



**Royalty  
Program  
Bylaws and  
Contestant  
Application**

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## **1 INTRODUCTION**

Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Royalty Program consists of a horsemanship and leadership competition open to Garfield County residents.

### **1.1 Welcome**

Welcome to the Garfield County Royalty Program, we are happy to have you as a potential candidate!

The Garfield Board of County Commissioners, the Fair Board members and all the County staff are proud of the annual Garfield County Fair & Rodeo that began in 1938 in our County. Together we work to continue the strong tradition that it holds in our community as a valuable community event. The Royalty Program is an integral part of the fair and rodeo experience and we are happy you are hoping to join us in the experience!

### **1.2 Royalty Mission Statement**

The Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Royalty program is dedicated to provide an opportunity for young women to be spokespersons for the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo, the sport of rodeo, the western way of life and their community of Garfield County. The Royalty program utilizes teamwork, organizational skills, public speaking, community service, and relationships to prepare participants in becoming future community leaders.

### **1.3 General Information**

The Garfield County Fair Board (“Fair Board”), and its representatives, reserve the right to hold a judged contest to select participants at its discretion in accordance with the Royalty Bylaws and Application. The Fair Board has the ultimate authority over the royalty contest, contestants, crowned royalty and all others involved.

- a. Please read all paperwork thoroughly. You are responsible for knowing and following the Royalty Bylaws.
- b. Handwritten, not typed, signatures and initials are required.
- c. Please keep a copy of the Royalty Bylaws for your own reference.

## **2 ROYALTY ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- a. To qualify for all royalty positions you must be 12-18 years of age, and no older than 18 as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the competing year.
- b. Judges, Royalty Committee, and the Royalty Coordinator will decide contestant levels: Queen, Junior Queen, and Princess.
- c. Contestant must be a legal resident of Garfield County for the period of at least one year.

- d. Contestant must reside in Garfield County during their reign.
- e. Contestant must not have a criminal history.
- f. Contestant must be of sound moral character.
- g. Contestants cannot hold additional titles during their reign. Current Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Royalty is allowed to tryout consecutively.
- h. Parents and participants must comply with Garfield County Fair and Rodeo Royalty Program Bylaws for the full year of reign.
- i. Winners are required to attend the Colorado Association of Fairs and Shows (CAFS), royalty clinic in November of their reigning year. The dates and place of clinic are subject to change. Garfield County will pay for the cost of registration and hotel rooms for the royalty members and the Royalty Coordinator. Parents/guardians are welcome to attend and must pay for their registration and hotel rooms.

### 3 CONTEST RULES and PROCEEDINGS

- a. The application must be completed and turned in to the Garfield County Fair & Events Coordinator at 201 8th Street, Glenwood Springs, CO, 81601 by **October 13, 2017**.
- b. The contest tryouts will be held on **Saturday, October 14, 2017 at the Garfield County Fairgrounds**. A tentative schedule of royalty appearances is on page 16 of this packet. The times and locations are subject to change.
- c. If there are not enough applicants, the contest may be postponed until there are two or more applicants. The Royalty Coordinator and the Fair Board reserve the right to appoint qualified applicants to fill available positions.
- d. The Royalty for the following year will be announced at the PRCA rodeo during the fair.
- e. The year of reign begins September 1 of the competing year and continues until the August 31st the following year. If a contest has to be postponed due to lack of contestants, the reign will continue from the time of crowning until the following year's contest is completed. The previous royalty will not make appearances after the new royalty begins its reign.
- f. Equipment and saddle drapes purchased by the Fair Board are to be returned to the Royalty Coordinator at the end of their reign, no later than September 1<sup>st</sup>. If these items are missing or damaged, the original cost of the item will be charged to the person legally responsible.
- g. If not participating in the present contest, current royalty is expected to assist with tryouts.
- h. Contestants will be judged and scored in the following categories:

