



2009 Miss Williamsburg Scholarship Pageant

Dear Potential Contestant:

On behalf of the Miss Williamsburg Organization, you are invited to become a participant in the 2009 Miss Williamsburg Scholarship Pageant. Please read the information below. If you are interested in competing, please return the preliminary application, your pictures, and sponsorship information as soon as possible. Please understand that contestants are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, and there is a limit to the number of contestants due to time constraints. Please adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Submit a head & shoulders photograph of yourself in digital format (scanned photos do not reproduce well). E-mail your photo as an attachment in a minimum of 300dpi. Your photograph should accompany your preliminary application.
2. As soon as you have made a decision on the particular music associated with your talent, call and register it with Emily Huff, Executive Director. **NO TWO CONTESTANTS** will be allowed to use the same music. **THE FIRST CONTESTANT** to register a preference for a particular song gets her choice. No one else will be allowed to use that selection.
3. As a contestant in the Miss Williamsburg Scholarship Pageant, you will need a business suit or dress for personal interview, eveningwear, a one or two-piece swimsuit, talent costume, and an opening number outfit (Red Cocktail Dress).
4. **EVERY CONTESTANT MUST COLLECT \$100 FOR THE CHILDREN'S MIRACLE NETWORK. In addition, EVERY contestant MUST create an account for this collection at www.missamerica4kids.org (instructions can be obtained at this website). Even if you intend on submitting a check for the \$100 donation, you MUST still create the online account for the Miss Williamsburg Pageant. *NOTE: You MUST collect \$100 for EVERY Miss VA preliminary that you chose to compete in (the 2009 monies can be carried over during the 2009 pageant season; for example: you raise \$300, you can utilize these funds for up to 3 Miss VA preliminary competitions in 2009, etc.).**
5. Please make sure **EVERYTHING ON YOUR APPLICATION IS ACCURATE**. If you win the title of Miss Williamsburg 2009, all of your application information will be verified for accuracy.
6. Sponsors are the main support of our pageant. Admissions, unfortunately, pay only a very small part of the expenses of the pageant. **WHILE NOT A REQUIREMENT**, I do ask that each contestant attempt to obtain contributions in the amount of \$150.00. Checks should be made payable to **The Miss Williamsburg Scholarship Pageant**. Sponsors will be listed in the program book, and will be announced by the Master of Ceremonies at the pageant. Program ads are also a great support to the pageant. Ads may be obtained in lieu of or in addition to other contributions. You may make as many copies of the sponsorship and ad contract forms as needed.
7. Please fill out and return the enclosed application as soon as possible. **As soon as I have received your preliminary application, I will mail (and/or email) the remaining paperwork.**
 - Mail to Emily S. Huff, 108 George Perry; Williamsburg, VA 23185
 - If you have any questions, please call Emily at (757) 544-7000 or (757) 565-1599
 - Email Emily at: misswilliamsburgva@yahoo.com

Once you have received your remaining paperwork, please return it immediately to the address provided above. Upon receiving the contestant information, **IF** you decide **NOT** to compete in this program, please contact me immediately so that your space may be opened to the next lady on the waiting list.

I look forward to working with you at The Miss Williamsburg Scholarship Pageant.

Sincerely,

Emily S. Huff
Executive Director