

2026 BAXTER COUNTY FAIR PAGEANT

Saturday, August 29th, 2026, 6:00 pm Dunbar Auditorium, Mtn. Home High School

All contestants must be residents of Baxter County and must register by the child's legal name. Contestants must not be, or have been, married or have children. There is no entry fee.

Divisions for all ages: Girls 3-23; Boys 3-5.

Reigning winners may not compete in the same category the following year. They may compete if they are eligible to move up a category due to age. However, they must choose to crown or compete.

Admission to Dunbar Auditorium is \$5 for adults and students, children 5 and under free.

Registration will be taken **ONLINE ONLY** through Wednesday, August 26th, 2026. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

The Baxter County Fair Pageant is conducted by the Baxter County Fair Association. Please print and read rules and regulations provided online, as changes have been made. You may register 24 hours a day. Registrants may be contacted with any question about applications via email. Pageant questions should be directed to Tammy Barnes at tammyb66@live.com or via text at 870-404-7211.

Rules/Regulations:

There will be NO rehearsals before the pageant.

The Baxter County Fair Pageant will begin at 6:00 pm on Saturday, August 29, 2026 at Dunbar Auditorium. Divisions will run concurrent as time allows. BE THERE EARLY!

Divisions are as follows:

Ages 3-5 - Tiny Tot King

Ages 3-4 - Tiny Tot Queen

Ages 5-6 - Tiny Miss

Ages 7-8 - Petite Miss

Ages 9-10 – Little Miss

Ages 11-13 – Princess Miss

Ages 14-17 – Junior Miss

Ages: Senior in High School- 23 – Miss Baxter County

Age Requirements:

Contestants enter the age division he or she will be on the day of the pageant (August 29rd, 2026).

OPTIONAL SIDE AWARDS

For a fee of \$25 you can purchase a Side Award Package. The package includes all 4 categories:

- Best Personality
- Prettiest Hair
- Best Dressed
- Prettiest Smile

Winners will be recognized on stage

Please send payment to:

Tammy Barnes

2293 CR 46

Henderson, AR 72544

or

We will invoice you through your email!

Question: Text or call Tammy Barnes at 870-404-7211

AUDIENCE CHOICE AWARD

We will have an Audience Choice Award in each category again this year. The public will be able to vote for their favorite contestant. A table will be set up in the lobby to cast your vote. Votes are \$1 each. You may vote as many times as you wish. Winners will be recognized on stage.

OVERALL AUDIENCE CHOICE AWARDS

We will have three overall Audience Choice Awards.

The categories are:

- (Tiny Tot king, Tiny Tot Queen and Tiny Miss)
- (Petite Miss, Little Miss, and Princess Miss)

- (Teen Miss and Miss Baxter County)
Winners will be recognized on stage.

CONDUCT: There will be NO TOLERANCE of any unsportsmanlike behavior or language by contest, parent or guardian. Such behavior will result in immediate disqualification of the contestant and all involved will be escorted from the premises.

PAGEANT CONTESTANTS are judged on the following:

1. BEAUTY: Physical appearance.
2. POISE AND STAGE PRESENCE: Grace and carriage of body.
3. APPROPRIATE DRESS FOR AGE: Gown, make-up and overall appearance.
4. PERSONALITY: Smile; friendliness.

JUDGES are from outside Baxter County and are experienced & qualified. We strive to be sure the contest is non-biased.

ONE ADULT PER CONTESTANT will be allowed in the dressing area and will pay the admission price of \$5.00.

NO MALES ALLOWED IN THE BACKSTAGE DRESSING AREA. One adult is required to be on stage and escort their child across the stage during the pageant.

**** NO ONE IS ALLOWED IN THE WINGS OF THE STAGE EXCEPT THE CONTESTANTS AND MEMBERS OF THE PAGEANT COMMITTEE.**

**** YOUNGER SIBLINGS AND BABIES NOT IN THE CONTEST ARE NOT ALLOWED BACKSTAGE AT ANYTIME.**

**** PAGEANT PERSONNEL ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILD AFTER BEING DISMISSED FROM THE STAGE.**

PICTURES: Contestants' pictures need to be taken BEFORE going on stage. Only the winners' pictures will be taken afterwards.

Only first names will be announced from the stage (no last names)

No hand-held items: flowers, purses, umbrellas, etc. No gum, food or drinks in the building. NO SMOKING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY. No use of glitter, in hair or on clothing, will be allowed (auditorium regulations).

CONDUCT: ANYONE causing a problem will be escorted off the premises by Security Personnel.

The pageant personnel are NOT RESPONSIBLE for lost or misplaced items and contestants may NOT store items in the dressing rooms.

Parade – Guidelines for the parade have changed this year. More information will be given the night of the pageant to those that qualify. Winners will need to supply their own vehicle and signage for the parade.

The Junior Miss will have an onstage question. We will send out a list compiled of 3 questions to all the contestants, but the contestant will only draw one from a bowl the night of and answer on stage.

The Miss Contestants will also have an onstage question. We will send out a list compiled of 20 questions to all of the contestants, but contestants will only draw one from a bowl the night of and answer on stage.

TEEN MISS & MISS BAXTER COUNTY DUTIES:

You need to help at the:

1. Saturday morning with the Kid's activities, etc.
2. Attend the Parade of Champions and present trophies
3. Promote the fair at events during the year We would appreciate your presence as much as possible during the fair.

Teen and Miss Baxter County Fair Queens are eligible to go to the Arkansas State Fair Pageant this year. Please see Tammy Barnes for all of the requirements and details for the State Pageant.

NOTE: By accepting these rules, you grant the Baxter County Fair Association, the Fair Pageant organizers, and the owners of baxtercountyfair.org permission to use any picture or likeness of you or your child taken at the pageant in any

reasonable print or electronic publication. This may include, but is not limited to: NEWSPAPERS, FAIR PROGRAM, NEWSLETTERS, PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS, WEB SITES, FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM, AND TWITTER.

2026 BAXTER COUNTY BABY CONTEST
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Rules/Regulations:

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Ages 0-12 months girls – Baby Miss

Ages 0-12 months boys – Baby Mr.

Ages 13-24 months girls – Wee Miss

Ages 13-24 months boys – Wee Mr.

Ages 25-35 months girls – Toddler Miss

Ages 25-35 months boys – Toddler Mr.

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