



Dear Miss Oktoberfest Contestant:

We are so excited you have decided to compete in the historical, annual Miss Oktoberfest Pageant! You will become part of a sorority of Oconee County women who have vied for this prestigious title for over 30 years! The pageant is set for **SUNDAY**, October 6, at Walhalla Middle School at 4:00 PM. A schedule of events is attached.

Contestants must be enrolled in an Oconee County high school to be eligible and will compete in private interview, casual wear and eveningwear (all phases count equally). In addition to naming Miss Oktoberfest (the contestant with the overall highest score), we will also recognize 4 runners-up. An optional competition/award – the Miss Oktoberfest Sweetheart Winner (not part of the judges' scores) is attached.

Regarding attire, you will need three basic outfits: interview, casual wear of your choice, and formal wear of your choice; please choose appropriate outfits that would not be questionable or inappropriate for young ladies in high school.

Other rehearsal and pageant guidelines are as follows:

- *Contestants must conduct themselves as young **LADIES** at all times.
- *Only contestants and one parent are allowed at the rehearsal.
- *No food or drinks are allowed in the auditorium at any time.
- *Please have a ride available to and from rehearsal; in order for you to compete, you must attend the rehearsal.
- *No contestant is to have anyone (mother, sister, friend, etc.) in the dressing area (Band room) at any time after 3:30. You may have one person assist you in bringing in your dress, etc., but this person must leave immediately. We will have female helpers to assist you throughout the pageant. Any contestant violating these guidelines will be disqualified.
- *Contestants will not receive copies of the judges' scores, and these scores will not be discussed with anyone after the pageant.
- ***Miss Oktoberfest is expected to attend certain Oktoberfest activities on Oct. 18, 19 and 20.** We will discuss these specific obligations at the orientation meeting.
- *Miss Oktoberfest will receive a \$500 scholarship, which will be paid directly to the college of her choice upon her graduation from high school.
- * I agree that during my reign I will conduct my activities and life respectfully, and I will not engage in activities that might bring myself or the Miss Oktoberfest title public disrepute, ridicule, contempt or scandal or might otherwise reflect unfavorably upon myself or the Miss Oktoberfest Program. I agree and understand that GC Pageants reserves the right to relinquish my title if I have conducted or conduct myself in a manner deemed inappropriate by GC Pageants. If, for any reason, I resign or have my title taken from me, I forfeit the scholarship awarded.

A non-refundable entry fee of \$75, along with a completed contestant application and verification statements form (included) should be mailed to and received at the address below no later than **Friday, September 27th**. Please make checks payable to GC Pageants. Also, please e-mail a photograph (headshot in high resolution and preferably color) to gcpageantsllc@gmail.com by **Friday, September 27th**. This photograph will be used in press releases advertising the pageant. Tickets for the pageant are \$7.00 and will be sold at the door (cash only, please).

Again, we are very excited about your participation in the pageant. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

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Miss Oktoberfest Sweetheart Competition:

This is an **optional** competition and is not part of the scoring for Miss Oktoberfest. However, if you wish to participate, the contestant who collects the most signatures (\$1 each) will receive the title of Miss Oktoberfest Sweetheart. Also, if you collect \$100 or more, \$50 of your earnings will be donated to one of the following charities: **American Red Cross, Our Daily Rest, Humane Society of Oconee County, United Way, Hospice of the Foothills – or the charity of your choice.**

This is an opportunity to get community support from your friends and family and also give back to a great cause! Use the Sweetheart entry form below to start today. **The signatures and funds are not due until the day of the pageant.**

If you collect more than 50 signatures, make additional copies of the following sheet. **Please make sure to bring each signature sheet, your money, and total amount collected the day of the pageant. We will collect this prior to your interview.**

Miss Oktoberfest Sweetheart Signatures:

1.	17.	33.	49.
2.	18.	34.	50.
3.	19.	35.	
4.	20.	36.	
5.	21.	37.	
6.	22.	38.	
7.	23.	39.	
8.	24.	40.	
9.	25.	41.	
10.	26.	42.	
11.	27.	43.	
12.	28.	44.	
13.	29.	45.	
14.	30.	46.	
15.	31.	47.	
16.	32.	48.	



(Please complete this page neatly; judges and emcee will receive this. You may NOT use any additional pages and, if re-typed, use same format.)

Name: _____

Future Plans/Career Ambition: _____

Three words that describe you: _____, _____, & _____

School/Community activities in which you are involved: _____

Honors and Awards: _____

Hobbies: _____

Talents/Hidden Talents: _____

If you were to volunteer for a cause, what would it be? _____



Miss Oktoberfest Pageant Verification Statements

Parent/Guardian Verification Statement:

I have read and understand the Miss Oktoberfest Pageant Guidelines and Schedule of Events. I give my daughter _____ permission to complete in the pageant and will not hold GC Pageants, LLC or Walhalla Middle School responsible for any loss or damages.

Parents'/Guardians' full names: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Student's Cell Phone #: _____

Student's e-mail address: _____

Student's mailing address: _____

In case of emergency, please contact _____ at _____.

Date: _____

School Official Verification Statement:

_____ is enrolled as a full time student in good standing in the _____ grade at _____ high school. If, for any reason, you have concerns regarding this student, please contact Greg Bearden @864-882-8558.

Guidance Counselor Signature: _____

Date: _____



Miss Oktoberfest Schedule of Events Walhalla Middle School

Friday, Sept. 27	5:00		Deadline: Fees/paperwork/photo
Sunday, September 29	2:00-5:00	Walhalla Middle Auditorium	Contestant orientation/rehearsal
Sunday, October 6	1:00	Lobby	Turn in "Sweetheart" money & receive contestant number
	1:30-3:00	School Conference Room	Interviews
	3:00-3:25	School Auditorium	Final rehearsal/opening number
	3:30	School Band Room	All contestants in dressing area (closed to contestants only)
	4:00	School Auditorium	Showtime!

Good Luck to All Contestants!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!