

Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Pageant Application

Sponsored by the Fair Bluff Chamber of Commerce

Sunday, July 26, 2026, at Fair Bluff Baptist Church at 4 pm

Entry Fee: \$75.00 BABY MISS - LITTLE MISS

*Optional Photogenic: \$10.00

Application Deadline—Wednesdat, July 1st, 2026 **IF APPLICATION IS NOT RECEIVED BY THIS DATE, IT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED******

DIVISIONS:

FBWF Baby Princess & Baby Master
FBWF Petite Princess & Petite Master
FBWF Tiny Miss
FBWF Little Miss

AGES:

Birth - 11 Months
1 - 2
3 - 5
7-9

RULES AND REQUIREMENTS:

- **BIRTHDATE:** The division the contestant is in is determined by the age the contestant will be on the evening of the pageant. There will be a six month waiver either way.
- **CONTESTANT CONTRACT:** Each contestant and parent or guardian are REQUIRED to sign the morality contract before competing. Contracts are included in all pageant application packets. We abide strictly by the morality contract of the Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Pageant.
- **RESIDENCY:** The Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Pageant is OPEN to residents of Columbus County, Dillon County, Horry County, Bladen County, Brunswick County, Robeson County, and Marion County.
- **GRACE PERIOD:** Title holders will NOT be allowed to compete in another pageant until 60 days prior to relinquishing the Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Pageant Title on July 26, 2026. May 27th is the 60-day grace period mark. In the event The Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Teen and Queen honor requirements of the 60 days' time frame prior to competing in another pageant and win the title, the Queens are expected to complete their duties with the Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival through July 26, 2026. Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Pageant Queen is under contract to fulfill ALL Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival and Fair Bluff events. Appearances and requirements are listed in the contestant contract.

SWEETHEART: This is a title based on the most raffle ticket sales to support the festival. The raffle tickets will be \$1 for a \$100 prize. And \$2 for a beautiful watermelon festival quilt.

· **Required Areas of Competition:**

· **The Photogenic Contest** is an optional area of competition, but not required. It is open to all Contestants. A 5x7 or 8x10 Photos must be submitted the night of rehearsal (July 20). Additional photos can be judged for \$10.00 per photo. Photos may be in Color or Black & White. NO HIGH GLITZ! Photos may be touched up. One photogenic winner in each division will be awarded.

· **Note:** NO wigs, extensions, faux teeth, and no excessive makeup etc. The judges are aware of our guidelines and the caliber of Queens we are seeking to represent our Festival and Fair Bluff. Judges will deduct points for those not complying with our directives and regulations.

· **Scoresheets:** All Scores are final. In our morality contract we discuss the positive atmosphere and excellent behavior of all contestants, and families. **NO SCORE SHEETS WILL BE GIVEN OUT DUE TO JUDGES DECISIONS BEING FINAL.**

Areas of Competition Information:

Baby to Petite – Watermelon wear only.

Tiny to Little Miss- Party wear and watermelon wear including watermelon colors. Party wear excludes beading.

Awards:

Division Winners: Each division winner will receive a rhinestone round crown, embroidered satin sash, and trophy. *Baby-Little contestants will receive a complimentary participation tiara*

Court Requirements and information:

Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Royalty will NOT have an all-expense paid reign. The Queens will be responsible for Cars, Parade Fees, Shirts, Car Signs, Clothing etc. The Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Committee will attempt to minimize costs whenever it is possible.

Additional Pageant Information

Pageant Rehearsal: Sunday July 19th at 5 pm at the Fair Bluff Baptist Church Christian Life Center

*All Photogenic entries must be turned in by the end of rehearsal.

*Contestant numbers will be assigned at rehearsal; no extras will be given. *

*There will be a run-through of the pageant to allow contestants to walk the stage layout during rehearsal.

Each contestant must arrive, ready to compete **NO LATER THAN 3 PM.** The door will not open any earlier than 3 PM.

***PARADE: Each contestant must participate in the Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Parade. You will be responsible for your own car and driver. Each contestant and driver must wear a Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival t-shirt.**

*Admission \$5.00 which includes a program.

*A pass for 1 parent will be given at rehearsal. All other supporters must pay \$5 admission to help with expenses for the pageant.

*Application pick-up and drop off locations, as well as t-shirt purchases may be made at: the Visitor's Center in Fair Bluff, NC, United Bank in Chadbourne, NC, and Fowler's Jewelers in Whiteville, NC. or Secondhand Smiles in Fair Bluff (Tuesday-Saturday ONLY). Prices and availability will be announced later for t-shirts.

Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Scholarship Pageant Application

Name: _____ Date of Birth _____

Parents Names:

Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

County: _____ Phone Number: _____

Hair Color: _____ Eye Color: _____

Favorite Food: _____ Favorite TV Show: _____

School Currently Attending: _____

Grade: _____

Most Admired Person and Why:

Interesting Facts about Yourself:

Sponsored By:

Date received: _____

*Optional - Photogenic Contest: (Circle if entering) \$10.00 for one photo.

Additional photos may be submitted at \$10 each.

Total: \$ _____ Cash: _____ Check # _____

Please make any checks payable to: Fair Bluff Chamber of Commerce

IMPORTANT!

Please carefully read the contents of this application before signing below.

Signature Required & Entry Fees must be paid before application may be accepted.

The Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Association (including its Board of Directors, Committee Chairpersons, and volunteers), the Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Pageant, the Town of Fair Bluff, & Fair Bluff Baptist Church, are not responsible for injuries, losses, damages, or accidents that may occur during the Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Scholarship Pageant, or while traveling to and from events. I understand the Judges' decisions are final. Any act of disrespectful or poor sportsmanship in any manner from contestants or family members will NOT be tolerated and will result in disqualification without refund. By affixing your signature to this contract, you acknowledge that you have read and agree to the information therein and you grant permission to the Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Pageant the right to use all pictures taken prior to, during or after the event for advertising and/or marketing purposes and to allow said pictures to be posted on our website. In the event the photos are used, you will be notified.

There will be a \$35.00 service charge for all returned checks.

The Fair Bluff Watermelon Festival Pageant reserves the right to refuse entry to anyone.

Contestant Name

Contestant Number

CONTACT INFORMATION

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*All calls will be answered after 5 pm. Texts are accepted and will be answered after 5 pm.