



# Florida Little Britches Royalty Information 2021 - 2022

Dear Contestant,

Thank you for considering competing in the 2021 - 2022 Florida Little Britches Royalty Contest. The FLBRA Royalty pageant will be held annually to select three young ladies (one in each age group; Senior, Junior and Little Wrangler) who will represent the Florida Little Britches Rodeo Association throughout the year.

## **Responsibilities:**

The FLBRA Royalty Pageant Committee is responsible for the ceremonies and activities necessary to select the titleholders. The committee offers direction, support, and assistance to selected royalty during their reign. Contestants shall agree to abide by all the rules and regulations set forth by the FLBRA and the FLBRA Royalty Committee. Breaking any eligibility rules and or regulations will disqualify a contestant from the competition and cause forfeit of any prizes and or titles. Selected FLBRA Royalty are responsible to carry the title proudly; fulfilling duties assigned by the FLBRA and the FLBRA Royalty Committee to the best of her ability. The FLBRA and FLBRA Royalty Committee reserves the right to exercise its governing power where questions may arise throughout the year. **It is especially important to keep a positive attitude and work to embrace others in the sport of rodeo. The Royalty Court is looked up to by other contestants and therefore you are expected to be a positive role model and set a good example.**

If you are not able to fulfill your rein the next person obtaining the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest contestant score will serve in your place. If you are not able to be present at one of the rodeos it is **your responsibility** to inform the Association Management and the Royalty Coordinators at least 48 hours in advance.

This year's contest will take place on **Friday, August 27, 2021 at the Bob Holmes Arena, 1302 11<sup>th</sup> St, Live Oak, Florida. Contestants will check in no later than 12:00 pm, immediately followed by a contestant and parent meeting.** A detailed schedule will be provided at least 1 week prior to pageant. A meal will be provided for the contestants and judges. The 50/50 raffle will be drawn during the crowning ceremony. The winner does not need to be present. Crowning of the new Queen and Princesses will be done on Friday also. The newly crowned royalty is required to begin work immediately and carry flags in Saturday's Grand Entry.

We are looking forward to working with you all during this year's contest and selecting the 2021 - 2022 FLBRA Royalty Court. Please feel free to contact any of your Royalty Coordinators with any questions.

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## 2021 – 2022 FLBRA ROYALTY PAGEANT RULES and REGULATIONS

### Eligibility:

1. Contestants in the FLBRA Royalty Pageant must be a member of the National and the local franchise (FLBRA) and remain in good standing for the current season.
2. Contestants in the FLBRA Royalty Pageant must compete in **at least one rodeo event**.
3. Past and present FLBRA Royalty is not eligible to compete for the same title that they held in the previous year.
4. During their reign, the FLBRA Royalty title is the only royalty position that the contestant can hold. She will hold her title for the entire 2021 – 2022 season. If she chooses to seek another title after her season, we ask she comes back and crowns following seasons royalty.
5. A FLBRA titleholder who violates any of these rules during her reign will relinquish all rights and privileges of her title at the request of the Committee.

### Rules and Regulations:

1. Contestants must conduct themselves in a proper, **ladylike manner** and **portray high moral standards**.
2. Each contestant must supply the FLBRA Royalty Committee with an electronic photo saved as a JPG. Photos must be a head and shoulder pose (no action) in western attire. Western attire will include western blouse, suit or dress, hat, and accessories. Photos must not contain crowns or banners from previous contests. It is the responsibility of the contestant to arrange their photo session and to submit photos on time with their application. The photos will be used for publicity purposes and the Pageant Committee cannot guarantee their return and will not be responsible for the expense to replace them.
3. Each contestant must supply a biography to be used for publicity.
4. Each contestant is required to submit a **\$60 non refundable entry fee with her application**. Payment should be made payable to the Florida Little Britches Rodeo Association.
5. Contestants must be available for entire selection through the completion of the pageant.
6. Each contestant must FULLY complete and return the FLBRA Royalty Application along with any other requested documents, noted on each contestant's application. Incomplete applications will not be considered a valid entry.
7. Pageant judges may not be approached by a contestant or related individual with the intent to influence or harass. Action of this type can result in disqualification of the contestant at the discretion of the Committee.
8. All contestants must provide their own horses, tack, and handlers during the horsemanship portion of the pageant. The specific time will be determined later.
9. Contestants should be at all scheduled events at least **15 minutes** prior to the scheduled start time. Failure to do so may result in a deduction in the contestant score.
10. Contestants must provide their own transportation to and from each scheduled event.
11. Contestants must provide their own wardrobe and agree to follow the wardrobe guidelines and dress code.
12. Each contestant **must sell ten 50/50 raffle tickets at \$5.00 each** and turn in at check in. Tickets will be mailed upon receiving completed applications.
13. Each contestant is required to bring an auction item. All proceeds from the auction will go towards the royalty fund.
14. Each contestant is asked to bring a sister gift to exchange with competitor. (Value not to exceed \$25)
15. Contestants will draw for positions after everyone has checked in.

