

THE 2026 DEFUNIAK SPRINGS & WALTON COUNTY PAGEANTS



A Queen's Adventure: Diamonds in the Rough

The Walton High School Anchor Club & Drama Club present the 2026 Walton County & DeFuniak Springs Pageants in a special double pageant event at the Walton High School Auditorium in DeFuniak Springs, Florida on February 28, 2026. This pageant is an official preliminary to the National Peanut Festival Pageants.

AFTERNOON PAGEANT INFORMATION

Junior Miss Walton County—Ages 10, 11, & 12

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in Walton County.*

Junior Miss DeFuniak Springs—Ages 10, 11, & 12

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in DeFuniak Springs.*

Junior Miss Contestants will compete in Stage Presence & Final Question competitions. For Stage Presence, wear an age appropriate long pageant dress.

Young Miss Walton County—Ages 7, 8, & 9

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in Walton County.*

Young Miss DeFuniak Springs—Ages 7, 8, & 9

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in DeFuniak Springs.*

Young Miss Contestants will compete in Stage Presence & Final Question competitions. For Stage Presence, wear an age appropriate short or long pageant dress.

Future Little Miss Walton County—Pre-K & Kindergarten

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in Walton County.*

Future Little Miss DeFuniak Springs—Pre-K & Kindergarten

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in DeFuniak Springs.*

Future Little Miss contestants will compete in Stage Presence. For Stage Presence, wear an age appropriate short or long pageant dress.

Double Pageant

Available

To Those Who

Qualify

EVENING PAGEANT INFORMATION

Miss Walton County—Ages 16-19 by October 14, 2026

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in Walton County.*

Miss DeFuniak Springs—Ages 16-19 by October 14, 2026

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in DeFuniak Springs.*

Miss contestants will compete in Interview, Written Communication, Verbal Communication, Stage Presence, and Final Question competitions.

NOTE: *Teen Miss contestants who meet the Miss NPF age requirement may choose to move up to the Miss category or stay down in the Teen Miss category. Make sure to mark the correct age group on the registration form. No changes after registration!*

Teen Miss Walton County—Ages 13, 14, 15, & 16

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in Walton County.*

Teen Miss DeFuniak Springs—Ages 13, 14, 15, & 16

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in DeFuniak Springs.*

Teen Miss contestants will compete in Interview, Stage Presence, and Final Question competitions. Stage Presence requires an appropriate evening gown.

Miss & Teen Miss Clothing Requirements

Interview-Black Dress Pants & Blouse of Choice

Stage Presence-Appropriate Evening Gown

Verbal Communication (Miss only)-Opening Number Outfit

Opening Number-Hot Pink Blouse (**Miss only**), Royal Blue Blouse (**Teen Miss only**), Black Dress Pants, Black Heels, Rhinestone Earrings.

Little Miss Walton County—All First Time First Graders

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in Walton County.*

Little Miss DeFuniak Springs—All First Time First Graders

Contestants must be *a resident of or attend school in DeFuniak Springs.*

Little Miss contestants will compete in Interview, Stage Presence, and Final Question competitions. For interview, wear a Sunday dress. Stage Presence requires an appropriate short or long pageant dress. **No Heirlooms. No make up allowed.**

NOTE: A minimum of 3 qualified contestants must participate in each of the National Peanut Festival preliminaries in order to advance to the NPF pageants. Miss & Little Miss winners will be required to compete in the NPF pageants.

ENTRY FEES

- ♦ Early Bird Special \$55.00 Double Pageant Package
Due January 30 both pageants & 1 free photogenic
\$45.00 Individual Pageant
one pageant & 1 free photogenic
- ♦ \$60.00 Double Pageant Package
(includes both pageants)
- ♦ \$50.00 Entry Fee For Individual Pageant For All Ages
- ♦ \$15.00 Optional Photogenic (1 Photo)
- ♦ \$25.00 Optional Photogenic (2 Photos)
- ♦ \$30.00 Whole Contestant Good Luck Page
- ♦ \$20.00 Half Contestant Good Luck Page

All entry fees and registration form are due by **February 6**.
Please make all checks or money orders
payable to **Walton High School**.

Entry fees can be mailed to:
Krislynn McLaney
c/o Walton High School
449 Walton Road
DeFuniak Springs, Florida 32433

HOW TO CONTACT PAGEANT STAFF

Website: whspageants.weebly.com
(no www's in front of web address)

Check us out on Facebook.

Just search for Miss Walton County and Miss DeFuniak
Springs Pageants and like our pages to receive updates.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

All rehearsals will be held at the
Walton High School Auditorium in DeFuniak Springs, Florida.

Friday, January 30

Early Bird Deadline-Entry Fee, Registration Form, and
Good Luck Page Designs Due

Friday, February 6

Entry Fee, Registration Form, and
Good Luck Page Designs Due

Sunday, February 22

Future Little Miss Orientation, Photo Shoot, & Practice
1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.
Young Miss & Junior Miss Orientation, Photo Shoot, & Practice
2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
Miss, Teen Miss & Little Miss Orientation, Photo Shoot
3:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
Little Miss Practice
3:45 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
Miss Written Communication
4:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
Miss & Teen Miss Practice
4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 24

Future Little Miss Rehearsal
5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Young Miss Rehearsal
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Junior Miss Rehearsal
7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 25

Little Miss Rehearsal
5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Miss & Teen Miss Production Rehearsal
6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 26

Little Miss Rehearsal
5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Miss & Teen Miss Production Rehearsal
6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 28

Afternoon Session

Future Little, Young Miss, and Junior Miss Arrival Time
12:00 p.m.
Pageant Begins at 1:00 p.m.

