

**Little Miss Italian American Pageant**  
**Festa Italiana 2016**  
**Ages 5-8**

Thank you for your interest in our first Little Miss Italian American Pageant! The pageant will take place on Sat. Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 on the Festival Grounds (Boylan H.S. Practice Field). Contestants should meet at the Culture Tent at 11:45 p.m. with the pageant starting at 12:15 p.m. Please be prompt.

- Contestants must be no younger than 5, and no older than 8 years of age as of Sat. Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
- All contestants must be of Italian American Heritage.
- 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, and dresses should be at fingertip length.
- Our pageant is strictly for fun; No make-up is allowed. This is not a beauty contest.
- Contestants will be judged on Speech, Stage Presence, and Prepared Questions.
- Contestants will be asked two (2) Main Questions on stage for the judges:
  - What does being Italian American mean to you?
  - What are your favorite Italian American Traditions?
  - Others may include what their favorite color is, what grade they are in, if they have any pets, favorite food, sport etc.
- All Contestants will receive a ribbon. The winner will receive a crown and sash.
- The winner will be asked to introduce the 5:10 Act on the Main Entertainment Stage (Center of the Field) on Sunday, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>.
- The winner is also invited to attend the Closing Ceremonies, Sun. Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:25 p.m. held on the Mainstage (Center of the Field).

To enter the Little Miss Italian American Pageant, please complete the application, include a 4 x 6 nonreturnable photo, a \$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 27<sup>th</sup>.**

**No late applications will be accepted**

For more information contact [k.cantele@comcast.net](mailto:k.cantele@comcast.net)

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**2016 Festa Italiana Little Miss Italian American Pageant Application**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Grade for the 2016-17 School Year \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

**Fun Facts! (Will be displayed in the Culture Tent)**

Siblings:

Pets:

Activites/Hobbies:

Achievements/Honors: (School/Church/Community):

What would you like to do/be when you grow up?

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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 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print) (Please print)

To participate in the Little Italian American Pageant. 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.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_