

Paperwork Deadline – October 1st, 2024 Rehearsal Date – October 26th, 2024 Competition Date – October 27th, 2024

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The mission of the Miss Oklahoma's Teen Scholarship Competition is to provide an opportunity for Oklahoma's young teenage ladies to compete in a first-class teen scholarship competition and to encourage them to continue pursuing their talents, become positive influences in their communities, and develop into responsible young women of the highest morals and integrity.

The competition provides an opportunity for teenage ladies in Oklahoma to engage in a formal interview with the judges, which helps them develop positive communication skills for life. The young ladies will focus on their personal fitness training in preparation for the health and fitness competition. Their gracefulness and poise will be showcased in the evening gown and on-stage question competition, and their talents will shine during the talent competition.

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Miss Northwestern's Teen

You have the option to send documents electronically or by mail. If you wish to email documents, please see the email breakdown on page 21. *I do recommend that you email me your fact sheet and CSI to ensure it displays clearly in our judges' books!*

We request that you send all forms <u>no later than</u> October 1st, 2024, to:

Miss Northwestern's Teen Scholarship Competition ATTN: Paige Fischer 709 Oklahoma Blvd. Alva, OK 73717

Or e-mail to **plfischer@nwosu.edu** Only <u>COMPLETE</u> ENTRIES will be accepted. All entries must be postmarked by October 1st, 2024.

We must have the following information returned to us to be considered entered in the competition:

- <u>1</u> Contestant Release and Indemnity Agreement page 6
- <u>1</u> Copy of Fact Sheet (must be submitted electronically) pages 7-8
- <u>1</u>_Copy of Community Service Initiative (must be submitted electronically) pages 9-10
- Talent Introduction Form page 11
- Head Shot (must be submitted electronically) including the signed release from the photographer for the use of photos (*if applicable*).
- Email 90 second (or less) talent track to plfischer@nwosu.edu
- Address and Phone Number Information Sheet page 12
- Copy of Birth Certificate
- Miss Oklahoma's Teen Local Contract (must request to be sent this contract from Paige) page 13
- Miss Northwestern's Teen Local Contract page 14
- Raise \$30 for American Heart Association through the portal page 15
- \$100 Entry fee (checks made payable to Miss Northwestern)
- <u>1</u> Sell one full-page ad (\$130) and submit payments, business card(s), and photos to be used for the ad page pages 18-19
- Must sell at least 10 competition tickets (advance tickets are \$8 and will be mailed to your home address).
- Payment info sheet with checks payable info to Miss Northwestern.
- Register for Miss America membership page 17



Competition Information

<u>Eligibility</u>

- Contestant must be between 14-18 years old. Teen contestants must be 14 years old by the state competition (June 1st, 2025) and no older than 18 years old by the state competition date (June 1st, 2025).
- 2. Contestant must be a citizen of the United States.
- 3. Contestant must be female.
- 4. Contestant must not now, nor have ever been married, nor be a parent or adoptive parent.
- 5. Contestant must be a young lady of the highest moral character, integrity, and standards.
- 6. Contestant must execute the Contestant Contract and abide by all the agreements and representations contained therein.

Backstage

- 1. Contestants must do their own hair and make-up. Parents, make-up artists, hair stylists, etc. will not be allowed backstage or in the interview waiting rooms; however, they are welcome to assist after the interview takes place. The Student Center is a great place to finish all of those last-minute touch-ups before showtime!
- 2. Hostesses will be available to assist the contestants with their clothing, etc. backstage and in the interview waiting rooms.

Personal Interview – 30% of total score

- Interviews at the local level will be a total of 8 minutes. Interviews will take place with a panel of at least 5 judges. The contestants will have a 30-second opening and 7 minutes and 30 seconds of questions/answers. A bell will ring when 30-seconds remain, so the contestant knows she may finish out the question she is on or close the interview.
- 2. Questions will come from a variety of areas, including but not limited to the contestant's application and fact sheet, moral/ethical issues, current events, etc. Contestants should be prepared to answer any type of question asked.
- 3. Contestant's outfit should reflect her personality and age. This is the first impression you will make on the judges in person! We want to see you in a "teen stylish" outfit. Dress as if you were giving a speech to your student body, interviewing for a job at a trendy boutique, or being introduced as the new class president in front of the entire school. Look professional and confident, but remember, we are a TEEN organization.

On-Stage Conversation (Question) – 10% of total score

- 1. Contestant will appear in opening outfit.
- 2. This will be a single question asked on-stage regarding the contestant's Community Service Initiative (CSI), and the response should be no longer than 20 seconds.