- Application
  - Appearance
  - Personal interview
  - Current events
  - Horsemanship knowledge and riding ability
  - Written Test
  - Speech Presentation
  - History of the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo
  - Participation at the upcoming Garfield County Fair and other events approved by the Royalty Coordinator.
- i. Contestants must be able to ride and have access to a suitable horse for the contest, rodeos, and all other approved events. Suitability will be determined at the contest and is left to the discretion of the Royalty Coordinator and Royalty Committee throughout the year.
- j. All contestants, parents/guardians and royalty are expected to comply with these bylaws, be friendly, courteous and respectful at all times. If there is any questionable behavior the Royalty Coordinator will report it to the Fair Board. The first offense will be documented by the Royalty Coordinator with a verbal warning. The second offense will be documented by the Royalty Coordinator with a written warning. The third offense will be documented by the Royalty Coordinator in writing and will require an appearance before the Fair Board. The Fair Board will decide penalties and/or dismissal from royalty and scholarship eligibility.
- k. Contestants and parents/guardians must submit all questions and/or concerns **in writing to the Royalty Coordinator**. If questions and/or concerns are not answered satisfactorily, then contestants and parents/guardians may submit the same questions and/or concerns **in writing to the Fair Board**.
- l. Contestants must know the basic rules and history of the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo events. Contestants should be familiar with and be able to explain these topics and aspects to anyone attending the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo.
- m. During the contest, if a contestant is in need of assistance, she may ask permission from the judges to obtain parental/guardian help. If permission is granted, a parent or guardian may assist. Otherwise, the parents and/or guardians are to remain in the stands as spectators.
- n. Parents and/or guardians of contestants are responsible for arrangements of horse and participant transportation to all events. Contestants must be on time and fully prepared to participate in the contest.
- o. Abuse to horses or people is not tolerated. Any hitting or jerking on a horse during the contest will result in elimination from the contest. Inappropriate verbal abuse to anyone during the contest will also result in elimination from the contest.
- p. If there is evidence that royalty, contestants or their parents and/or guardians do not follow these bylaws as set by the Fair Board and the Garfield Board of County Commissioners, titles may be revoked by the Fair Board at any time. If this occurs, all Garfield County royalty items issued must be promptly returned. These items include chaps, crowns, sashes, saddle blankets, and leg warmers. The royalty participant will not be eligible to be a contestant in future Garfield County Fair and Rodeo royalty contests.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **4 ROYALTY RESPONSIBILITIES**

Royalty members act as official Garfield County Fair & Rodeo spokespersons and also represent the sport of rodeo and all other Garfield County Fair events. Because they attract much publicity, they are easily recognized on a daily basis. Therefore, royalty and parents/guardians must always be respectful, organized, helpful and friendly. As changes in plans and events occur, sometimes with short notice, each person is expected to handle situations in a courteous manner. The following duties are examples and may not include all that may happen throughout the year.

### **4.1 QUEEN**

- a. To be a role model and mentor to the Junior Queen and Princess(es)
- b. To assist the Royalty Coordinator organizing appearances and encourage open communication of ideas with the royalty team.
- c. Flag carrying at events requested by the Royalty Coordinator.
- d. May invite royalty from other fairs and rodeos to Royalty Coordinator approved functions.
- e. May accept invitations to other appearances approved by Royalty Coordinator.
- f. Assists Royalty Coordinator with rodeo performances.
- g. Arrives early to prepare for all appearances and performances.
- h. The queen will follow instructions of event organizers and the Royalty Coordinator.
- i. Sign autographs during the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo and other Royalty Coordinator approved events.
- j. Participate in approved interviews with assistance of the Royalty Coordinator or Fair Board members.
- k. 24-hour notice is required if unable to attend scheduled functions.
- l. Participate in riding practices as scheduled by the Royalty Coordinator and other meetings as necessary.

## **4.2 JUNIOR QUEEN**

- a. Assists and communicates with the other royalty
- b. Serves in the role of the Queen when, and if, she is unable to attend an event.
- c. Flag carrying at events requested by the Royalty Coordinator.
- d. Helps with most events throughout the fair & rodeo.
- e. Signs autographs during the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo and other Royalty Coordinator approved events.
- f. Assists the Queen and Princess (es) in educating spectators about fair and rodeo events and in answering questions.
- g. Participate in Royalty Coordinator approved interviews as they arise.
- h. Participate in riding practices as scheduled by the Royalty Coordinator and other meetings as necessary.

## **4.3 PRINCESS(ES)**

- a. Works closely with the other royalty.
- b. Flag carrying at events requested by the Royalty Coordinator.
- c. Helps with most events throughout the fair & rodeo.
- d. Helps the Queen and Junior Queen in educating spectators about fair and rodeo events and in answering questions.
- e. Participate in Royalty Coordinator approved interviews as they arise.
- f. Participate in riding practices as scheduled by the Royalty Coordinator and other meetings as necessary.
- g. Signs autographs during the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo and other Royalty Coordinator approved events.

