

2023 OBETZ ZUCCHINFEST PAGEANT

The ZucchiniFest pageant is open to any child whose legal address is within the boundaries of the Hamilton Local School District or Groveport Madison School District. You don't have to attend either school to participate; but your house must be within one of those two school district boundaries. For example, if you attend Madison Christian but live in Fairchild Estates, you live in the boundary of the Groveport Madison School District, so you are eligible.

Proof of age and residency are required to participate in the pageant. When entering, a copy of a current utility bill or lease in the parent or guardian's name and a copy of the contestant's birth certificate must be provided.

Completed entry forms and supporting documents can be mailed or dropped off at the Government Center located at 4175 Alum Creek Drive, Obetz, 43207. The lobby is open from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM. If you are stopping by after hours, leave everything in the Utility Drop Box located by the front pond. If mailing or dropping off forms in the Utility Drop Box, please make sure they are in an envelope addressed to **Kerri Duffy**.

THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2023. Late entries will not be accepted. An information packet will be emailed to the parent listed on the registration form following this deadline. Questions? Email Kerri Duffy at kduffy@obetz.oh.us or call 614-491-1080.

Scholarships for Queen, 1st Attendant and 2nd Attendant!

2023 PAGEANT ENTRY FORM



Age on August 25, 2023 – Please check one:

- Tiny Miss Obetz (1 – 2 years old and walking)
- Tiny Mister Obetz (1 – 2 years old and walking)
- Little Miss Obetz (3 – 6 years old)
- Little Mister Obetz (3 – 6 years old)
- Little Princess (7 – 10 years old)
- Princess (11 – 13 years old and in grades 6 through 8)
- Queen (14 – 18 years old and in grades 9 through 12)

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Parent/Guardian's Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian's Email: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST BE PROVIDED FOR ON-STAGE INTRODUCTIONS

Contestant's Name: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ Birthdate: _____

School/District Presently Attending: _____

Hobbies/Activities:

Clubs/Organizations:

Words that best describe me/my personality:

What I like most about the Obetz Zucchini-fest is:

Would your child like to make his or hers own introduction Yes _____ No _____

For more information about the Obetz Zucchini-fest, visit our website: www.obetzzucchini-fest.com

2023 OBETZ ZUCCHINIFEST PAGEANT RULES

The following rules and general information pertain to the 2022 Pageant and are to be followed by all contestants.

Eligibility and Proof of Age and Residency: The Pageant is open to any child whose legal address is within the boundaries of the Hamilton Local School District or Groveport Madison School District. Positive proof of age and residency are required. You must provide a copy of your birth certificate, grade card and a copy of your parent's utility bill or lease with your application.

Age Divisions: There will be Tiny Miss Obetz, Tiny Mister Obetz, Little Miss Obetz, Little Mister Obetz, Little Princess, Princess, and Queen crowned in addition to a 1st and 2nd attendant in each age division. ***Contestants may not participate in the same age division in which they have previously won the title.*** The age divisions are as follows (age as of August 25, 2023):

- Tiny Miss Obetz – 1 to 2 years old and walking
- Tiny Mister Obetz – 1 to 2 years old and walking
- Little Miss Obetz – 3 to 6 years old
- Little Mister Obetz – 3 to 6 years old
- Little Princess – 7 to 10 years old
- Princess – 11 to 13 years old and in grades 6 through 8; permission may be granted for a 14-year-old to participate if they are not in high school at the time of the pageant
- Queen – 14 to 18 years old and in grades 9 through 12; individuals who will not be in high school during the 2023/2024 school year are not eligible to participate.

Judging: The judging for the Pageant will be on **Thursday, August 31st** in the courtyard of Fortress Obetz. The pageant starts promptly at 6:30 PM.

Arrival Time: Times are tentative and subject to change based on the amount of registrants we have.

Tiny Miss, Tiny Mister, Little Miss, and Little Mister please arrive between 6:10 PM and 6:25 PM.