Evening Gown – 20% of total score

- 1. Contestant should wear age appropriate attire that makes her feel confident!
- 2. Age appropriate full-length gowns are appropriate. Shorter attire may be worn, but must be age appropriate and non-revealing when worn on a stage.

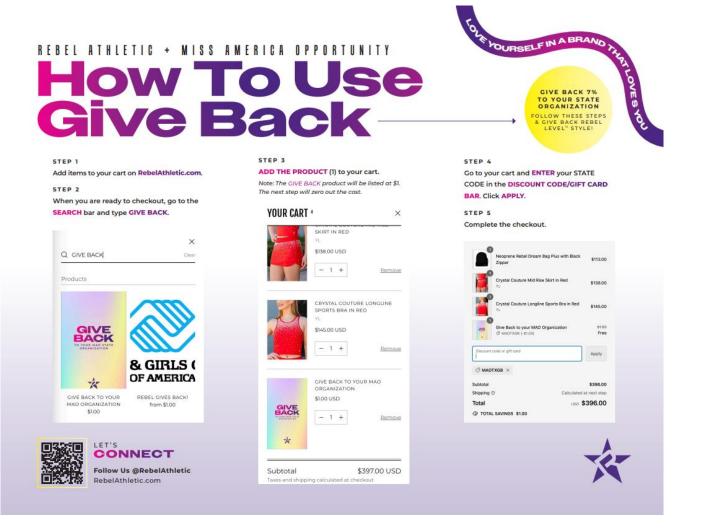
Talent/HERStory – 20% of total score

- 1. Contestant's talent must not be longer than 90 seconds (1 minute and 30 seconds). Email talent track to plfischer@nwosu.edu
- 2. "Live" accompaniment is not permitted. Only the contestant is permitted on-stage. No other person may be a part of her presentation though background vocals will be allowed as long as they don't overpower the contestant.
- 3. Talent must be performed live; pantomime and lip-sync are not permitted.
- 4. Tap dancers may not have accompaniment talent tracks with pre-recorded taps or tap sounds.
- 5. The sound engineer will not stop and re-start the track as a part of the contestant's performance. If a contestant needs a ten second delay in her performance, then the CD should include a ten second silent spot.
- 6. No other tracks may be included on the accompaniment track.
- 7. Background tracks will be approved by the competition.
- 8. Fire (fire ropes, fire batons, etc.), pyrotechnics, swords, knives or machetes, bow and arrow acts, and the use of live animals are strictly prohibited.

Fitness and Health – 20% of total score

- REBEL ATHLETIC All Miss & Teen Contestants are required to wear RED outfits (top and bottoms) from the Miss America Rebel Red collection for the Health and Fitness competition. The code for Oklahoma is MAOOKGB. Please use this web address to purchase Rebel Wear active wear: <u>https://www.rebelathletic.com/mao.html</u>
- 2. Each contestant will not exceed 20-30 seconds during the fitness and health phase of competition.
- 3. No props are allowed.
- 4. Any white tennis shoes will work to wear with your Rebel Wear please wear some you have or borrow from a friend!

5. Please order your Rebel Wear active wear set early to allow for plenty of time for shipping!



Miss Northwestern's

Contestant Release and Indemnity Agreement

a contestant in THE 2025 MISS NORTHWESTERN'S TEEN COMPETITION ١, do hereby knowingly and voluntarily release The Miss _____'s Teen, Inc., their officers, directors, trustees, judges, and employees and any other person, firm, individual, or corporation charged or chargeable with responsibility or liability, their heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns from and against any and all claims, lawsuits, demands, damages, loss of service, actions, and causes of action based upon, arising out of, or in any way related to any honors, rights, or awards sought by me as a contestant in the 2025 MISS NORTHWESTERN'S TEEN COMPETITION, the conduct of business there at, the ownership and possession of any honors, rights, or awards thereby, any negligent act, act of misfeasance or nonfeasance by the referenced competition, or any of their agents, contractors, servants, employees or licensees, in conjunction with any honors or awards bestowed at said listed above from any and all claims that exonerate, hold harmless and indemnify such competition listed above from any and all claims that I or my representative may have against such honors, rights and awards. Such indemnification to include any or all fees (including reasonable attorney's fees), costs and other expenses reasonably incurred by or on behalf of the above actions or causes of action. I have had a full and adequate opportunity to be thoroughly advised of the terms and conditions of this release and indemnity agreement by counsel of my own choosing. I have also been afforded the opportunity to ask any and all questions that I have concerning this document and its execution by me. I do fully understand if selected Miss Northwestern's Teen, I will agree to enter into a management contract. I do fully understand the terms of this agreement and do intentionally and voluntarily agree to same.