### Pageant Categories:

The categories for judging: **Horsemanship, Appearance, Personality, Speech, Modeling, Interview, and Impromptu Question**. The overall winner will be crowned FLBRA Royalty in her age division with the next highest scoring individual receiving First Runner-up. Other awards may also be given, including but not limited to Congeniality or Horsemanship.

**Horsemanship** The purpose of this category is to select the young lady who rates the highest in:

1. Horsemanship: including control of mount, proper arena etiquette, and the way each situation that may occur is handled.
2. Balance, ability and position of hands, feet, and seat when riding at a reasonable rate of speed for the activity.
3. Understanding of leads and proper execution of specific patterns.

4. Flag Presentation ride (Queens Run/Wave and carrying of flag). Flag boots should be used but will not be provided.
5. Showmanship: How the contestant projects her personality to the audience from horseback.
6. Required attire for horsemanship is in the wardrobe guideline.
7. Barrel Pattern: contestant will not be timed but is expected to perform the barrel pattern as she would in a regular rodeo performance.

Other considerations in **Horsemanship** include but are not limited to the following: The understanding and skill of the contestant will be judged, NOT the horse. **Contestants should ride with one hand on the reins.** Contestants can use different horses for flag presentation, the Horsemanship pattern, and the barrel pattern, **but must have them ready and have a handler waiting.** The order will be drawn and announced. Contestants may be asked to ride on the rail at a walk, trot, and lope in both directions as part of this contest. Other arena work may be requested at the discretion of the Committee and/or judges. Judges may talk to contestants, or ask Horsemanship questions in the arena, on stage during public appearances and/or during interviews.

**Appearance** The purpose of this category is to select the young lady who rates highest in:

1. Attractiveness
2. Grooming: This should include meticulous care in neatness and cleanliness in every detail such as complexion, hands, fingernails, hair, hat, boots, and other wearing apparel. Remember to wear age appropriate make-up.
3. Posture: This should include carrying oneself straight and tall with confidence and poise.
4. Poise and ladylike behavior in every situation: This should include handling every type of situation with grace, style, and proper etiquette. Good sportsmanship both in and outside of the arena always.
5. Western Fashion Sense: This includes western outfits, which are fashionable, tasteful, and properly fit for the contestant. Additional information is available in the wardrobe guideline. (Clothes need not be eccentric or expensive, but should be neat, clean, and appropriate).
6. Proper fit of clothing: This includes figure flattering styles altered for a personal fit, if necessary. Thoroughly cleaned, fitted, and shaped hats which flatter the contestant's face, will be considered. Judges will look for versatility and imagination in the contestant's ability to carry out a "total look", rather than an excessive amount of clothing.

**Personality** The purpose of this category is to select the young lady who rates highest in:

1. Intelligence and good common sense.
2. Conversational ability in varied situations with an emphasis on correct grammar and enunciation.
3. A good sense of humor.
4. Self-confidence, high-moral standards, sincerity, and integrity.
5. Genuine interest in people and consideration of others.
6. Self-projection (the ability to project one's personality in any situation), whether from horseback or on stage.
7. Positive outlook on life.
8. Promptness and cooperation. Please note that if a contestant fails to arrive on time for any pageant event she may be penalized. (It is a good idea to arrive at least 15 minutes early for each event.)
9. Maturity.
10. Educational background and goals as well as career goals.

**Speech** The purpose of this category is to select the young lady who rates highest in:

1. Ability to communicate with an audience using appropriate and correct language as well as good grammar.
2. Ability to be prepared and deliver speech without the use of props.
3. Self-projection on stage, including delivery, voice, manner, and use of microphone.
4. Ability to present age appropriate speech from memory.
5. Speech Topic – **Anything about the NLBRA (may include FLBRA also)**

Other considerations in Speech include: Speeches should be NO MORE than 2 1/2 minutes in length. **5 points from each judge will be deducted for speeches longer than three minutes. Deductions will also be given for speeches less than 2 minutes.** Speeches should be memorized. No props or visual aids, including note cards will be allowed.

**Modeling** The purpose of this category is to judge appearance, coordination, and ability to present one's self on stage.

**Interview** The purpose of this category will be to give the judges the opportunity to speak with contestants individually. This portion of the contest may be conducted in a separate meeting room. Impromptu question(s) will be asked during this time.

**WARDROBE GUIDELINES** There will ample time given for contestants to change before entering each category of competition, but no more than 30 minutes. Parents will be able to assist their children.

**HORSEMANSHIP** Any color of jeans and western shirt of their choice, shirts may be embellished, must have hat and western boots.

**SPEECH, MODELING** A formal outfit is required. Contestants may wear any western style dress or skirt combination. Must have hat and western boots. Be creative and show your style. Leather dress not required.

**INTERVIEW** Fashion forward outfit, can be either pants or a dress. Must have hat and western boots.

### **Royalty Scoring**

There will be three judges. The contestant with the highest score in each age division will be crowned the winner. The categories for judging are as follows:

**Horsemanship** - 50 points per judge for a total of 150 points.

**Flag Presentation** - 50 points per judge for a total of 150 points.

**Barrel Pattern** - 50 points per judge for a total of 150 points.

**Appearance** - 50 points per judge for a total of 75 points.

**Personality** - 25 points per judge for a total of 75 points.

**Speech** - 50 points per judge for a total of 150 points.

**Modeling** - 25 points per judge for a total of 75 points.

**Interview** - 100 points per judge for a total of 300 points

**Impromptu Question(s)** - 50 points per judge for a total of 150 points.

This allows for a total possible of 1275 points per contestant.

