



# Miss Mescalero Pageant

2022-2023

**Contestant Information Packet**

Contains information regarding  
code of conduct, guidelines,  
talent competition, and agreements



## CONTESTANT'S INFORMATION

Contestant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Census Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Contestant signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

- Please submit a copy of Certificate of Indian Blood from Mescalero Apache Tribe

Note: Keep a copy for your records



## AGREEMENT

### *CODE OF CONDUCT & GUIDELINES AGREEMENT*

*As a Contestant for the title of Miss Mescalero,*

- A. You must be an enrolled member of the Mescalero Apache Tribe.
- B. You must be and have always been a female.
- C. You must be at least eighteen (18) years of age on or before the Pageant date and no older than twenty-four (24) years of age on the Pageant date.
- D. You must not be married and must have never been married.
- E. You affirm that you are not currently pregnant, or ever been pregnant. In addition, you cannot be a legal guardian or adoptive parent of any child.
- F. You must be of good moral character.
- G. You must have a good attitude about yourself at all times.
- H. You are required to respect, cooperate, and participate with fellow contestants.
- I. It is mandatory that you conduct yourself above; and beyond reproach; no drinking, drugs, or smoking in public.
- J. You must have never been convicted of any criminal offense, no pass, no pending, or current charges.
- K. You must be, to the best of your knowledge, be in good health without historical or current medical conditions of disabilities that will impede your ability to participate.
- L. You must be knowledgeable in Mescalero culture, history, values, traditions, and language.
- M. You must have a high school diploma or GED certificate.
- N. You must not be registered for active duty with any military services.
- O. You must not have previously held the title of Miss Mescalero.
- P. You must be willing and be able to communicate with the public.
- Q. You must not have visible tattoos, or body piercings (except for ears).
- R. Hair color must be natural color.
- S. You shall participate in all scheduled Pageant activities.
- T. Disobeying the code of code, and guidelines agreement will result in disqualification.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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Contestant Name

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## Duties & Responsibilities

- A. Miss Mescalero is responsible for the care and safekeeping of the crown and banner during her reign. Any damages or loss of the Crown or Sash Belt will be reported to the Cultural Affairs Committee and Miss Mescalero will be responsible for immediate repairs or replacement. Miss Mescalero is fully aware the Crown and Sash Belt is the property of the Mescalero Apache Tribe.
- B. Miss Mescalero will always be a positive role model and is expected to conduct herself at all times in a manner above reproach.
- C. Miss Mescalero will arrive on time to all scheduled events. In case of any unforeseen emergency situation, she will immediately contact the Miss Mescalero Pageant Committee Chair Persons.
- D. Miss Mescalero will set goals related to her platform that should be reasonable and obtainable during her reign. Such goals / platform must be submitted to the Miss Mescalero Pageant Committee for review and approval.
- E. Miss Mescalero crown is a perpetual crown, she will hand down her crown to the next Miss Mescalero.
- F. Miss Mescalero is considered a representative of the Mescalero Apache Tribe and will submit a written quarterly report to the Cultural Affairs Committee throughout her reign.
- G. Miss Mescalero will take an active role in recruiting future Miss Mescalero contestants.
- H. Miss Mescalero will be responsible for planning and executing her farewell event, she will submit in writing her plans to the Miss Mescalero Pageant Committee for consideration.
- I. Miss Mescalero may attend various functions throughout the community. She may travel to out of state events with at least two-week advance notice and the submission of a required travel request. She may travel with two (2) adults, preferably her family members, to act as chaperones for her.

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Contestant Name

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## Miss Mescalero Media Release Agreement

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby agree to, and authorize the use and reproduction in any form of electronic media release for the sole purpose of the Miss Mescalero Pageant Committee, and Cultural Affairs Committee. Any and all recorded images of me with my name or without my name that have been taken during the duration of the pageant for publishing purpose or any other purpose not specifically mentioned herein, without compensation, in perpetuity.

I acknowledge that all images, electronic, negatives, and prints are owned by the Mescalero Apache Tribe.

I agree that the Miss Mescalero Pageant Committee, and Cultural Affairs Committee shall have the right to edit and distribute said recordings in any and all electronic media as needed, and to reproduce still shots or video clips in media, electronically as needed, or any other form of media.

I acknowledge that this release is irrevocable, and that I have read it thoroughly and to the best of my ability understand the terms of this release agreement.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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Contestant Name

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Contestant signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Name

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Parent/Guardian signature

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## Miss Mescalero Contest Categories

### 1. Speech – Time Limit: 3-5 mins

- a. Introduce yourself and give a background about you.
- b. Tell us about yourself and what motivated you to run for this title.

### 2. Essay

- a. To be presented to the Judges on Saturday November 19, 2022, starting at 4 pm
- b. Title – “Title in Apache”  
“Title in English”
- c. Computer printed / type written, double space, cover page with title and Contestant’s name
- d. At least 500 words, but not more than 1,000 words
- e. Must be written in English

### 3. Traditional Talent / Skill Presentations – Time Limit: Seven (7) minutes)

- a. Write a brief description of your talent, please submit a copy with your application by October 21, 2022.
- b. Pre-recorded music can accompany performance as background music
- c. Use of video, Power Point presentation is allowed up to five (5) minutes only
- d. You must provide your own props (limit of up to eight (8) props), please come prepared.
- e. If you have accompaniment, please indicate so to committee in writing.

### 4. Dancing – Time Limit: 7 -10 mins

- a. Contestant must perform two (2) solo traditional dances to two (2) traditional songs, one of which must be either a round dance or back-and-forth.
- b. The Contestant may not repeat the same style of dance twice
- c. Each dance / song may not exceed five (5) minutes in duration
- d. Judging will be based on the ease of dancing and the quality of dancing e.g., (staying with the beat, dance style matches song)

### 5. Interview

- a. Interview questions will be selected by the judges in a blind draw, picked out of a jar or other container so that the judge does not have fore knowledge of the question
- b. The Contestant will be asked one (1) question, based on that random draw
- c. Questions must be answered in detail: plain ‘Yes’ or ‘No’ answers will result in a zero score
- d. Judging will be based on the content of the response, its clarity and how well the thoughts of the Contestant are expressed in relation to the question.