



2023 Grant County Rodeo Court Tryouts August 5th- August 13th

Applications due July 25th, 2022 to the Grant County fair office
Mandatory meeting with all applicants August 1st, 2022 at the fair office

The Grant County Fair and Rodeo board of directors and Queen and Court Committee would like to thank you for your interest in the Grant County Royal Court.

For our Royal Court members, we are looking for young horsewomen with outgoing personalities who enjoy meeting people and speaking publicly about Grant County and its events in a variety of situations including, but not limited to, civic luncheons, radio and television spots, and schools, local events held at and around Grant County Fairgrounds. Weekends are generally booked from Mid-March through the end of September. This position needs to be treated like a job, meaning you will put rodeo court appearances as a main priority.

Members of our Royal Court must also be able to ride and present their mounts at their best at all parades, playdays and rodeo runs. A good ranch type horse as a Quarter horse is preferred; a grade horse is acceptable if it meets this criteria. Please read the entire application including requirements and expectations before applying.

During the try-outs, candidates are judged on personal appearance, personality, and poise at all times.

ORDER OF EVENTS:

We will be arranging the schedule with the understanding that applicants will be participating in The Grant County Fair and 4-H events.

- a. The mandatory meeting: Contestants must attend the mandatory meeting with the Fair manager, President of the Fairboard and Court Advisor Monday August 1st, 2022.
- b. Rodeo run in: Contestants must attend the 2022 Grant County ICA Rodeo August 5th and 6th and at the Grant County Jr rodeo August 7th. They will participate in grand entry with a judges queens run in along with carrying sponsor flags and selling 50/50 raffle tickets.

- c. A personal interview during fair week: Queen and Court Committee will ask questions about the sport of Rodeo, Grant County history, current world affairs, and each candidate's life experiences. Dates TBD.
- d. A fashion show and modeling: During the week of fair, contestants will attend and participate in the 4-H fashion show and perform a modeling run as they are walking on stage to give their speech. Monday August 8th, 6pm.
- e. A speech/ impromptu questions delivered using a microphone during fair week: Good eye contact, quality of voice enunciation, interesting content, and speed of delivery are all points evaluated. The speech must be a three to four minute speech about yourself, your horse, or something you think would impress the Judges. Dates TBD.
- f. Execution of a set reining pattern with a flag presentation: We're looking for a confident rider and a well-mannered horse with a professional, polished way of going. YOU NEED TO RIDE THE HORSE YOU PLAN TO USE DURING YOUR REIGN IF YOU ARE CHOSEN TO BE ON THE COURT. Tuesday August 9th, 6pm.
- g. Parade Entry: Contestants will participate in the 113Th Grant County parade Saturday August 13th, 2022. Judging for the parade is at 10am, please be ready by 9am, parade starts at 11am.
- h. An informal social gathering with your parents.

Parents, relatives, and friends of contestants are welcome to attend tryouts and all public events but there will be no coaching from the sidelines.

Grant County Fair and Rodeo Court, applicants and families are expected to display the highest degree of sportsmanship during and following the pageant.

The selection will be made on a point score system. The highest scorer to be named Queen and the second/third highest will be named Princesses. Judges reserve the right to select less than 3 Court members and all judges' decisions are final.

If a contestant is on the current Grant County Rodeo Royal Court, they are NOT guaranteed a spot on the next year's court. Previous Queens of the Grant County Rodeo are not eligible to try out. Former Princesses of the Grant County Rodeo may try out for the Queen position, if they are not chosen as Queen but as a Princess they can then serve as a Grant County Rodeo Princess once again.

All court members can only serve a maximum total of three years on the Grant County Rodeo Royal Court and must retry out every year. You can serve two years as Princess and one year as Queen but not three years as Princess.



Grant County Rodeo Court Application

APPLICANT:

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____ Age _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

PARENTS:

Mother _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Father _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Education (High School, College, Special Training):

Current GPA: _____

Scholastic Honors, Volunteer Services & Other Accomplishments (High School to Present):

Scholastic Ambitions & Life Ambitions:

Hobbies:

Why I want to become part of the Grant County Rodeo Court:

Please include a brief description of your horse:

SIZE CHART – include with your application

Since the Grant County Fair and Rodeo supplies the wardrobe for the Royal Court it is necessary to have the sizes of the competitors so we can immediately order items after the competition.

