

# Raylrode Daze Festival Established 1969

P.O. Box 158, Branchville SC 29432

April 5, 2022

Hello Raylrode Daze Contestants:

Thank you for your interest in the upcoming 2022 Raylrode Daze Pageant held on Sunday, May 15th at 2:00 PM in Branch Junction on the stage. In the case of inclement weather, the pageant will be held at the Railroad Freight Depot.

Enclosed is the application, rules and regulations sheet, and general information on the pageant. Please complete the attached application and send it with your entry fee. Early Bird Applications are accepted through May 1st at the reduced rate of \$25.00, as of May 2nd, the fee will increase to \$30.00.

Refunds will not be issued if you withdraw from the pageant after May 8. Deadline for submissions is May 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. We will not be responsible for applications not received or lost in the mail.

The stage will be open for practice on Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> the morning of the pageant as well as any time during daylight hours prior to the pageant. The stage will be set up in a standard "T" formation. It is recommended that first timers practice walking on the stage Saturday or Sunday AM prior to the pageant.

Please be sure and read the general information. Tell your friends and bring a chair. There will be a fundraiser ham dinner for pickup at the Freight Depot 11:00am-2pm on the Sunday of the pageant. Tickets are available for \$10/ plate in advance.

Thank you,

Pageant Committee  
Carrie Johnson  
Jan Wright

# 2022 Miss Raylrode Daze Pageant

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_  
                    First                                    Middle                                    Last

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
                    Street                                    City/State                                    Zip

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
                    home                                    cell

Age as of May 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Current school grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents: \_\_\_\_\_

Names and Ages of Siblings: \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholastic Achievements: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Thing about Raylrode Daze \_\_\_\_\_

Career Aspiration \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Movie or TV show \_\_\_\_\_

Sports and/or Extracurricular activities \_\_\_\_\_

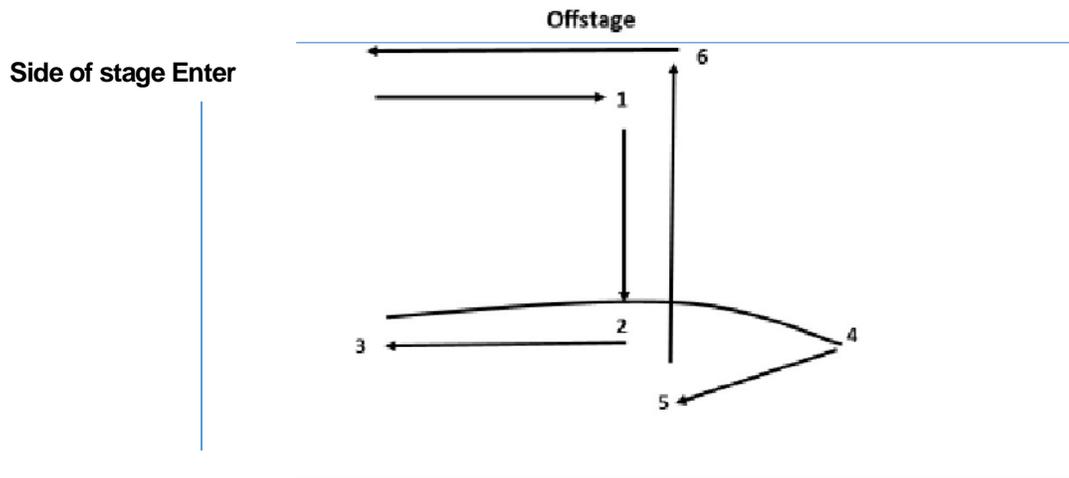
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Signature of parent or legal guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2022 Raylrode Daze Pageant Rules and Regulations

1. Contestants must complete the application in full and turn it in **before** the deadline to including all fees. The applications may be turned in at Farmers and Merchants Bank or at Branchville High School front office. Applications can also be given to Jan Wright, or mailed to 4669 Bowman Branch Hwy, Branchville SC 29432 or emailed to [readnwright.jan@gmail.com](mailto:readnwright.jan@gmail.com)
2. The entry fee is due in full at the time the application is submitted. This year the entry fee is \$25.00 (Early Bird) On May 2, entry fee increases to \$30.00. Refunds will not be issued if you withdraw from the pageant after May 8.
3. The pageant is open to contestants from the counties of **Orangeburg, Dorchester, Colleton, and Bamberg.**
4. If you are crowned any queen, you must dress in an appropriate manner representing the Town of Branchville.
5. Queens are expected to attend to Raylrode Daze Festival events including opening ceremonies September 23 at midday where they will give a short speech welcoming guest to the festival. At opening ceremonies, Queens will wear casual dress with sash and crown.
6. Queens are expected to attend the festival September 23-24 dressing in appropriate sportswear/ casual dress while always wearing your crown and sash. (No cut-offs, tank tops, excessively short skirts/shorts, etc.)
7. Queens are not allowed to compete on the year they are crowning their successor.
8. Queens need to provide a bio for the festival program book before June 1<sup>st</sup>. This can be emailed to [carriej658@gmail.com](mailto:carriej658@gmail.com).
9. Queens are **required** to ride in the annual Raylrode Daze Festival Parade. If you are unable to attend that parade for any reason, you will not be allowed to compete in the next age category in the future. Attire for the Raylrode Daze parade will be a casual dress like what you wear in the pageant and opening ceremonies. Queens are encouraged to ride in the Branchville Christmas parade wearing something festive such as a red or green dress or pants/ sweater for the Christmas season.
10. As a participant or Queen, you agree to hold harmless the Raylrode Daze Festival, Board, and volunteers from damages through loss, theft, or injury caused by or during participation in the pageant or pageant related events.

Diagram of stage. Please stop at each number. There will be X'S on stage at numbered locations



### Age Categories:

You will be placed in the category of your age as of May 1, 2022

**Ages Upcoming 4k-6      Little Miss Raylrode Daze**

**Ages 7-9                      Young Miss Raylrode Daze**

**Ages 10-12                  Junior Miss Raylrode Daze**

**Ages 13-15                  Teen Miss Raylrode Daze**

**Ages 16-19                  Miss Raylrode Daze**

**The pageant committee reserves the right to combine and/or delete age groups based on participation.**

## **For All Contestants**

### **Attire:**

We are having a natural pageant. Dressy sportswear or casual dresses such as sundresses, church dresses, jumpsuits, or pants suits. Clothing must be age appropriate, no sequins, glitzy or pageant dresses. No jeans, shorts, or costumes. No hairpieces. Contestants should model age-appropriate hair, clothing, and makeup. Points will be deducted if you do not follow these rules.

### **Awards:**

There will be awards for the winner, first and second runner-up if more than four contestants in each age division. Winners in each age group will receive a crown, medal, banner, and crown pin as well as be featured in the Raylrode Daze Program book.

### **Scoring:**

Judges will be looking for poise, eye contact, age-appropriate dress attire, natural beauty, smile, and personality. Judges score sheets WILL NOT be shared with anyone. Judges will deduct points for inappropriate attire and/or inability to follow attire guideline.

### **After the Pageant:**

Queens and runner ups need to remain for pictures to be taken following the pageant.

Please be sure and keep a copy of the guidelines for future reference throughout the year.

If a queen does anything immoral, the crown may be given to the 1st runner up, no exceptions.

Make sure you keep up with guidelines with information and what to wear at opening ceremonies and the parade.

