



2017 Miss Hoopeston Rules and Contract

1. Miss Hoopeston serves at the sole and exclusive judgment of the Hoopeston Jaycees.
2. All Miss Hoopeston candidates must be graduates of Hoopeston Area High School who have turned 18 before January 1, 2017 and do not turn 21 before September 1, 2017.
3. Candidates will be considered role models for young ladies as well as the youth of Hoopeston and the surrounding areas. This role is a one year commitment and will be treated as such.
4. Once elected by the judges, the candidate will become Miss Hoopeston in January. Crowning is usually scheduled to coincide with the Community Awards Banquet towards the end of January. The candidate will serve as Miss Hoopeston until the next candidate is crowned. The candidate will not assume the title and privileges of Miss Hoopeston until she is crowned.
5. There will be a mandatory information meeting for all candidates who wish to participate in this program. This meeting will be at least a week prior to the actual Miss Hoopeston selection process.
6. Once crowned candidates are strongly encouraged to attend monthly Jaycee meetings to keep up to date with area projects.
7. Upon successful completion of her yearly reign, the candidate will not wear the crown or sash of Miss Hoopeston, nor appear as Miss Hoopeston for the purposes of advertising or endorsing products, person, cause or service, unless she has received in advance the written consent of the Hoopeston Jaycees.
8. Candidates must not have been charged with multiple minor or petty offenses in the last twenty four months, the exception being traffic offenses. Candidates must never have been convicted of any criminal offense and have no criminal charges pending against her.
9. Candidates must be unmarried or never had a marriage annulled.

10. Candidates must never have been or become pregnant.
11. Candidates agree not to partake in the consumption of alcoholic beverages, cigarettes or illegal drugs during her year long reign.
12. Candidates cannot show in public any tattoos or body piercing once crowned Miss Hoopeston. No nose, eyebrow, lip or tongue piercing will be allowed. Candidates agree to purchase suitable "Derma-Blend" product to cover tattoos for all public appearances. Candidates agree to only wear a maximum of two piercings per ear.
13. Candidates agree to make themselves available for such personal appearances, interviews, photographic and recording sessions and other various commitments and events related to the National Sweetcorn Festival, National Sweetheart Pageant or the Hoopeston Jaycees.
14. All appearances as Miss Hoopeston shall be approved at least 48 hours in advance by the Miss Hoopeston Coordinator; as well as any photography sessions or pictures to be released as Miss Hoopeston.
15. All appearances by Miss Hoopeston must be accompanied the Miss Hoopeston Coordinator, by a female Jaycee, or a representative approved by the Miss Hoopeston Coordinator. If the appearance is attended by a male Jaycee or a representative, one of the parents of Miss Hoopeston must attend as well.
16. Miss Hoopeston will serve as the official hostess of the National Sweetcorn Festival and agrees to represent the Hoopeston Jaycees, the National Sweetcorn Festival and the City of Hoopeston during the week of the Festival.
17. Candidates agree to be an active participant in the National Sweetheart Pageant. During the week of the pageant, Miss Hoopeston is expected to be anywhere the queens are and is under the supervision of the Miss Hoopeston Coordinator, head chaperone and the Executive Director of the National Sweetheart Pageant.
18. Miss Hoopeston will be responsible for hosting the welcoming dinner for the queens when they arrive in town on Monday. The theme and menu must be approved by the Miss Hoopeston coordinator and the Executive Director of the Sweetheart Pageant or the Chairman of the National Sweetcorn Festival.
19. The candidate agrees to attend, with a parent, a meeting to review this contract and be briefed on what is expected of Miss Hoopeston throughout the entirety of her reign. This meeting will include the Miss Hoopeston Coordinator, National Sweetcorn Festival Chairman, President of the Hoopeston Jaycees and other delegates selected by the President.

20. Candidates agree to purchase any clothing necessary to honor her obligations during the week of the National Sweetcorn Festival and any other event she is required to attend. A stipend of \$500 will be provided to Miss Hoopeston by the Hoopeston Jaycees, once the candidate has been crowned. If during the candidates reign she relinquishes her title, the stipend must be repaid in full.
21. The Hoopeston Jaycees have the right, in its sole and exclusive judgment, to determine that the candidate is no longer eligible to participate or continue in the candidate's role as Miss Hoopeston. In that event, the candidate will relinquish her crown, sash and title to the President of the Jaycees. The cash stipend for clothing must also be repaid within thirty (30) days after the relinquishment of the title unless otherwise dictated by the Hoopeston Jaycee executive board.
22. Candidates agree not to have any negative postings on public websites such as: MySpace, Facebook, Twitter, etc. Candidates can have their names and photos on these sites, as long as they are not deemed "inappropriate." These sites will be checked frequently and if any photos or inappropriate postings are found by members of the Miss Hoopeston selection panel, Miss Hoopeston coordinator or the Hoopeston Jaycee executive board, will result in the immediate relinquishing of the Miss Hoopeston title, crown, sash and the return of the entirety of the clothing allowance.
23. Candidates may be forced to relinquish the Miss Hoopeston title, crown, sash and return the entirety of the clothing allowance if any of the following occur:
 1. Any of the information or statements made by the candidate in the initial application, interview or contract is determined by the Hoopeston Jaycees to be false.
 2. There is any change in the circumstances that would affect the candidates eligibility, including without limitations to participate fully in the activities of Miss Hoopeston, marital or parental status, good character and reputation or, behavior that is, or the Hoopeston Jaycees perceives as contrary to the Jaycee creed and good citizenship.
 3. The candidate fails to conduct herself in a manner which, in the sole exclusive judgment of the Hoopeston Jaycees, is consistent with the standards and dignity of the Miss Hoopeston program.
 4. If the candidate suffers any medical condition or disability, which, in the sole and exclusive judgment of the Hoopeston Jaycees, impairs the candidates ability to perform the duties expected of Miss Hoopeston.

24. Candidates understand that the chain of command for Miss Hoopeston is as follows:

1. Miss Hoopeston Coordinator
2. National Sweetcorn Festival Chairman
3. Hoopeston Jaycee President
4. Hoopeston Jaycee Chairman of the Board

Candidates also realize that twenty-four (24) hours must pass for the appropriate person to respond before the candidate escalates to the next step, unless it is an emergency situations.

25. Candidates may not hold a title as of January 1, 2017 and further agree not to pursue any additional titles if crowned through January 1, 2018.

26. The Hoopeston Jaycees reserve the right to make additions or alterations to these rules at any time, upon written notice to all parties involved, including Miss Hoopeston, and shall become effective upon receipt of said notice.