## **4.4 ROYALTY COORDINATOR**

- a. Works closely with the Garfield County Fair Board, designated county staff, Queen, Junior Queen, Princess(es) and their parents/guardians.
- b. Royalty Coordinator may not be a parent or guardian of current reigning royalty.
- c. Plans appearances for the royalty. Prepares and sends in all entry forms as required and assists at each rodeo, coordinating all participants for each event.



- d. Plans and organizes photographs, printing of slicks, magazine and newspaper articles with the Garfield County Fair Coordinator.
- e. Orders clothing, crowns, sashes, and buckles that have been approved by the Fair Board. Will make sure all royalty clothing will be modest and fit properly, with no clothing fitting too tightly or being too large. Royalty Coordinator will be sure that all clothing is adequately cleaned and pressed, and that all accessories worn by royalty are within pre-approved guidelines for all events.
- f. Confirms that all equipment is in good condition at all times and follows up as needed.
- g. Coordinates the royalty contest each year with the Royalty Committee. This includes preparing judge's sheets and scheduling judges required.
- h. Works closely with the Royalty Committee to plan, organize and address situations, questions and/or changes that need to be made in the program. Communicates to Fair Board as needed.
- i. Responsible for reporting any behavior issues to the Fair Board members. These reports will also be documented by the Royalty Coordinator and sent to the Garfield County Fair & Events Coordinator to keep on record.
- j. Delegates royalty duties as needed.
- k. Coordinates royalty activities with the various Garfield County Fair event leaders to ensure the fair events run smoothly, and that royalty members are prepared to carry out duties efficiently.
- l. Mentor royalty members in public speaking, event behaviors, manners, horsemanship, and proper etiquette, seeking assistance as needed.
- m. Will conduct meetings and riding practices as needed with all royalty.
- n. Coordinate the attendance of one or more royalty member, at Fair Board meetings. This appearance will require a brief report on the past month's royalty calendar of events, meetings, riding practices. This will aid in royalty members' public speaking experience, keep the Fair Board familiar with royalty members, and build the relationships for open communication.
- o. Coordinate the annual "Princess for a Day and Little Buckaroo Day" events with the Royalty Committee. This will include setting the agenda for the day, coordination of responsibilities, communication with the Fair Board and county staff to ensure good marketing and coordination with all other events.

#### **4.5 PARENTS / GUARDIANS**

- a. Parent(s)/guardian(s) may assist Royalty Coordinator during events as needed.
- b. Siblings or friends are not allowed in the contestant area or arena gates without Royalty Coordinator authorization.

- c. Assists with appearances as requested by the Royalty Coordinator.
- d. Ensures that royalty is early and properly prepared for each appearance.
- e. Responsible for getting their child and horse to each event.

## **5 ROYALTY EXPECTATIONS**

### **5.1 GENERAL EXPECTATIONS**

- a. All royalty is expected to be ready to assist with events at the fair and at other functions as requested by the Royalty Coordinator.
- b. Carrying flags is required for each royalty members during the fair. They may be asked to carry flags, among other duties, at other appearances.
- c. A horse, horse tack, and all equipment must be provided by each royalty member.
- d. Royalty members, their parents/guardians, the Royalty Coordinator or the Royalty Committee are not authorized to make any expenditure on behalf of the royalty program without the written consent of the Fair Coordinator. No reimbursement will be made without prior approval from Garfield County Fair Board.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

### **5.2 ATTENDANCE**

- a. With the exception of the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo, each royalty member can miss only two of the required appearances. Appearances will be planned by the royalty coordinator. Each family will be notified of planned appearances and changes in the schedule. All appearances must be pre-approved by the royalty coordinator.
- b. Royalty will not travel to or from required events with a boyfriend.
- c. The queen, junior queen, and princess(es) are required to represent the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo in a minimum of six Royalty Coordinator approved events. These can include rodeos, parades or other promotional events. These may be done with or without horses.
- d. All prizes and awards won at parades are the property of Garfield County.
- e. The Queen, Junior Queen, and Princess(es) will be supplied with slicks and other marketing materials to hand out in Garfield County and at other appearances they attend.
- f. The Queen, Junior Queen, and Princess(es) must be willing to be photographed and sign autographs at all appearances throughout the entire year of reign. They shall act as official spokespersons for the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo and must always appear approachable.

