduct

- Parents of titleholders are viewed exactly as our titleholders are, in that you are representatives of NWYRA.
- Please remember that you and your daughter are guests and should be friendly, have a positive attitude displayed at all times.
- Parents should not get caught up in the politics and conversations of local rodeos and events and refrain from getting involved with any gossip, mishaps, or problems that may be happening.
- Parents conduct and actions are maintained appropriately, in good faith, and in the best interest of the NWYRA.
- Parents must interact with everyone in a manner that is appropriate, non-confrontational, and in a manner that serves the best interests of NWYRA.
- The NWYRA Court Director and the NWYRA Executive Board reserve the right to withdraw a title under various conditions including, but not limited to parents or titleholders engaging in behavior that brings into question their honesty, maturity or moral character.
- Age-appropriate representation. While transporting and chaperoning our titleholders we ask that your behavior be that of role models for young women everywhere. Rodeo is a sport that is heavily sponsored by adult products (alcohol and tobacco).
- Please use extreme moderation in regards to adult products. The Titles your children are representing are those designed for minors, and we ask that you be respectful of this, and understand that responsible use of any adult product is acceptable, but misuse can send the wrong message.

2. Horse & Transportation

- a) Titleholders must have her own horse (owned or leased).
- b) Court horses should have previous parade experience.
- c) Only one horse is required, however a backup horse is recommended.
- d) Horses must be healthy, with current vaccinations and worming.
- e) Horses must be kept clean, with feet trimmed and shod.
- f) No Stallions, late term pregnant mares, or mares with foals.
- g) Titleholders and their Parent(s) are expected/responsible to have their own reliable transportation and a horse trailer, being able to get themselves and their horse to every appearance.
- h) Proof of insurance will be required for titleholders' vehicles and trailers and is required at all times.
- i) Truck and trailer must be kept clean.

3. Travel & Court Appearances

- a) NWYRA Rodeos will have first priority for scheduling and titleholders are required to attend all NWYRA Rodeos and the NWYRA Awards Banquet.
- b) Titleholders will be required to help/work at NWYRA Rodeos when not competing as needed.
- c) Titleholders are required to attend the Miss. Rodeo Oregon Queen Clinic.
- d) The Court schedule, events and appearances will be set by Court Director. Any appearances not previously discussed must receive permission in advance from the Court Director.
- e) The NWYRA Court is encouraged to attend other queen related events including coronation dinners, appearing in parades, luncheons, and other public and promotional activities.

- f) Titleholders are expected to be knowledgeable of the sport of rodeo, NWYRA, NWYRA Sponsors, Oregon rodeos and their history, rodeo queen history (specifically, Sponsor Rodeos Royal Court and Miss. Rodeo Oregon) horsemanship, horse husbandry, tack and equipment and current events. Titleholders are expected to be knowledgeable and able to speak confidently and represent herself and the NWYRA in a dignified and honorable manner.
- g) Titleholders will be required to do run-in's during Grand Entry at NWYRA Rodeos, in addition at other rodeos being visited by NWYRA Court.
- h) NWYRA Court may be required to attend two NWYRA board meetings.
- i) Titleholders are required to have a least one (1) parent/chaperone to help at rodeos and appearances.
- j) Titleholders and their Parent(s) are expected/responsible to have their own reliable transportation and a horse trailer being able to get themselves and their horse to every appearance.
- k) All travel, fuel, lodging and meals are not provided and is at the expense of the court member. The Court Director may choose to reimburse these types of expenses at her discretion.
- l) Have prepared short a biography (introduction card) for the Rodeo Announcers, Event Emcees, etc.
- m) Always arrive to appearance 10-15 minutes early, find the coordinator of the event and introduces yourself (if the Court Director is not able to attend).