Jean Size _____ Inseam _____

Jacket Size _____

Sweatshirt Size _____

Long Sleeve Shirt Size _____

Belt Size _____

Cowboy Hat Size _____

Cowboy Boots Size _____

Do you have your ears pierced _____

Pick Two or Three Favorite Colors _____

Picture of Family Horse and/ or Cattle Brand _____

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

Signature of Fairboard Court Director _____ Date _____

Signature of Fair Manager _____ Date _____

Signature of Court Advisor _____ Date _____



Grant County Rodeo Court
2023 Eligibility Requirements & Court Expectations
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I certify I meet these requirements to serve on the Grant County Rodeo Court:

Year of Reign: *October 1st, 2022 through September 30th, 2023*

Age: Applicants must be 15-19 years old and a Homeschooled Student or in High School. Applicants must be 15 years of age by July 1st, 2022.

Marital Status: I have never been married or engaged and agree not to during my reign.

Parental Status: I have never been pregnant and agree not to become pregnant during the year of reign. I am not the parent or legal guardian of a child.

Residency: Applicant must be a Grant County or a surrounding County resident.

No criminal offense: I have not been convicted of any crime or misdemeanor (excluding minor traffic offenses).

Health: I am in good health and without any health concerns which would lead to my inability to safely and fully participate in the pageant and/or court activities if I am chosen.

If chosen for the Grant County Rodeo Court, I agree to abide by these expectations and rules:

Horse: Horses must be healthy, with current vaccination and worming, kept clean, trimmed and shod. I will provide transportation, am responsible and will pay all medical bills for my horse. **No stallions, late term pregnant mares, or mares with foals allowed.** Horses face, ears and legs must be trimmed, manes and tails must be brushed out (No tail knots). Ropes are not allowed on saddles at any time including warm-up, parades, arena work and run ins, *horses will not wear get down ropes and are required to use the headstall and reins provided by the Grant County Fairboard.* I will have a minimum of one attendant for all functions involving horses. I will ride an approved horse. If I am unable to use my tryout horse for any reason, the new horse will need to go through the horsemanship portion of the contest in order to be approved.

Time: ***This position is required to be treated as a job.*** I will have **sufficient free** time for all court events including wardrobe fittings, local Grant County fairground events, parades, rodeos, speaking engagements, media interviews and photo shoots. I will make the **court appearances a priority.**

Communication: I will provide a reply to all communication within 24 hours.

Good Character: I will emulate high morals; abide by the laws of the land, be an outstanding citizen, and promote the ideals of society. ***I will voluntarily relinquish a certain amount of freedom in personal choices and activities while holding this position of public scrutiny and responsibility.*** I will display a high level of morality, integrity, honesty, fairness, sincere concern, public service, poise, tact, and the traditional, family-oriented western lifestyle. I shall conduct myself at all times to reflect most favorably on myself and Grant County. I must portray good sportsmanship to other court members, Fair Board, Court Advisors and all people I may encounter. No public display of affection, misconduct, illegal and/or illicit behavior, will not be tolerated and may be cause for immediate dismissal.

Illegal Substances/tobacco, vape, alcohol, marijuana products: I do not and will not use any illegal or controlled substances (other than prescription medications and only in the manner they are prescribed) including tobacco, vape, alcohol and marijuana products, nor do I abuse alcohol or other dangerous substances. I will not use alcohol if under age and will not use alcohol at events related to Grant County nor post any alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or vape products use on my social media sites.

Profanity: I will not use profanity in my vocabulary.

Tattoos/piercings: I will not have any visible tattoos or piercings while representing Grant County. Earrings are permitted.

Attire/timeliness: I will arrive at all events ***fully dressed in royalty attire and on time or early.*** This means that the titleholder's hair is to be curled, pulled back off her face/ears and neatly done, the queen's hat is to be on with crown, and she is to be in her appropriate royalty attire, provided and pre-approved by the Advisor, Fair Manager and Court Director.

Respect: Lack of respect of authority, including board members, parents, chaperones, or anyone else, is not acceptable. I understand I am being watched by the public even when ***behind the scenes.***

Social media: I agree that my social media, or any other public profile is subject for review by the Court Advisor, Fair Manager, or Court Director. I will remove any item deemed inappropriate. All accounts should be secured to only be viewed by friends and those approved to view. I will promote Grant County by sharing all Grant County Fairgrounds posts.