- g. Cell phone use must be postponed until after an appearance. Necessary calls or messaging must be done in private and need to be very brief.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

### **5.3 APPEARANCE**

- a. Royalty members and horses must be spotless and well-groomed for each appearance. Each girl must always wear her crown, sash and belt buckle to each appearance. She needs to wear stylish western attire that is approved by the Royalty Coordinator, have her hair styled and makeup done appropriate for her age. She must be presentable upon arrival to each appearance.
- b. At each Garfield County Fair event, the royalty may sign autographs at a designated location. They may also do so at other events with permission from the Royalty Coordinator.
- c. Unless otherwise notified, choices of clothing are provided by Fair Board through the Royalty Coordinator. The Queen, Junior Queen and Princess(es) are expected to wear the complete outfits. The Queen, Junior Queen and Princess(es) must purchase their own black boots, black Wrangler jeans, black belt, and black and white hats. All jeans are not to have excessive bling and will be approved by the Royalty Coordinator. Low-rise jeans are not allowed. These items will coordinate with shirts provided by the Fair Board.
- d. To appear more approachable, it is best that royalty members are independent of parents/guardians and friends when making appearances; however, parents/guardians may need to be available for supervision.
- e. No visible body piercings, other than single holes for earrings, or tattoos are allowed. All jewelry and accessories are to be age appropriate and appropriate for horse riding. Necklace and earring pendants are not to exceed 1" in size, and are not to out show the crown, sash or buckle.
- f. By earning the position of Queen, Junior Queen or Princess, royalty may be photographed, interviewed and published in many forms of media.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

### **5.4 PUBLIC BEHAVIORS FOR ROYALTY, FAMILIES & COORDINATOR**

- a. Each member must always be on her best behavior while holding these titles. People recognize royalty wherever they are at any time of day. Whether in royalty attire or at school or public functions, royalty members need to dress appropriately.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

- b. No swearing, smoking, drinking of alcohol, or use of any tobacco products or illegal drugs, with or without royalty attire, during your royalty reign while representing the Garfield County Fair and Rodeo. Failure to comply with this rule may result in relinquishment of title at the discretion of the Garfield County Fair Board.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

- c. As a representative of the Garfield County Fair and Rodeo, all royalty shall dress appropriately in Western attire with crown, sash and buckle at all required appearances and events. The royalty member and her horse shall be neat and well groomed. Inappropriate attire and/or grooming will be immediately corrected if required by the Royalty Coordinator and/or Fair Board.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

- d. Fighting, loud, disruptive and other inappropriate language and behavior, while representing the Garfield County Fair and Rodeo, will not be tolerated and may result in relinquishment of title at the discretion of the Fair Board.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

- e. The royalty will refrain from any public display of affection with a significant other. This includes, but is not limited to kissing, handholding, and sitting on laps.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## 5.5 ON-LINE BEHAVIOR

- Online behavior cannot contain any material that exploits or compromises the expectations of the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo royalty titles. This includes: electronic social media, Facebook, twitter, My Space, email, phone and all other means of communication. Any inappropriate postings will be asked to be removed. Reoccurrences of inappropriate postings may result in relinquishment of the royalty title at the discretion of the Garfield County Fair Board.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## 5.6 TIMELINESS

- Royalty is required to be early (dressed and saddled a minimum of 30 minutes prior) to each appearance wearing the required garments.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

### 5.7 GRATITUDE

- Royalty is expected to write thank you notes when and to whom it is necessary within one week of the event occurrence as required by the Royalty Coordinator.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

### 5.8 KNOWLEDGE

- Be familiar with the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo events. Each person needs to be able to explain basic information about events, rules and equipment so she can explain it to a stranger/spectator. She must also know about the town and attractions and current events. Refer to the included Topics and Study Guide on page 17.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

### 5.9 MOUNT

- Royalty members must ride a suitable mount. No studs will be allowed. The rider must always demonstrate control in any situation. Rider must be able to control their horse one-handed. If there is any doubt about the suitability of the horse or the rider's ability to control it, the Royalty Coordinator has authority to dismiss the horse temporarily or permanently if necessary. If this occurs, there will be a verbal notice by the Royalty Coordinator followed up by a written notice signed by the Royalty Coordinator, royalty member, and parents(s)/guardian(s). Horse, tack and equipment must always be in good repair and safe. This is at the discretion of the Royalty Coordinator.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