4. Sample Schedule

As a NWYRA Titleholder, you are required to attend all NWYRA Rodeos and the NWYRA Awards Banquet. In addition, you will have the opportunity, and are encouraged to attend Sponsor Rodeos and other important events in the Rodeo/Queening Community. Below is a monthly schedule that the NWYRA Court has followed in the past. It does take a lot of commitment should you desire to do more than the requirements.

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| <p>January Columbia County Court Coronation Dinner Jr. Miss Rodeo Oregon Coronation Dinner Jefferson County Court Coronation Dinner</p> | <p>July St. Paul Rodeo (PRCA) Molalla Buckaroo Rodeo (PRCA) Eugene Pro Rodeo (PRCA) Philomath Frolic & Rodeo (NPRA) Santiam Canyon Stamped Rodeo (NPRA)</p> |
| <p>February Teen Miss. Rodeo Oregon Coronation Dinner Miss NPRA Coronation Dinner Philomath Frolic & Rodeo Court Coronation Dinner</p> | <p>August Canby Rodeo (PRCA)</p> |
| <p>March Vancouver Horse Expo Canby Rodeo Court Coronation Dinner NW Horse Expo High Desert Stampede (PRCA)</p> | <p>September Ellensburg Rodeo (PRCA) Pendleton Round-Up (PRCA)</p> |
| <p>April St. Paul Rodeo Court Coronation Dinner Women for Ag Dinner & Auction Miss Rodeo Oregon Coronation Dinner</p> | <p>October</p> |
| <p>May Shriner's Hospital Visit Spray Pro Rodeo & Parade (NPRA)</p> | <p>November</p> |
| <p>June Portland Rose Festival Grand Floral Parade Sisters Rodeo & Parade (PRCA) Tillamook Rodeo (NPRA)</p> | <p>December</p> |

If for any reason you will not be able to make an appearance that you have committed to, a minimum of 72 hours notice is suggested. If you are running late, make every attempt to let the Court Director or the hosting committee know the situation and your estimated arrival time.

5. Wardrobe & Personal Appearances

This is an exciting time when the Court Director works the Titleholders to help her plan the wardrobe for their year of reign.

- a) An appearance is defined as any place where you might expect to meet another person interested in speaking to you about NWYRA or the sport of rodeo. This includes travel to and from appearances.
- b) As a title holder it is important that you dress appropriately in wester attire, crown, sash and be perfectly groomed at all times for appearances.
- c) **Make-up** should be applied appropriately for the titleholders age and her skin-tone.
- d) Hair should be curled/styled neatly.

- e) **Nails** should be clean and manicured.
- f) **Pants** should be pressed/starched. Dark blue jeans are permitted when in travel status, under chaps or where appropriate. Faded blue jeans or jeans with holes are not permitted.
- g) **Shirts** should be pressed and starched.
- h) **Hat** should clean and shaped with crown.
- i) **Boots** should be clean, polished and free of mud/dirt.
- j) **Accessories** should be western style, western jewelry, wild rags, etc.
- k) Titleholder must always wear her sash and queen/princess buckle for appearances.
- l) Titleholders may not have any visible tattoos or facial piercings at any time during reign.
- m) The courts wardrobe will be planned/approved/selected by the Court Director and any changes to the wardrobe must be approved by the Court Director.
- n) All clothing is not provided and is at the expense of the court member. The Court Director may choose to reimburse these types of expenses at her discretion.

6. Perpetual Items (owned by NWYRA)

You will be entrusted with certain equipment that is owned and is the property of NWYRA that must be returned at the end of your court reign. This equipment includes, but is not limited to: court crowns, tack set (headstall & breast collar), flags, chaps, serapes, vehicle magnets, flower baskets and similar property. You are solely responsible to maintain, care for, protect, secure and return all such equipment/property immediately upon the request of NWYRA or otherwise, upon your disassociation as Queen/Princess. The NWYRA has the right to hold you responsible for any damage, misuse, failure to return, loss, destruction, or theft or any of the NWYRA equipment/property in your possession.