Only one parent or guardian will be permitted backstage during the pageant.

Little Princess, Princess, and Queen, please arrive between 6:30 PM and 6:45 PM. **Parents are not permitted backstage during the pageant for Little Princess, Princess, and Queen categories.**

Pageant Practice: Pageant practice is an opportunity for contestants to practice their walk on stage; meet the pageant MC; become familiar with the flow of the event; and ask questions. Pageant practice will be on **Wednesday, August 30th at 6:00 PM** on the courtyard stage.

Attire: Attire should be age appropriate and fit the contestant properly. Contestants should present themselves with poise, personal style, and overall neatness. Please consider the weather, the stage, and the stairs to the stage when selecting attire. Hair and make-up should complement the contestant's style and beauty. Contestants should keep make-up to a minimum.

Pageant Outline: The Pageant will be conducted as follows:

Tiny Miss Obetz and Tiny Mister Obetz: The contestants will be placed on stage with a parent/guardian. The Master of Ceremonies will introduce each contestant by announcing their name, characteristics, and contestant's hobbies (information that is provided on entry form). Each contestant will have a chance to wave to the crowd. Tiny Miss Contestants will go first. Once all the Tiny Miss contestants are finished, we will move on to the Tiny Mister category. Once both categories have finished, the top three contestants for each category will be called back to the stage to be crowned.

Little Miss Obetz and Little Mister Obetz: Up to five contestants will be placed on stage together. The Master of Ceremonies will introduce each contestant by announcing the contestant's name. The contestant will come to the front of the stage and have the option to announce their name, parent's names, school, hobbies, or other information they would like to share. After sharing this information, contestant should pause, wave to the crowd, and then proceed back to their mark on the stage. Once both categories have been introduced. The top three contestants will be called back on stage to be crowned.

Little Princess: Contestants will be announced by the Master of Ceremonies while walking onto the stage. The contestants will do a runway walk which includes two turns. Contestants will then deliver a 30 second speech about their hobbies and interests. After delivering their speech, contestants should pause, wave to the crowd, and then proceed to their mark on the stage. Once all contestants have been presented, the top three contestants will be called back on stage to be crowned.

Princess: Contestants will be announced by the Master of Ceremonies while walking onto the stage. Contestants will do a runway walk which includes two turns. Contestants will then deliver a 45 second speech about their hobbies and interests. After delivering their speech, contestants should pause, wave to the crowd, and then proceed to their seat on the stage. Once all contestants have been presented, the top three contestants will be called back on stage to be crowned.

Queen: Contestants will be announced by the Master of Ceremonies while walking onto the stage. Contestants will do a runway walk which includes two turns. Contestants will then deliver a 90 second speech about their hobbies and interests. After delivering their speech, contestants should pause, wave to the crowd, and then proceed to their seat on the stage.

If there are more than three contestants in this category, the field of contestants will then be narrowed to the top three finalists following the delivery of speeches. The finalists will then be asked a question about themselves or their opinion on a local or national issue. Crowning for both Princess and Queens Categories will be at the end.

Judging: The judges will determine the winner and runners up in each age division. Judging will be based on personality, personal style, speaking ability (when applicable) and overall presentation. The following are examples of what the judges will be looking for:

- Is the contestant having fun and happy to be participating?
- Is the attire age appropriate?
- Does the attire fit properly and show personality and style?
- Is the contestant graceful and poised?
- Does the contestant demonstrate confidence? Self-esteem? Pride in appearance?
- If speaking, is the contestant speaking clearly with confidence and knowledge? Does the contestant capture the audience's attention?

The judges and the contestants shall have no contact with each other prior to the start of the Pageant. If this should happen, both the contestant and the judge will be disqualified.

Please note: Contestants will not be allowed on stage to practice prior to the start of their competition the day of the Pageant.

Questions? Contact Kerri Duffy at 614.491.1080 or kduffy@obetz.oh.us should you have any questions.