Removal of titles: I have not had any previous rodeo titles removed for any reason.

Unable to serve: I agree should I move away or be unable, or unwilling, to fulfill the years duties the Grant County Advisor, Fair Manager and Board of Directors can decide to appoint a runner-up.

Abide by Rules: I understand any infraction of these rules by a titleholder may result in disqualification and/or removal and forfeiture of prizes and/or forced resignation upon review of the Court Advisor, Fair Manager and Board of Directors. ***I understand that serving on the Grant County Rodeo Court is a privilege not a right.*** I understand that the Court Advisor, Fair Manager and Board of Directors reserves the right and have the authority to enforce these rules and choose who represents Grant County.

Provided Attire and Equipment: I understand the Grant County Rodeo Court will provide jeans, arena shirts, jewelry, sashes, belt, buckle, scarves, boots, coat, parade outfit including chaps, dress outfit, Miss Rodeo America standard traditional cowboy hat, saddle pad, splint boots and silk flower pack. I will keep these items in good repair and always arrive at official appearances with the necessary, approved wardrobe items. These items will be fitted to each court member at the beginning of her reign, if for some reason sizes change the court member is responsible for purchasing new identical items or paying for alterations. These items will be the property of the court member if she successfully completes her reign, if she is unable to complete her reign for any reason she is to immediately return all items.

Loaned equipment: I understand I will have the use of a crown, serape, headstall, reins and breast collar. I understand these items are the property of the Grant County Fair and Rodeo and I will return them in good repair after the reign is complete.

Wardrobe: I agree that all wardrobe selections, changes or alterations must be coordinated and approved by the Court Advisor, Fair Manager and Court Director.

- Both the colors for the year and chaps will be chosen by the Court Advisor, Fair Manager and Court Director with the consideration of the fair theme for the year of reign.
- Traditional western style cowboy hats must be CLEAN and worn at all times. The shape of the cowboy hats will follow the Miss Rodeo America Standard, all hats MUST be the same shape and will be chosen by the Court Advisor, Fair Manager and Court Director.
- When wearing a crown on the western hat, the hat band must be removed.
- Hat must maintain shape or it will be reshaped immediately.
- Hat must be secured properly to head in order to NEVER come off during any horsemanship event.
- All skirts must be at least knee length or longer.
- Fashion boots must be worn for a dress outfit.
- If spurs are worn, they must only be worn during horsemanship and removed after dismounting.
- Hair must be pulled back for ALL horsemanship activities inside the arena and must be worn down and curled during any other activities. Straight hair can be pre-approved by the Court Advisor.
- Boots must be clean at all times meaning they must be wiped off regularly especially after horsemanship activities.

Required Appearances

Court appearances/ events are subject to change

- Coronation November 19th, 2022
- Timber Truckers Light Parade
- Carrie Young Memorial
- Radio Appearances

- Selling Fair, Rodeo & Concert Tickets Around Town
 - Chesters
 - Les Schwab
 - Grant County Chamber of Commerce
- Harney County Coronation
- Miss Rodeo Oregon Coronation
- Miss Rodeo Oregon Queen Clinic (All the days)
- Local Grant County Fairgrounds Events
- Spray Rodeo Memorial weekend
 - Parade Saturday
 - Both Rodeo Performances
- Eastern Oregon Livestock Show PRCA Rodeo
- 62 Days Parade
- Demolition Derby
- Crooked River Roundup PRCA Rodeo
 - Grand entry Friday
 - Parade Saturday
 - Queens luncheon Saturday
 - Grand entry Saturday night
- Ukiah ICA Rodeo
- 4th of July Parade (Court will be present at the local community events chosen by the Court advisor, Fair Manager, Court Director and current court members)
- 4th of July Rodeo (After local events are fulfilled)
- Jefferson County Fair & NPRA Rodeo
 - Miss NPRA Tryouts
- Cinnabar Mountain Playdays (All Dates) (Grand entry, volunteering, autographs)
 - Mandatory if another rodeo/ Event is not already on the schedule
 - Dates TBD
- Grant County Jr Rodeo(Grand entry, volunteering, autographs)
 - Dates TBD
- Deschutes County Fair & NPRA Rodeo
 - Grand entry Friday
 - Parade Saturday
 - Queens luncheon Saturday
 - Grand entry Saturday
- Grant County ICA Rodeo
 - Dates TBD
- Grant County Fair
 - 4H Events ALL week
 - Wednesday- Team Branding and Dog Trails
 - Friday- Appearance at the Concert (Help with gate, seating people, autographs)
 - Saturday- Parade