7. Gratis Items (gifted to Court Members)

Purchased every year for titleholders:

- Belt Buckle
- Sash
- Official NWYRA Queen/Princes Photos
- Autograph Sheets
- Thank You cards
- Miss Rodeo Oregon Queen Clinic

Additional items that may be purchased at the discretion of the Court Director:

- Hats
- Shirts
- Vests
- Jeans/Skirt
- Purse
- Saddle Blanket
- Sport Boots

8. Expenses

- a) No financial assistance is guaranteed.
- b) All travel, fuel, lodging and meals are not provided and is at the expense of the court member.
- c) All clothing is not provided and is at the expense of the court member.
- d) The Court Director may choose to reimburse these types of expenses at her discretion.

9. School Enrollment & Grades

- a) Court members must be enrolled in school, must have passing grades and be in good standing based on grades and conduct and is eligible to participate in school activities.
- b) The Court Director at any time may request records showing current school attendance and grades.

10. Court Biographies

Titleholders are required to prepare a short biography (introduction card) and a long biography. The short biography will be used by Rodeo Announcers, Event Emcees, etc. It is a good idea to have these ready and in your vehicle at all times. The long biography will be put on the NWYRA Website. Court Biographies must be submitted to Court Director for approval.

11. Thank You Cards

Title holders are required to send a thank you card within 14 days of all event/appearance.

12. Remedies

As a representative of the NWYRA Court, parent(s)/guardian(s) agree that, should the NWYRA, in its sole discretion, find you or your daughter in violation of: (a) the NWYRA’s Parental Code of Conduct; NWYRA Rulebook; or any disclosure forms provided to you upon tryouts, the NWYRA reserves the right to ask your daughter to: (1) immediately step down as the Queen/Princess and cease any and all activities on behalf of the NWYRA; (2) seek any direct and indirect damages related to equipment or other personal property, or your failure to report and turn over NWYRA donations, plus interest at the legal rate, until paid; or (3) seek all legal and equitable relief, including an injunction, to refrain you and your daughter from disparaging the public image of the NWYRA; (4) damages in the amount of \$50 per day for any retention of NWYRA property after termination of your association from NWYRA and issuance of a ten (10) day letter of demand by NWYRA and/or (5) the NWYRA’s attorneys fees and costs related to the enforcement of such matters.

By signing below, contestant and parents agree to the Parental Code of Conduct for Titleholders, and have read and understand the above. That you agree to adhere to these guidelines during your daughters Lady in Waiting status and Titleholder year.

Signature of Applicant

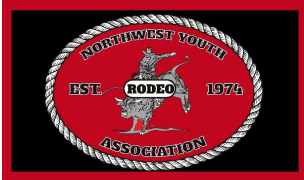
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Signature of Parent(s)

Date

Northwest Youth Rodeo Association Court Director

Date



Northwest Youth Rodeo Association

2024 Court Contract - Hold Harmless / Release of Liability Agreement

I enter this pageant at my own risk and am subject to the pageant rules, both written and verbal.

I do further agree, that that I, my family members, any heirs, administrators, personal representatives and assigns, shall not bring any claims, demands, cause of action, legal action and legal liability against, and will hold harmless and discharge the NWYRA, its associates, agents, officers, directors, representatives, NWYRA members, assigns, premises owners, contracted persons, affiliated organizations and insurers from any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of action of any sort, including economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, property damage sustained to by me or my horse, any damage or loss to my property resulting from my participation in any event, rodeo performance, activity, or parade for the entire term of my reign as Queen or Princess

By signing below, contestant and parents agree to the Hold Harmless/Release of Liability Agreement, and have read and understand the above. That you agree to adhere to these guidelines during your Lady in Waiting status and Titleholder year.