Contestant's Signature

Contestant's Parent's Signature

NO CONTESTANT MAY COMPETE IN ANY AREA OF COMPETITION IN THE MISS NORTHWESTERN'S TEEN COMPETITION UNTIL THIS DOCUMENT IS COMPLETED.

STATE OF_____

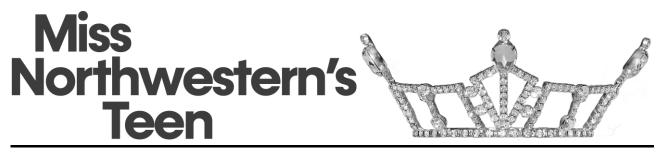
COUNTY OF _____

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(SEAL)

NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary Print Name My Commission Expires



Fact Sheet Instructions

This is your opportunity to demonstrate to the judges why they should consider YOU for the job at your local and the job of Miss Oklahoma's Teen. This one-page fact sheet, combined with the Community Service Initiative (CSI) will comprise your entire application. The judges will receive exactly what is submitted.



Interview Fact Sheet Instructions

Must be a single page San serif fonts in sizes 11-14. Margins to be standard 1" Single line spaced typed responses May be submitted as a hard copy May be filled out as online digital form May be a PDF May not include any attachments May not include any graphics or photos

Please see sample below.

Interview Fact Sheet

Name: Hometown/Local Title: Age: Instagram: Facebook: TikTok: Twitter:

Current Employment or Schooling:

Scholastic/Career Ambition:

Community Service Initiative (CSI):

Performance Talent or HERStory[™] Description:

Accomplishments:

Interesting Facts:

Describe your personal health initiatives and alignment with #MissAmericaFit:

What social issue, other than your CSI, will have the greatest impact on your generation and why?

Name three items on your 'bucket list' in the next five years.



Community Service Initiative (CSI)



COMMUNITY SERVICE INITIATIVE (CSI)

Miss America's Community Service Initiative (CSI) is an integral part of the interview phase of competition, supporting one of the branded elements of Miss America as outlined by the "Four Points" of the crown. The "Four Points" are Style, Scholarship, Service and Success. CSI is specific to the **SERVICE** point of the crown.

The CSI initiative allows you, as a participating Delegate, to showcase and deploy your interests and creativity, to outline a plan or effort to engage within your local community or state existing programs. You may also design your own program for your community or state.

This ONE page submission in san-serif font style of your choice, font sizes from 11-14 only, should include the following:

- A description of your Community Service Initiative passion or interest
- Why you chose this particular initiative
- How you've partnered or will partner with local/state communities to create momentum
- Any social media or marketing strategies that will best support your CSI
- Any activities you have planned or participated in with respect to this CSI

Use of Graphics

At the local level, you may use "header only" graphics approximately ½ inch from the top of the 8.5 x11 page. Graphics may include existing organizations' logos, taglines or other creative efforts. You may use bullet points within your long form essay. Your local/state organization may decide to have you submit your CSI single page electronically, via a form rather than a pdf, through a portal, or other options.

Signature and Date

Please sign and date your submission at the bottom right hand corner, and include your local title. No submissions to be verified without signature.

NOTE: Marketing & Promotional Suggestion

For personal use/promotion - NOT for an interview submission - you may create a fully graphic page for insertion into a state program book, distribution online as a promotional flyer, printed item to distribute during community events or presentations, or as a 'one sheet' to advertise your participation within the Miss America or Miss America's Teen programs online, or while raising funds. There are no guidelines as to promotional creative, other than you must have State/local permission to use Miss America or Miss America's Teen logos.

Community Service Initiative (CSI) Example

Name: Jane Smith **Title:** Miss Northwestern's Teen

Celebrating Cultural Diversity and Inclusiveness

It is imperative that this nation face and embrace its cultural diversity. While many people have talked about this issue, I believe that most of them have only paid lip service to the true necessity of what needs to be addressed related to this issue. There is a false truth in merely accepting and tolerating cultural diversity. I intend to prove that in order to accept and understand people of other cultures; one must be willing to step out of a personal cultural comfort zone and identify the origin of their prejudice. I will specifically focus on three areas: Children, Communities, and Businesses.