Evening Session

Miss, Teen Miss, & Little Miss
Arrival Time—Scheduled Interview Time.
Miss & Teen Miss Production Rehearsal-After Interviews
Pageant Begins at 7:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Pageant Forms

The registration brochure needed to enter the pageant can be downloaded from the following website:

<http://whspageants.weebly.com>

Miss, Teen Miss, and Little Miss biography forms can be found here as well. One copy of the biography form must be provided. These forms are due on Thursday, February 26, at rehearsal.

Optional Photogenic Competition

Contestants may enter the optional photogenic competition. For photogenic enter, 1 photograph for \$15.00 or 2 photographs for \$25.00. Photos must be an 8 x 10 and must be in a protective covering. All photogenic pictures are due on the following dates:

Miss, Teen, and Little Miss on **February 26**

Future Little, Young, and Junior Miss on **February 24**

Photos will be returned at the end of the pageant. Pick them up outside the dressing rooms.

Photographs for Program Book

All contestants ***MUST ATTEND*** their orientation at their age groups' scheduled time. A parent or guardian must accompany ALL contestants to orientation. All pictures for the program book will be taken at each age group's orientation. **Please wear a Sunday dress and have hair & make up done to be ready for your picture.**

No other photographs will be used.

Pageant Competitions

Personal Interview (Miss, Little, & Teen Miss only)-Contestants will speak with the judges individually.

Written Communication (Miss only)-A timed extemporaneous essay.

Stage Presence (Miss, Little, Teen, Junior, Young, and Future Little Miss)-A pageant dress is required. Contestants will be judged on poise & personality. Also, contestants will answer a question based on the information from their bio sheet.

Verbal Communication (Miss only)-Contestants will answer a question provided by the judges and drawn from a fish bowl. This will be done in opening number attire.

Final Question (Miss, Teen, Little, Junior, and Young)-A question selected by the judges and asked to each contestant in the age group.



PRIZES

All Winners

Crown, Banner, & Trophy

All Runners-Up, Photogenic Winners, & Viewer's Choice Winners

All Receive A Trophy

DOUBLE PAGEANT INFORMATION

1. All contestants who attend school in or have a DeFuniak Springs address qualify for the double pageant for the following categories: Miss, Teen Miss, Little Miss, Junior Miss, Young Miss, and Future Little Miss.
2. Contestants may still choose to enter only one of the pageants. The double pageant package is optional.
3. Contestants cannot win the title for both categories. The DeFuniak Springs titles are awarded first.
4. There will be only one Photogenic & Viewer's Choice Award given for each age group.

CONTESTANT GOOD LUCK PAGES

Parents, friends, and family can buy a good luck page for their favorite contestant. The Whole Good Luck Page costs \$30.00, and the Half Good Luck Page costs \$20.00. These pages can feature personalized messages from friends and family. To purchase, just fill out the good luck page form and send in the money with your registration form. Your design must be sent electronically in jpeg format to madison.huff@walton.k12.fl.us by the pageant deadline of February 6.





Registration Form

Fill Out This Form As Completely As Possible. Return with Entry Fees.

Name: _____

Parents: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Birth Date: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Category: Please Circle One. Make Sure to Check Age Requirements.

FUTURE LITTLE

PreK & Kindergarten

YOUNG

7, 8, & 9

JUNIOR

10, 11, & 12

LITTLE

All First Time
First Graders

TEEN

13, 14, 15, & 16*

MISS

16, 17, 18, & 19 by October 14, 2026*

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_____ \$55.00 *Double Pageant Early Bird Special (Due January 30)*
_____ \$45.00 *Walton County Early Bird Special (Due January 30)*
_____ \$45.00 *DeFuniak Springs Early Bird Special (Due January 30)*
_____ \$60.00 Double Pageant Package
_____ \$50.00 Entry Fee for only Walton County
_____ \$50.00 Entry Fee for only DeFuniak Springs
_____ \$30.00 Whole Contestant Good Luck Page
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_____ \$25.00 Optional Photogenic (2 Photos)
_____ Total Due



Extracurricular Activities: _____

Future Plans: _____

Honors & Awards: _____

Hobbies or Interests: _____

Community Service: _____

Favorite Animal _____

Favorite Book _____

Favorite Food _____

Favorite Movie _____

Favorite Subject _____

Favorite Color _____

Sponsor(s): _____

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GOOD LUCK PAGE

We are selling contestant Good Luck Pages that will be featured in the book. By purchasing a Good Luck Page, parents, friends, and family can send personalized good luck wishes that the contestants can cherish even after the pageant is over. A whole good luck page costs only \$30.00. You can also purchase a half page for \$20.00. If you would like to purchase a good luck page, you need to complete the form and send your designed page to the correct address. Return this form and money with your registration.

All designed pages are due by **February 6** in a JPEG format to Madison Huff at madison.huff@walton.k12.fl.us ..

If you would like more information, feel free to call Madison Huff at 850-892-1270 ext. 4454.

Check the Size You Want _____ Whole Page _____ Half Page

Name of Contact _____ Name of Contestant _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone Number _____

NOTE: The program book will be printed in black and white.

If good luck pages are not sent, they cannot appear in the program book.

DUE DATE FOR GOOD LUCK PAGES IS FEBRUARY 6!

Parent Signature

Date