

2018



Court Application Packet & Coronation Guidelines

August 3-5, 2018

The Program

In 2018, the Woodburn Fiesta Mexicana will be celebrating its 55th anniversary! The Fiesta is the largest and most recognized annual event in the Woodburn area. Candidates of the Woodburn Fiesta Mexicana Court will find their experiences and varied social engagements to be challenging, while also rewarding. Candidates will be evaluated according to their demonstrated commitment to academics, community service, as well as their performance during official Fiesta Court functions. The Coronation of the “Fiesta Queen” and “First Princess” will take place at the Fiesta Mexicana on Friday, August 3, 2018.

Being a member of the Fiesta Court is a great honor that carries with it the responsibility for representing the Woodburn community and the Fiesta itself. The Court Program will provide candidates with exposure to activities and training that will help prepare them for academic, community service, and career opportunities.

The Woodburn area community is filled with intelligent, creative, and resilient people that, when given skills and opportunities, will find solutions to improve their and their community’s quality of life. Therefore, a major focus of the program will be related to the candidates’ participation in volunteer or advocacy activities that provide social or livability benefits to the community. In evaluating candidates, the Fiesta Court Committee will be looking for dedicated individuals with solid leadership skills, a strong work ethic, and a commitment to honesty and integrity.

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To be eligible for the Woodburn Fiesta Mexicana Court, individuals must be:

- Female
- A Student enrolled any of the following high schools: Woodburn, Gervais or North Marion, a Woodburn Resident who is home schooled or attending high school equivalent institution or charter school
- A high school Junior or graduating senior during the 2017/2018 school year
- In possession of a 2.5 GPA of or better (must submit current high school transcript)
- Bi-lingual in both English and Spanish

Fiesta Mexicana Court Application

Name _____ Birth date _____ Age _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

School _____ Expected Graduation Date _____

Which languages do you speak fluently? _____

Social Media account name(s): i.e. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, snapchat, etc. _____

APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF THEIR CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT

Please submit your completed application and answers to the Supplemental Questions (see next page) to: Woodburn Fiesta Mexicana Court, City of Woodburn, 270 Montgomery St, Woodburn OR 97071 by, May 15, 2018.

If you have any questions or need more details please contact:

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Supplemental Questions

In responding to the following questions/statements, please answer all in a typewritten format and attach to the application. Handwritten answers will not be accepted. As a convenience, the City of Woodburn Public Library provides usage of a personal computer upon sign-up and approved access. Your answers in total may not be more than 2 pages and not less than 1 page.

1. Describe any civic and/or volunteer projects you have been involved with outside of school functions, during your years in Middle School and/or High School.
2. Share one event that impacted a major decision in your life.
3. Please describe your short term (2-3 year projection) academic and career goals.
4. Why do you want to be a representative for your school and community as Woodburn's Fiesta Princess or Queen?

Rules, Regulations and Conduct Guidelines

1. Candidates who are accepted into the Fiesta Court program are expected to arrive on time and participate in the orientation, interview, and all coaching and practice sessions, promotional activities, and various other events and official social functions. By submitting the enclosed application, candidates acknowledge that they understand that being a member of the Fiesta Court is a privilege and will require a time commitment over the course of the program.
2. Court Candidates must attend, and be on time to all pre-coronation scheduled functions (parades, photo opportunities, radio programs, etc.). Candidates must be present during the scheduled functions, with the exception of Court Manager authorized absences. Transportation to and from a scheduled event/function is the sole responsibility of each candidate.
3. Court Candidates will be informed by the Court Manager of appropriate attire for each Woodburn Fiesta Mexicana Court sponsored function. Assistance in locating appropriate attire may be provided to the Candidate by the Court Manager. All attire **MUST** be pre-approved prior to any event pertaining to Woodburn Fiesta Mexicana.
4. Use, purchase and/or handling of non-prescribed drugs, alcohol and/or tobacco products, substances and/or paraphernalia are strictly prohibited at all times.
5. Court Candidates may not represent Woodburn Fiesta Mexicana Court at any other private/public function(s), media, social media, photography/video, promotional/marketing material, political party affiliation, campaigning, and/or dress-wear with/without crown and sash without permission from the Court Manager.
6. Court Candidates must be cordial and friendly to the public at all times during functions sponsored by the Woodburn Fiesta Mexicana Court Committee.
7. Any use of abusive, explicit, offensive material (written or expressed) and/or any related connotation associated to the Fiesta Court Program, co-candidate(s)/participant(s), committees, sponsors, community involvement shall result in immediate dismissal from the program. If a candidate is dismissed from the program, all sponsorship materials shall be returned immediately.
8. If the Fiesta Queen is unable to meet the Court guidelines or otherwise fulfill her obligations during her term of service, that role will be filled by the First Princess. Fulfillment of obligations and guidelines shall be determined by the Court Manager.
9. Court Candidates should immediately communicate any problems and direct all questions to the Court Manager.
10. Individuals living in the same household may not participate in the Fiesta Court program in the same year.
11. The Court Manager has discretion to dismiss candidates who have engaged in inappropriate behavior, language, actions, social media interaction/content, lack of commitment, dangerous behavior, or any other conduct detrimental to the Program.

I have read and understand the above guidelines and agree to abide by them. I understand that violating any of the above guidelines is grounds for dismissal from the Woodburn Fiesta Mexicana Court.

Court Applicant Printed Name: _____

Court Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

If the above applicant is a minor (17 YEARS OR YOUNGER), as the parent/guardian, I agree to the above statement in its entirety. I further give my permission for this applicant to be considered as a candidate for the Woodburn Fiesta Mexicana Court Program.

I am the parent/ guardian of _____ and authorize my permission for her to participate in all Fiesta Court related activities.

Parent/guardian
Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____