

The Purpose:

The purpose of the Fairest of the Fair program is to promote a variety of opportunities – educational, agricultural, social, cultural and commercial – at the Green Lake County Fair. The Green Lake County Fairest of the Fair term is a one year term from January 2020 to January 2021. If you are selected as Green Lake County Fairest of the Fair, you are the official ambassador of the Fair and will represent the Green Lake County Fair at the Wisconsin Association of Fairs Convention for an opportunity to become the 2021 Wisconsin State Fairest of the Fair.

Fairest Requirements:

The following skills are essential to perform the duties of Fairest of the Fair. You must be devoted to the Green Lake County Fair, poised, mature, outgoing, articulate, and sensitive to all types of people. You may be required to be out in the elements for long hours while meeting and greeting guests. With reference to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), please let us know if you will need accommodations, such as reasonable modifications or adjustments for this process.

The contestants chosen to participate in the 2020 Fairest of the Fair competition will be required to perform a memorized 30 second self-introduction and advertisement promoting the Green Lake County Fair at the coronation ceremony. The chosen 2020 Fairest of the Fair will be asked to participate in local parades and attend additional events. The Fairest of the Fair will be required to compete for the Wisconsin State Fairest of the Fair title in January 2021 at the Wisconsin Association of Fairs Convention, WI Dells.

You must be able to adapt to any situation and be dependable and professional in the performance of your duties. Appropriate cell phone and social networking etiquette should be maintained at all times during your role as Fairest of the Fair. The position will be challenging and as rewarding as you make it. We seek candidates who are exemplary in their line of study and who have a passion for the Fair, continued education and service to our community.

- Must be 18 years of age by January 1, 2020 and cannot be over 25 years of age as of August 5, 2019.
- Must be a resident of the state of Wisconsin for at least one year prior to entry.
- Must have a valid driver's license, with a good driving record
- May not have been convicted of a felony act
- For the purpose of selecting the Fairest, all decisions will be left up to the panel of judges.
- All rules and regulations are subject to review

Educational Scholarship Information:

Compensation to the Fairest of the Fair is a \$500 continuing education scholarship from the Green Lake County Fair Promotions Committee. The scholarship will be awarded after the completion of the Fairest of the Fair term. Failure to complete required Fairest of the Fair activities could result in loss of continuing education scholarship.

Application Process:

Please submit a cover letter and resume with the following information:

- Education
- School Clubs and Organizations
- School Honors and Awards
- Community Activities (church, 4-H, FFA, volunteer work, fair, etc.)
- Current Employment and Work Responsibilities
- Personal, Educational, and Professional Goals and Ambitions
- Hobbies and Interests

Using Times New Roman, size 12 font, with 1 inch margins, provide typed answers to the following questions. Please limit your responses to two pages.

- 1. What knowledge and skills do you possess that make you a qualified Fairest of the Fair candidate? How will they assist you in your reign as Fairest of the Fair?
- 2. What's your favorite part of the Fair and why?
- 3. What could be done to encourage more young individuals to compete for the Fairest of the Fair title?
- 4. Why is the role of Fairest of the Fair important to Green Lake County? What's one new idea that you would like to implement while serving as Fairest of the Fair? (i.e. Promotion, activities, entertainment, etc.)
- 5. Why do you want to be the next Green Lake County Fairest of the Fair?

This application, a signed Eligibility Requirement document, \$25 sponsorship fee (made payable to the Green Lake County UW Extension Office), along with a wallet size headshot photo is due to the Green Lake County UW-Extension Office, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI 54941 by Friday, July 26, 2019.

- Interviews will be conducted on Tuesday , July 30, 2019 , 4:00 p.m. , location TBD
- Coronation will be held at the Green Lake County Fair on Sunday, August 4, 2019 during the Awards Ceremony, which begins at 12:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact Emily Strahota Fairest of the Fair Secretary, <u>eschmuhl2015@gmail.com</u>.