### 5.10 RODEO COMPETITION

- Royalty members are allowed to compete in rodeo competitions, other than the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo and as long as the competition does not interfere with their royalty duties.
- Royalty members and their mounts, are not allowed to wear any part of the Garfield County Royalty attire while they are competing.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## **6 SCHOLARSHIP AND FUNDRAISING**

### **6.1 SCHOLARSHIP**

- a. The outgoing queen may be awarded a scholarship from the Clough Family Estate that can be applied to any form of further education. Funds will be awarded by the family estate upon receiving appropriate information for the scholarship winner from the Fair Coordinator. The scholarship award will be sent directly to the school chosen. The individual must be enrolled in an accredited school to receive funds.
- b. Royalty Participants are allowed to solicit donations only for the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Royalty Scholarship Fund, which is administrated by the 2 Rivers Community Foundation, a Colorado non-profit corporation. Donors must fill out the Royalty Scholarship Fund Donation Form, provided by the Garfield County Fair & Events Coordinator or on line at <http://garfieldcountyfair.com/royalty>. Donations can also be made online at [http://www.2rcf.org/?page\\_id=729](http://www.2rcf.org/?page_id=729).
- c. A maximum scholarship of \$1,000 may be awarded from the 2 Rivers Community Foundation Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Royalty Scholarship Fund. Donations must be received by July 31<sup>st</sup> of the year of reign. An application must be submitted to the scholarship committee, consisting of current Fair Board members, the Royalty Coordinator and a member from the 2 Rivers Community Foundation board. The scholarship committee will make recommendations and final approval will be granted by the 2 Rivers Community Foundation Board. Eligible applicants are current or immediate past royalty members, who are sophomore level to first year (freshman) in in college. Scholarships will be awarded for attending an accredited school or certificate program in an accredited school. Former royalty must be in good standing in the community, to be determined by the Fair Board.
- d. The maximum scholarship award each year is \$2,500 total per individual from both scholarship funds (2 Rivers Community Foundation and Clough Family Estate). A scholarship award must be used within 18 months of high school graduation, otherwise the scholarship award is forfeited. Funds will be awarded in the name of the recipient and will be sent directly to the school.
- e. Funds may be awarded based on performance in the following areas:
  - Horsemanship
  - Royalty Appearance Attendance
  - Royalty Meeting Attendance
  - Public Speaking
  - Congeniality
  - Community Service

### **6.2 FUNDRAISING**

- a. The Royalty Program is funded as part of the Garfield County Fair and Rodeo budget within the Garfield County Community Events Fund. Budgeted expenses of the Royalty Program are the responsibility of Garfield County. Royalty participants may raise funds for the Royalty Program only as described in this section. Expenses beyond budgeted expenses are the responsibility of individual participants.
- b. Royalty participants may fundraise for the Royalty Program in the following three approved activities or other fundraising activities as approved by the Fair Board.

- o Garfield County Royalty Clinic
  - o Garfield County Fair Princess for a Day
  - o Carbondale Rodeo popcorn sales
- c. No royalty participant or parent shall solicit sponsorships or participate in any kind or type of fundraising except as described herein.
- d. All checks shall be made out to the Garfield County Treasurer.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

**Royalty members and parent / guardians must follow the rules provided in these Bylaws and Contestant Application. Failure to do so can result in revocation of the title and forfeit of all awards as determined by the Fair Board.**

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Applicant Signature

Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



**Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Royalty Contestant Tryouts  
October 14, 2017, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm  
Garfield County Fairgrounds**

**Tentative schedule subject to change**

**8:00 am - 1:00 pm**

- Contestant Introductions
- Personal Interview
- Speeches
- Impromptu Questions (2-3 minutes maximum)
- Horsemanship (Required to Control Horse One-Handed)
- Group Grooming, location specified later
- Pattern
- Hot Lap
- Flag Carrying
- Written Test

During any part of the contest, parents/guardians and other adults are spectators only and contestants need to ask judges if they need parental assistance. Parents/guardians are to remain in the grand stands or horse trailers until notified or until permission is granted from the judges.

The contestants will also be judged during fair week on their assistance with 4-H, appearance, work ethic and their interaction with fair guests and children. The new royalty team will be announced during the PRCA rodeo at the Garfield County Fair. We appreciate all the effort that each and every contestant and parent puts into entering the Royalty Program. Thank you for your time, energy and commitment to your future and the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo!