The title of Miss America, combined with the national media already looking at the surface of this issue, will allow me to create the national awareness that must exist. Currently, the term "Cultural Diversity" is well known in the halls of institutions of higher learning and, perhaps, even in the public-school classroom because of the need for some to be politically correct. But, in order for us to make a true change in attitudes and behaviors of Americans, we must move beyond talk and into action and policy changes.

My plan is to motivate the media and to partner with the National Conference for Community and Justice. This organization has chapters in every major city in the nation and, in many cases, those chapters have community leaders involved who can, with encouragement and challenging, bring this issue out of hiding and into the public light in each of those communities.

Obviously, the media and the NCCJ already exist. However, what is lacking is a lightning rod to draw attention to this issue. This is where the Miss America Organization steps into the lead. What better role is there for Miss America than to be an agent of change in organizing our nation to accept our differences and to create an environment that values each person on individual characteristics rather than on stereotypes or assumptions?

For years, Miss America was seen as a young woman who cut ribbons and appeared in parades. It is time for "Miss America" to step out of the convertible and lead the parade. Our country's ethnic make-up is changing rapidly and our citizen's fear of terrorism can explode already existing, but deeply hidden prejudices. I want to be the leader that this nation needs.

This nation needs this issue addressed now and through the already existing NCCJ and its local and state organizations combined with the power of Miss America, we can make a concrete difference now, which will change the direction and the future of our nation.

Signature/Date



Talent Introduction Form

This form is used to prepare the contestant's talent introduction. The introductions should "set the stage" for your presentation. DO NOT discuss background, training, or anything else that does not apply directly to your routine. This introduction should be no longer than 25-30 words and must end with your name. (For example: "There are two lasting gifts we give our children...roots and wings. Here with her interpretation of 'A Piece of Sky' from the motion picture 'Yent'l' is Janie Doe.")

Contestant Name:
Talent Type (pop vocal, opera, ballet, tap dance, etc):
Talent Selection:
Please type your suggested Talent Introduction here:

To eliminate the possibility of more than one contestant using the same song or piece, there will be no duplication of music or dramatic reading in the talent presentations. The same music **may** be sung by one contestant and danced to, twirled to, played on a musical instrument by, etc. another contestant. However, if one contestant is using a given song in its entirety, another contestant may use a portion of that song as part of a medley as long as it is not the dominant song in that medley. The contestant who turns in the paperwork first will be given first priority.

Remember – TALENT CANNOT EXCEED 1 MINUTE 30 SECONDS.



Phone Number and Address Information Sheet

The information contained on this sheet is confidential and for the use of the Miss Northwestern Oklahoma State University Scholarship Competition and its authorized committees only.

Your Full Legal Name:	Social Security #
Permanent Home Address:	
Street	
City, State & Zip	
Telephone # ()	Email address
Your School and/or Employment Add	dress: Date school is out for the summer:
Street	City, State & Zip
Telephone # ()	Cell # ()
Your address where you can be reac	hed from the time school is out until the competition:
Street	City, State & Zip
Email address	Telephone # ()
Mother's Full Name:	
Street	City, State & Zip
Home Phone #()0	Cell #() Work #()
Father's Full Name:	
Street	City, State & Zip
Home Phone #()Ce	ell #()Work #()
I certify that the foregoing informatio	on is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
Contestant Signature	Parent Signature
Endorsed by and A	Affiliated with the Miss Oklahoma Scholarship Competition



2025 Miss Oklahoma's Teen Official Contract

You will need to email Paige Fischer at plfischer@nwosu.edu, so I can send you the attachment for the 2025 Miss Oklahoma's Teen Official Contract.



Local Contract

Requirements: Contestant – please initial

_____ Participate in at least 2 Alva community or campus events when requested.

_____ Participate in at least 2 community events per month in order to promote her CSI or title.

_____ Develop her CSI to be used at the Miss Oklahoma's Teen Competition.

_____ Develop her talent and be willing to seek help from professional coaches in preparation for Miss Oklahoma's Teen.

- _____ Maintain a positive relationship with all sponsors.
- _____ Fulfill media requirements and be available for 1-2 competition work weekends.
- _____ Willingness to do appearances as requested.