## 2021 – 2022 FLBRA Royalty Pageant Entry Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ NLBRA Back Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

I am competing for: QUEEN \_\_\_\_\_ PRINCESS \_\_\_\_\_ LW PRINCESS \_\_\_\_\_

My Little Britches History: \_\_\_\_\_

Community or School Involvement: \_\_\_\_\_

Greatest Accomplishments: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**\*\*Submit this completed form, contestant biography, contestant photo in jpeg, and payment by August 7, 2021. Late entries will not be accepted\*\*** Everything may be emailed to [floridalbra18@gmail.com](mailto:floridalbra18@gmail.com). Payments can be made via PayPal (friends & family) to [Floridalbra18@gmail.com](mailto:Floridalbra18@gmail.com). Be sure to include your membership fees also.

### Contestants, Parents, &/or Legal Guardian:

I have read, understand, and accept the rules and guidelines set forth for the Pageant. I understand and accept responsibilities if my child is awarded a Royalty position. I understand that I am responsible to help fund raise by selling raffle tickets. I realize that I will have to help in the alley way during the Grand Entry performance and assist with flag distribution. I will be sure to report to the Association Franchise office in a timely manner (at least 48 hours) prior to a rodeo if my child is unable to attend. I will comply and encourage my child to maintain a smile and positive attitude at all times.

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Required: Parent or Guardian Signature      Print Name      Date

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Required: Contestant Signature      Print Name      Date

## 2021 – 2022 FLBRA ROYALTY PAGEANT CONTRACT

By signing this contract, I certify that I meet all the eligibility requirements mentioned in the “Eligibility” section of the 2021 – 2022 FLBRA Royalty Pageant Rules and Regulations. I understand and accept the guidelines and regulations that are set forth by the committee as listed under the pageant rules. I understand that all required fees, paperwork, biographies, and photos must be turned in together by the deadline. Incomplete packets will not be accepted.

I understand that upon winning the title of FLBRA Royalty, I will be expected to perform duties on behalf of the FLBRA. These duties include but not limited to attending functions, rodeos, or other activities scheduled by the FLBRA.

### MANDATORY EVENTS FOR ROYALTY WILL INCLUDE:

- All association rodeos
- A minimum of one community event each quarter (1<sup>st</sup> quarter Aug – Oct; 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter Nov – Feb; 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Mar – June)

Suggested events that contestants may be able to attend:

- Local rodeo in your hometown
- Fundraising jackpots for the FLBRA
- Community project/cause

In addition to attending mandatory functions, I also agree to:

- Wear crown, sash, and buckle at all functions
- Be responsible for all my own expenses while serving in this position
- Be on time for all events and functions
- Have a prearranged chaperon at events, usually a parent or guardian
- Maintain contact with committee and association management, including but not limited to sending photos and details of appearances for social media and website, assisting with setup and cleanup of association rodeos
- Dress in western attire and represent the rodeo industry in a professional and courteous manner, always maintaining high moral character
- Be responsible for coordinating and participating in grand entry with other Royalty winners
- Be responsible for transportation of flags (Queen)
- Be responsible for transportation, displaying, and removing banners
- Be open and friendly to the public and willing to help promote the FLBRA and the sport of rodeo
- Maintain good sportsmanship while competing in rodeo events and strive to improve my horsemanship, appearance, and personality
- Refrain from any alcoholic beverages, tobacco use, and illegal drugs at any time during my term as FLBRA royalty
- Keep all social media appropriate and positive, even if it is not rodeo related

I understand I am responsible for all entry fees throughout the season. A monetary award (50% of entry fees paid) will be reimbursed at the FLBRA Finals if I have fulfilled all my duties. I understand that if I have failed in my duties or do not return royalty items that are to be passed down each year, deductions will be withheld from the monetary award.

## 2021 – 2022 FLBRA ROYALTY PAGEANT CONTRACT (page 2)

Must be signed and returned with entry form

I have read and understand the 2021 – 2022 FLBRA Royalty Rules and Regulations. I understand that ALL royalty application information must be submitted by August 7, 2021. Entries will not be accepted after that date and time.

If crowned, I understand that the Florida Little Britches title is the only royalty title that I may hold during my reign for the 2021 – 2022 season.

The contestant and parents / guardians understand that there are certain risks and dangers involved in competing in the FLBRA Royalty Pageant and hereby assumes all risks of injury sustained to her person, or damage or loss to her property during or resulting from her participation in this pageant.

Contestant and parents / guardians hereby releases the FLBRA, its members and affiliates from any and all claims, demands, actions, and causes of action of any sort pertaining to any injury to her person, or damage or loss to her property during or resulting from her participation in this pageant.

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Royalty Pageant Contestant

Date

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Contestant's Parent / Guardian

Date

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FLBRA Management

Date