Sincerely,

The Garfield Board of County Commissioners  
The Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Fair Board Members  
The Garfield County Staff





## Garfield County Fair Royalty Topics & Study Guide

- What is the job of rodeo royalty?
- Be able to name some of the major sponsors of the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo.
- Describe events and activities at the rodeos including basic rules.
- Describe equipment used by the contestants for each rodeo event.
- Which rodeo events are timed, which are scored?
- Describe misperceptions of rodeo equipment and animals that spectators might have (spurs, flank straps, hot shots, and treatment.).
- Be able to describe instances for each rodeo event when a cowboy or cowgirl is penalized or eliminated.
- Describe the jobs of pickup men, bull fighters, barrel man, judges, timers, announcer, chute help, and rodeo secretary.
- Know the history of the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo.
- Where and when did the sport of rodeo originate?
- What do the winners of the Garfield County Fair rodeos receive?
- How are champions decided?
- Know admission costs for spectators, when gates open and when events start.
- Know current events, including those the morning of the contest.
- Where is the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo?
- How does someone enter an exhibit?
- Who is Miss Rodeo Colorado? Who is Miss Rodeo America and where is she from?
- Know your horse's health program, veterinary, farrier, etc.
- Know parts of the horse and tack. Know what the purpose of each piece of equipment.
- Have an opinion on current events and issues while acknowledging other views.
- Know what the colors of the American and Colorado flags represent.
- What are the proper ways to take care of the American flag? What is the protocol for its display? How should the flags be presented in the arena?
- What does PRCA, WPRA, CPRA, PBR stand for?
- Where is the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame museum located? What will you find there?
- Be able to name some famous cowboys and cowgirls. What records do they hold?
- What is the difference between animal rights and animal welfare?
- Who are the United States President and Vice President? Local and state government officials?
- What is the Cowboy Crisis Fund?

### Possible Research Sources:

- Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association web site and Rule Book, Miss Rodeo Colorado web site, Garfield County fair book, and [www.garfieldcountyfair.com](http://www.garfieldcountyfair.com).



## Tentative Schedule of Appearances

*Subject to Change -*

*Appearances may be added or cancelled with short notice*

Riding Practices & meetings	Days TBA	GarCo Fairgrounds
Ranch Roping	September	Carbondale
Burning Mountain Parade	September	New Castle
CAFS Royalty Clinic (Colorado Assoc. of Fairs and Shows)	November	Colorado Springs
Holy Cross Cattlemen's Banquet	January	Glenwood Springs/Rifle
Stock Show	January	Denver
Horse Expo	March	Denver
Strawberry Days Parade	June	Glenwood Springs
Eagle Flight Days Parade	June	Eagle
Beaver Creek Rodeo	TBA	Avon
Eagle County Fair & Rodeo	July	Eagle
Carbondale Rodeo	TBA, Thursdays	Carbondale
Snowmass Rodeo	TBA, Wednesdays	Snowmass
Range Call Parade	July	Meeker
Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Royalty Tryouts	July	Garfield County Fairgrounds
Cheyenne Frontier Day	July	Cheyenne, WY
Silt Heyday Parade	July	Silt
Grand Valley Days Rodeo	July	Parachute
Mountain Fair	July	Carbondale
Princess for a Day/Lil' Buckaroo	July	Fairgrounds
Garfield County Fair & Rodeo	August	Fairgrounds



## Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Royalty Application

- Please type or print your answers legibly to avoid penalty.
- Please hand deliver or mail required forms to the Garfield County Fair & Events Coordinator at 201 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Glenwood Springs, CO, 81601 by October 13, 2017.
- Late or incomplete applications are not accepted
- If you have questions about this application, please contact:
  - Eileen Sheets – (970) 274-4485, rockymountainbc@aol.com
  - Doreen Herriott – (970) 945-1377, Ext. 4002, dherriott@garfield-county.com

### Contestant Information

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

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Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of January 1 (This Year) \_\_\_\_\_

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Mailing Address: Street or P. O. Box \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Address: (If Different Than Mailing) \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

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Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you communicate through text? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you communicate through email? \_\_\_\_\_

School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size: Adult Size \_\_\_\_\_ Child Size \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Honors or Awards: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Experience with rodeo, horses, showing, etc.:

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Royalty experience with dates and positions held:

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Have you ever had any disciplinary warnings while holding a Royalty title? If so, please explain:

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Other:

Speech Topic

- Please be prepared to give a short introduction about yourself, no longer than two minutes.

