

Little Miss Italian American Pageant
Festa Italiana 2016
Ages 9-12

Thank you for your interest in our first Little Miss Italian American Pageant! The pageant will take place on Sat. Aug. 6th, 2016 on the Festival Grounds (Boylan H.S. Practice Field). Contestants should meet at the Culture Tent at 12:30 p.m. with the pageant starting at 1:00 p.m. Please be prompt.

- Contestants must be no younger than 9, and no older than 12 years of age as of Sat. Aug. 6th, 2016.
- Please submit a 4 x 6, non-returnable photo clearly marked with name and age on the back. Photos will be displayed in the Culture Tent for the duration of the Festival.
- All clothing should be age appropriate and may incorporate the use of the Italian Colors (Green, White, and Red). No midriffs please, and shorts, skirts or dresses should be at fingertip length.
- Our pageant is strictly for fun; hair and makeup should be age appropriate. This is not a beauty contest!
- Contestants should use extreme caution and are encouraged to make certain there are no unnecessary photos on their Facebook page or any other social media sites. This includes written comments.
- Contestants will be judged on Speech, Stage Presence, and Prepared Questions.
- Contestants will be asked three (3) Main Questions on stage for the judges:
 - What does being Italian American mean to you?
 - What are your favorite Italian American Traditions?
 - What can you do to preserve and honor your Italian American Heritage and Traditions in the future?
 - Others may include what their favorite color is, what grade they are in, if they have any pets, favorite sports, favorite foods etc.
- The winner will abstain from public displays of affection towards their boyfriend while on Festival Grounds.
- All contestants will receive a ribbon. The winner will receive a crown and a sash.
- The winner is invited to attend the Closing Ceremonies at 7:25 p.m. held on the Mainstage (Center of the Field) on Sunday, Aug. 7th.
- The winner will be asked to introduce the Closing Act at 7:40 p.m. on the Main Entertainment Stage (Center of the Field) after the Closing Ceremonies.

To enter the Little Miss Italian American Pageant, please complete the form below, include a 4 x 6 non-returnable photo, and the \$10 nonrefundable fee payable to Festa Italiana, and mail to:

Festa Italiana
P.O Box 1915
Rockford, IL 61110.

Space is Limited. All entries must be postmarked by July 27th.

No late applications will be accepted

For more information contact k.cantele@comcast.net

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2016 Festa Italiana Little Miss Italian American Pageant Application

Name _____ Age _____

Birth Date _____ Grade in school for year 2016-17 _____

Address _____ City _____

Fun Facts!

(Will be displayed in the Culture Tent – use additional paper if needed)

Three words that best describe you:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Siblings:

Pets:

Achievements/Honors: (school/church/community)

Activities/Hobbies:

Future Goals or Ambitions: (School, Career, Sports)

Future Goals or Ambitions to further your Italian American Traditions:

How could you make your community a better place?

If you had \$100, what would you do with it?

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Consent Form

Contestants and parents agree to abide by the rules of the pageant. Good Sportsmanship is expected.

I _____ give permission for _____
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To participate in the Little Italian American Pageant 2015. I also give permission for the use of my child's name and pictures for publications such as the Festa Newspaper, the GRIAA website and other local publications.

Contestant Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____
Please print

Parent/Guardian Email _____ Cell Phone # _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date: _____