

Official Rules and Regulations - Spring Hope National Pumpkin Queen
Sponsored by Spring Hope Chamber of Commerce

- 1) Entrant agrees that the time, manner and method of judging shall be solely within the discretion of the Spring Hope Chamber of Commerce, and that the decision of the judges will be final.
- 2) Entrant must be a resident of the Southern Nash Senior High School District, Nash County, NC or attend Southern Nash Senior High School. Entrant must not hold any other title as of *September 27, 2008*.
- 3) Entrant must be attending high school, in the 10th-12th grade, and maintain above average grades. It is understood that the winner will continue high school, maintain said grade point average and it is at the discretion of the pageant committee to review grades upon request.
- 4) Entrant must be single, never have been married or had marriage annulled, and must not be or have never been pregnant. Entrant must not have been charged or convicted of any misdemeanor or felony. Entrant must refrain from the use of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco products.
- 5) Visible tattoos and body piercing are prohibited.
- 6) Entrant must be of good moral standing and possess poise, personality, intelligence and charm. Two non-family character recommendations are to be provided with application. Entrant must provide a one page double spaced (12 font, Times New Roman) essay on how she will use the title of Miss Pumpkin Queen in the area of community service or a platform she supports by September 12, 2008.
- 7) Entrant agrees not to miss practices unless approved by the pageant committee.
- 8) Entrant will be required to find a sponsor for the pageant. (ex. Family *member/business*) Entry fee is one hundred twenty five dollars (\$125) due by **July 31, 2008**. Application and entry fee should be given to Mrs. Sylvia Williams of Spring Hope by that date. (Sylvia's Hairstyling – phone number 478-5455. Sylvia's home phone number is 478-5923.)
- 9) All contestants must attend all required preliminary functions and other required activities on the day of the Pumpkin Festival (such as riding the float).
- 10) Contestant will be judged on private interview (40%), casual-wear (20%), evening gown (20%), fitness competition (10%), and on-stage question (10%).
- 11) If chosen as queen a contestant must understand that as queen she is responsible to participate in all Pumpkin Festival Activities and will appear a minimum of 5 times during her reign as scheduled by the pageant committee and/or Spring Hope Area Chamber of Commerce. If entrant is chosen as Miss Pumpkin Queen she will hold that title for only one year and may not hold any other titles during this time.
- 12) All contestants receiving scholarship awards should have their respective schools to submit a copy of billing to the Spring Hope Chamber of Commerce for disbursement. Verification of graduation is also required and should be requested within one year after graduation. Any unused scholarships will be reviewed and will be reverted back to the scholarship fund.
- 13) Funds are available only for tuition, enrollment, books, supplies and equipment required for courses in accredited colleges, universities or technical schools. No cash settlement will be made to any recipient.
- 14) It is understood that the winner of this pageant shall relinquish her title as Miss Pumpkin Queen during the course of her reign immediately upon any of the following conditions:
 1. Marriage or pregnancy
 2. Moving out of the area such that her new residence would reasonably prohibit her from attending required activities
 3. Dishonorable conduct or misrepresentation

Character Recommendation (1)

I, _____ certify
through this recommendation that (entrant name) _____ is of
good moral standing, is focused on her community, is a role model for younger girls, presents
herself in a professional, respectful manner publicly, and strives for excellence in everything she
does.

Signature _____ Date _____

Relationship to entrant (must be non-family, example; minister, teacher, mentor)

Character Recommendation (2)

I, _____ certify
through this recommendation that (entrant name) _____ is of
good moral standing, is focused on her community, is a role model for younger girls, presents
herself in a professional, respectful manner publicly, and strives for excellence in everything she
does.

Signature _____ Date _____

Relationship to entrant (must be non-family, example; minister, teacher, mentor)

This serves as the notary document of the Official Rules and Regulations of the Spring Hope National Pumpkin Queen Pageant

Entrant Signature _____ Date _____

Parent (Guardian) Signature _____ Date _____

North Carolina County of _____

I, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that _____ and _____ personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the execution of the rules and regulations of the Spring Hope Miss Pumpkin Queen Pageant.

Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this the _____ day of _____ 2008

Notary Public My commission expires _____