Essay Topic

- On a separate page, please answer the question below, in a minimum of 100 words

*Why do you want to be a part of the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Royalty?*

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By signing below I agree to the following:

In consideration of my application being accepted, I hereby for myself, my executor, administrators and assignees, agree to abide, and that they shall abide, by all rules and regulations as described in these Bylaws and Contestant Application pertaining to the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Contest. I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREED TO THE RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT.

I certify that I know the rules of the aforementioned Royalty Program and agree to abide by them. The undersigned has read the foregoing carefully, have had an opportunity to seek any desired clarification, and agree to these terms and conditions of participation.

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Applicant Signature

Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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**Parent/Guardian Information**

Parent/Guardian First Name

Last Name

Parent/Guardian First Name

Last Name

Parent/Guardian Home Phone Number(s)

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone Number(s)

Parent/Guardian Email(s)

Do you communicate through text? \_\_\_\_\_

**Garfield County Fair & Rodeo  
Release and Waiver of Liability & Assumption of Risk Agreement**

**Covered Events:**

**Garfield County Fair & Royalty Contest and all future Royalty Events**

In consideration for being permitted to participate in these Royalty Events, I, for myself or on behalf of the participant, as the participant's parent or legal guardian, acknowledge and voluntarily agree to the following:

I understand the potential risks of participation in these events and that I am releasing the event holders and sponsors from any liability related thereto. Working with live animals is inherently unpredictable and potentially dangerous. Reactions to strange sounds, surroundings, different handlers, and sudden movements cannot always be anticipated nor controlled. The handling of animals by other participants cannot always be anticipated nor controlled by the event holders or sponsors. Thus, there are always inherent risks to participation.

**Assumption of Risk:** I fully understand that participation in these events may not only involve risk of serious injury or death, economic loss, property damage, or loss that may result from the participant's own actions, inactions, or negligence, but also from the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the condition of the facilities, equipment or areas where the Royalty Event is being conducted, and the participant voluntarily agrees to assume this risk.

**Covenant Not to Sue:** The participant's personal and legal representatives, heirs, successors, and next of kin will not make any claim against Board of County Commissioners of Garfield County, Colorado, or any of its present or former officials, employees, agents, attorneys, insurers, and representatives and their respective successors, heirs and assigns or any volunteer(s) ("herein collectively referred to as Garfield County"), for injury, damage, death, or any other loss arising from or related to participation in these events.

**Release:** The participant's personal and legal representatives, heirs, successors, and next of kin, forever release, waive, discharge and relinquish Garfield County from any and all actions, causes of action, claims, charges, demands, losses, damages, costs, attorney's fees, judgments, liens, indebtedness, and liabilities of every kind and character, whether known or unknown, including foreseen or unforeseen bodily injury and personal injuries and property damage that may be sustained by the participant in any way connected to, related to, or arising out of participation in these events, regardless of any negligence of Garfield County. Garfield County may be protected by the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, C.R.S. § 24-10-101, et. seq.

**Good Health:** The participant is in good health and has no physical condition that would prevent him/her from participating in these events or that would increase the risk of serious injury or death in the event of an accident. I have had the opportunity to seek medical advice for any concerns I may have had regarding the participant's health.

**Statutory Limitations on Liability:** I understand that under Colorado Law, equine professionals or equine activity sponsors are not liable for injury due to death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risk of equine activities, pursuant to C.R.S. § 13-21-119.

I have carefully read this Agreement and fully understand its contents. I am aware that I have given up substantial rights of the participant by signing the Agreement, and I am signing the Agreement voluntarily. There is no obligation to participate in these events but I desire to do so or to allow such participation. I certify that I am at least eighteen years of age and the participant or his/her parent/legal guardian.

Participant Name

Signature(s) of Adult Participant or Parent / Legal Guardian

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Emergency Contact and Phone Number(s)

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Additional Emergency Information that may be helpful or deemed necessary:

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## ROYALTY CONTESTANT CHECKLIST

1. Typed or printed application
2. Essay "Why do you want to be a part of the Garfield County Fair & Rodeo Royalty?"
3. Contestant Bylaws and Application– signed and dated
4. Royalty Expectations (within Bylaws)– Signed, initialed and dated in each space indicated
5. Royalty Application (within Bylaw)– signed and dated
6. Release and Waiver – signed and dated
7. One color photograph (in western attire) - 4" x 6"
8. Proof of Garfield County residency (Copy of school ID or license, etc.)