_____ Attend ALL Miss Oklahoma's Teen meetings and EVERY day of competition.

Qualities

- * Talented
- * Well Groomed
- * Manageable & Flexible
- * Charismatic & Dynamic
- * Open Communicator
- * Outgoing & Approachable
- * Self-Motivated
- * High-Achieving

- * Strong Leader
- * Sound Morals
- * Relatable (to all age groups)
- * Inspiring

Expectations

- Promote your chosen CSI throughout the year.
- Commit to prepare for and compete in the Miss Oklahoma's Teen Competition.
- Maintain a lifestyle that is appropriate as a role model.
- Maintain a healthy lifestyle.
- Handle the responsibilities of the job with maturity.
- Punctual.
- Able to relate to people of all ages.
- Mature enough to handle the job and all of its responsibilities.
- Maintain high scholastic goals/maintaining a 2.75 GPA or higher and maintaining an 80% attendance. Will submit to grade and attendance check.
- Have the flexibility to travel for meetings, activities, and events as scheduled.
- Keep an open line of communication with the Director and NWOSU's Board of Directors.

**If at any point in time you unable to fulfill the duties of NWOSU's Teen, you are expected to give up your title. If NWOSU's Board of Directors feels that you are not able to perform these duties, you will be asked to step down from the position.

Your Full Legal Name	Date
Parent Full Legal Name	Date

American Heart Association Local Contestant Sign-Up

Below is a one-page reference sheet for all local registrations. All NEW local contestants who are competing on the local stage must raise a minimum of \$30 (for each local competition entered).



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	Full Name 2026 - Example: Jane Smith 2	026
	State	
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	Contestant Title	
	Contestant Title	
	Zip Code	
	Your zip code	
	Nonprofit to Support	
	Nonprofit (beneficiary of funds raised)	
	Next	

STEP 2: ADD ELEMENTS AND

Step 2 of 3 Add a cover photo or video

Upload a photo

Add a YouTube or Vimeo video

Select a default image

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SOCIAL MEDIA

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STEP 4: PROMOTE AND INVITE FRIENDS AND FAMILY!



STATE SPECIFIC LANDING PAGES (EXAMPLE):

Alaska (AK) example: http://spot.fund/missamerica2025AK Alaska (AK) example: http://spot.fund/missamericasteen2025AK

Once created the campaigns will be listed on the national and state-level landing pages:

Miss: http://spot.fund/missamerica2026leaders Teen: http://spot.fund/missamericasteen2026leaders



Please inform us of any other local competitions you are you planning to compete in between the paperwork deadline and the date of the rehearsal.

Date of Local Competition: _____

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Date of Local Competition:

Miss Northwestern's Teen

All contestants competing for either Miss or Teen must register for their Miss America Membership, which allows them to compete in all levels of Miss America/Miss America's Teen. The link is located on <u>www.missamerica.org</u>. The direct link is:

https://www.club.missamerica.org/miss-america-registration-oklahomapage. The membership fee is \$39.99 for May 2024-July 2025.



All teens are required to sell one page of ads. Please be sure to submit photos, business cards, etc. via email to <u>plfischer@nwosu.edu</u>. NWOSU will design the ad page for you. You are encouraged to sell as many ads as you are able to for the program book.



Ad Page Form

CONTESTANT'S NAME: _____

PROGRAM ADS – For those who would like an a	dvertisement in the di	gital program book.
\$130: Full page ad in the program book (attach business card)	
\$80: Half-page ad in program book (attac	ch business card)	
\$50: One-fourth page ad in program boo	k (attach business carc	3)
Ad Page Purchaser/Donor's Name:		
If you purchased an ad page, how should yo	ur name and/or bus	iness or organization name be
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Payment information and email breakdown *Attach this sheet in paperwork

*Checks can be made payable to Miss Northwestern. Please contact Paige Fischer before sending any checks at <u>plfischer@nwosu.edu</u>.

Fee	Cost	Check number	Date
Entry Fee	\$100.00		
Ad page	\$130.00		
Tickets	\$80.00		
Total	\$310.00		

Please order your Rebel Wear active wear set early to allow for plenty of time for shipping!

If you would prefer to email the forms, the email address is plfischer@nwosu.edu. Listed below is a breakdown of how emails should be sent.

1. Subject: Contestant's name fact sheet and community service initiative (include 2 attachments – fact sheet and community service initiative)

2. Subject: Contestant's name contracts (5 documents –release and indemnity agreement, Miss Oklahoma Teen official contract, NWOSU Teen contract, information sheet)

3. Subject: Contestant's name talent and headshot (3 items – headshot photo, talent track, talent introduction)

4. Ad info: Subject: Contestant's name ad info

1-3 pictures of contestant for ad page. Business card or message for the ad. If any additional ad pages are purchased, please include information in the same email.

5. Forms: Subject: Contestant's name forms (birth certificate, payment info sheet)