Signature of Applicant

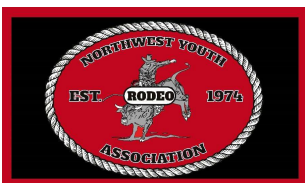
Date

Signature of Parent(s)

Date

Northwest Youth Rodeo Association Court Director

Date



**Northwest Youth Rodeo Association
2024 Court Contract - Photographer Release**

(Must be filled out by photographer)

Please provide 1 – 8x10 color photo (photo will be returned).
Photo should be a head and shoulder shot, western style hat and blouse, no crowns or banners.

Permission to use copyright Print:

Person in Photograph: _____

Photographers Name: _____

Photographers Business Address: _____

Photographers Phone: _____

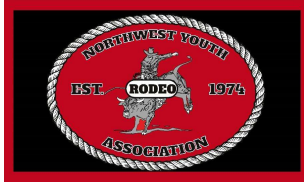
Photographers email: _____

As the photographer and copyright owner of the print, I grant permission for my print to be used in the Northwest Youth Rodeo Pageant and for pageant publicity purposes. The print will not be used for any purpose beyond those stated by Northwest Youth Rodeo Association.

Photographer Signature

Date

Photographer Printed Name



Northwest Youth Rodeo Association 2024 Court Contract - Social Networking Policy

The following is the Northwest Youth Rodeo Association Courts Social networking policy.

The absence of, or lack of explicit reference to a specific internet and/or web site does not limit the extent of the application of this policy. Where no policy or guideline exists, titleholders should use their professional judgment and take the most prudent action possible. Consult with your Advisor if you are uncertain.

1. Any social medial posts should have clear disclaimers that the views expressed by the author in the blog is the author's alone and do not represent the views of the NWYRA. Be clear and write in first person. Make your writing clear that you are speaking for yourself and not on behalf of the NWYRA or your title.
2. Your posts and comments on all social media platforms should always reflect exemplary conduct. Please conduct yourself accordingly through your words and photos.
3. No photographs with or about a significant other while representing NWYRA.
4. Be respectful to the NWYRA, yourself, other title holders, your sponsors, NWYRA sponsors, and possible pageant competitors.
5. Social media activities should not interfere with titleholder responsibilities or pageant rules and regulations.
6. Your online presence reflects the NWYRA and your title. Be aware that your actions captured via images, posts, or comments can reflect that of the NWYRA and your title as well.
7. Do not reference or site sponsors, other title holders, or rodeos without their express consent.
8. Respect copyright laws, and reference or site sources appropriately. Plagiarism applies online as well.
9. NWYRA logos and trademarks may not be used without written consent.
10. Ultimately you should be mature, be ethical, and think before you type or post.
11. The NWYRA Executive Board reserves the right to determine if posts are acceptable and within moral standards set forth in the Code of Conduct.

Violation of this policy can result in disciplinary action, up to and including the removal of your title and crown. The Northwest Youth Rodeo Association Officers and Board of Directors reserves the right to decide such disciplinary action at any time during your reign.

By signing below, contestant and parents agree to the Social Networking Policy, and have read and understand the above. That you agree to adhere to these guidelines during your Lady in Waiting status and Titleholder year.

Signature of Applicant

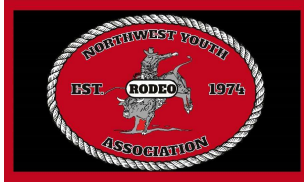
Date

Signature of Parent(s)

Date

Northwest Youth Rodeo Association Court Director

Date



Northwest Youth Rodeo Association 2024 Court - Pageant application checklist

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| 1. | Pageant Application, completed & signed | |
| 2. | Parental Code of Conduct for Titleholders, signed | |
| 3. | Hold Harmless / Release of Liability Agreement, signed | |
| 4. | Photographer Release, signed by Photographer | |
| 5. | Social Networking Policy, signed | |
| 6. | Statement of why you want to be part of the NWYRA Court (50 words or less) | |
| 7. | \$50.00 Application Fee. Check made payable to NWYRA | |
| 8. | 1 - 8x10 color photo | |