- Saturday- Hamsher Fighting Bulls (Grand entry, autographs)
- 2023 Grant County Fair & Rodeo Court tryouts
 - Date TBD
- Oregon Trail Pro NPRA Rodeo
 - Both Rodeo Performances
 - Parade Saturday Morning
- Labor Day Weekend Rodeo
- Harney County Fair and Rodeo
 - Both Rodeo Performances
 - Parade Saturday Morning
- Pendleton Roundup PRCA Rodeo
 - Parade Saturday
 - Queens Luncheon
 - Rodeo Performance Saturday
- ICA Final Rodeo
 - Dates TBD
- Coronation of future Grant County Rodeo Court November 2023

1. All appearances, whether fair sponsored, local or out of county, must have the Fair Court Advisors' approval first.
2. All traveling and meals for appearances must be budgeted.
3. Participation in Fair sponsored activities throughout the year is strongly encouraged as time permits.
4. If an out of county event conflicts with a local event, the local event takes precedence.

Finances

1. The Grant County Fair Board has budgeted \$500 per member if the court is in need of financing
2. Each Court member is expected to raise money that they expect to budget through fund-raising, sponsorship and/or donations to cover additional expenses.
 - Any fund-raising and/or sponsorship drives must first have the approval of the Grant County Fair Board, Fair Manager, and Court Advisor
 - All monies raised must be deposited into the Grant County Fairgrounds budget and becomes the property of the Grant County Fairgrounds under the Grant County Queen & Court **Line # 3031216**
 - All purchases must be pre-approved by the court advisor and fair manager. Any purchase over \$500 must have 3 quotes and be approved by The County Court.

If the Fair Court Advisor does not approve of the purchase for reasons outlined in the section titled Financial responsibilities of The Fair Court members the Fair Court Advisor shall make a note of why the approval

was denied and provide this information to The Fair Court member(s) who submitted the invoice within 10 business days.

- All receipts from any purchases must include, where, what, when and who. Must give the original to the court advisor.
 - The Fair Manager will send a monthly profit and loss report via email to the court advisor and court members.
- 3.** At the beginning of each Fair Court reign, the Court Advisor and Court members will prepare their annual budget and turn it into the Fair Board for approval. The budget must be presented to the Fair Board within 60 days of coronation.
- 4.** At the end of reign the balance of the Grant County Queen & Court Line # 3031216 needs to be a minimum of \$_____ for the 2024 Court Reign any funds over that amount will be either left in the fund for any revolving items that need to be replaced, future courts or donated for improvement at the Grant County Fair and Rodeo Grounds. This will be voted on by the court and approved by the fair board on a yearly basis. If The Grant County Fair and Rodeo Court Line # 3031216 exceed \$7000 at the end of reign it must be used for purchase for the fair and rodeo court or fair and rodeo improvements

Fair Court Outfits

- 1.** The Grant County Fair Court outfits will be decided upon by the Court Advisor, Fair Manager, and Fair Court Director and stay within the approved budget submitted.
- 2.** The Fair Board highly recommends that purchase items from Grant County Fair and Rodeo sponsors first (list attached), locally second.
- 3.** Outfits should be clean, neat and pressed, consisting of a traditional western cowboy hat, shirts/jackets, jeans, boots, belt & buckle. Chaps are required for parades and run-ins. Saddle bouquets are required for parades. When sashes are worn right shoulder to left hip.
- 4.** All items purchased are the property of the Court member at the end of her reign unless dismissed from the court. If a court member chooses they may donate any purchased items to the Grant County Fair and Rodeo Courts Queen Closet for future court members to use.
- 5.** The Grant County Fair Board provides each member with the following revolving items:

1 Crown	1 Headstall
1 Serape	1 Set of Reins
1 Breast Collar	1 Flag Boot

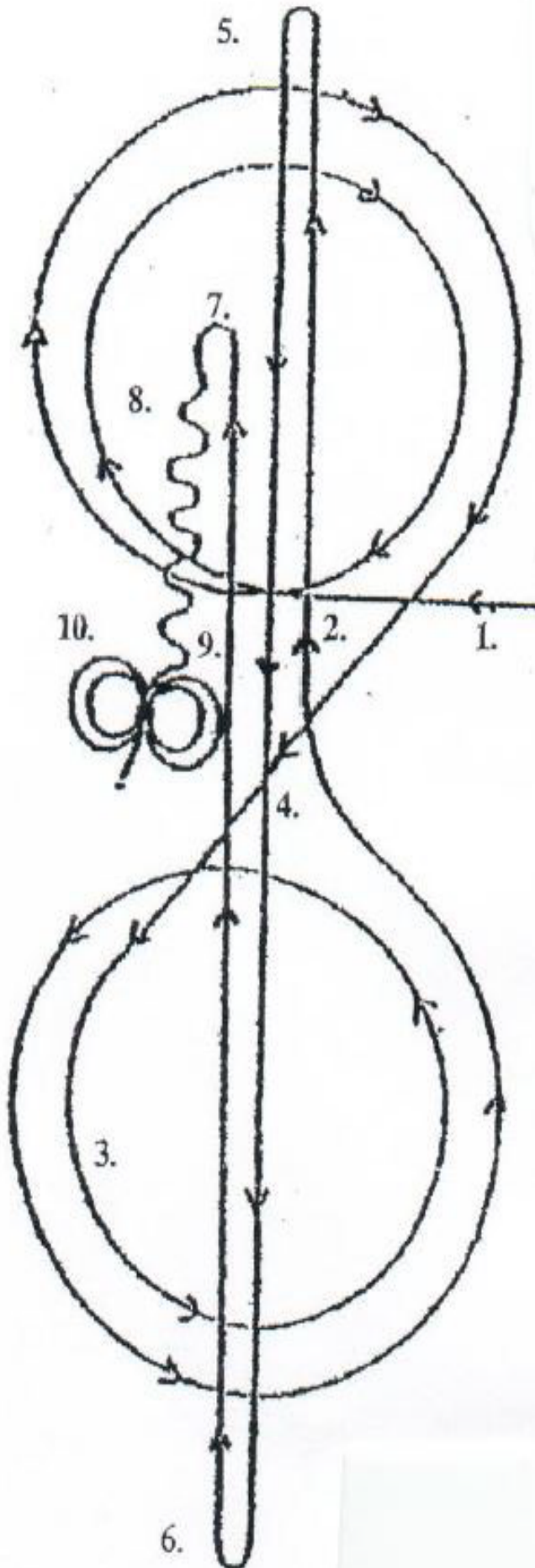
These items remain the property of the Grant County Fair Board. These items are to be returned in the same or better condition at the end of each reign by or before September 30th. See attached inventory and sign out form.



Item	Date Checked Out:	Court Member Initial:	Advisor Initial:	Date Checked in:	Court Member Initial:	Advisor Initial:	Total Inventory:
Queen Crown							1
Princess Crown #1							1
Princess Crown #2							1
Queen Serape							1
Princess Serape #1							1
Princess Serape #2							1
Queen Breast Collar							1
Princess Breast Collar #1							1
Princess Breast Collar #2							1
Headstall #1							1
Headstall #2							1
Headstall #3							1
Reins #1							1
Reins #2							1
Reins #3							1

Tryout Pattern:

(Grand stands are on the left of the pattern & bucking chutes to the right)



1) Enter the arena at Eastside gate.

2) Wait for the judges nod to begin.

3) Turn right and walk around the rail of the arena towards the bucking chutes.

4) Once in the center of the arena stop.

5) Begin at the center of the arena. Complete two circles to the right: The first, small and slow, the second, large and fast.

6) Change leads at the center of the arena.

7) Complete two circles to the left: The first, small and slow, the second, large and fast.

8) Change leads at the center of the arena

9) Run to the far end of the arena and do a left rollback - no hesitation.

10) Run to opposite end of arena and do a right rollback - no hesitation

11) Run past the center of the arena and do a sliding stop.

12) Back straight to the center of the arena. Hesitate.

13) Complete two spins to the right.

14) Complete two spins to the left.

15) Make a rodeo run, waving to people.

16) Execute a sponsor flag run, one and half circles, stop in the middle of the arena, acknowledge judges when finished.

17) Exit arena.

