

# Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen Pageant

## HOLD HARMLESS/CONTRACT AGREEMENT

As a Contestant in Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen, I agree to the following terms:

1. I attest that I am a citizen of the United States State of Alabama, am not married, have never been married, am not pregnant, have never been pregnant, am not now and have never been involved in any act of moral turpitude in which criminal charges are pending.

I verify that I reside at the following address:

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2. I verify with my birth certificate that I meet the age requirements of the Miss America's Outstanding Teen organization. I have turned 13 years of age before November 7, 2010, and I will not turn 18 years of age before March 1, 2011. I attest that I have not entered my senior year of high school. I am \_\_\_\_\_ years of age, my birthday is \_\_\_\_\_, and I am in the \_\_\_\_\_ grade at \_\_\_\_\_ (name of school).
3. I agree to send a \$75 Non-Refundable Entrance Fee to Miss Birmingham as part of the eligibility requirements to be a contestant in Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen.

The following items of this contract have been read and understood by (name of contestant) \_\_\_\_\_ and her parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_.

If named Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen 2011, I agree to the following terms:

1. The official name of the pageant is *Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen*. This is a preliminary pageant of *Miss America/Miss Alabama's Outstanding Teen* pageant. We understand that the names *Miss Teen Birmingham, Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen, Miss Alabama's Outstanding Teen, and Miss America's Outstanding Teen* are not to be used for profit in any way. No commercial endorsement using these names is allowed.
2. The crown presented to the winner of the pageant is to be maintained in excellent condition. The application of hairspray should be done prior to placing the crown on the head. If the crown is lost, stolen, or damaged, it will be replaced at the cost of the winner.
3. There are several appearances the winner is expected to make in the Birmingham area during her year of service. These appearances include:
  - Annual Miss Birmingham Fundraiser
  - Annual Miss Birmingham CMN Fundraiser
  - Annual Christmas Card Drive for Children's Hospital of Birmingham
  - Birmingham Christmas Parade
  - Helena Christmas Parade
  - Miss Alabama's Outstanding Teen Pageant 2011 Orientation in Sylacauga
  - Miss Alabama's Outstanding Teen Pageant 2011 Competition in Sylacauga
  - Best Wishes Reception prior to Miss Alabama's Outstanding Teen 2011
  - Best Wishes Reception for Miss Birmingham prior to Miss Alabama 2011
  - Miss Birmingham & Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen 2012 Pageant
4. The contestant's involvement in other organizations should be brought to the immediate attention of the director, by presenting the director with a full list of activities and dates for functions related to those activities.

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5. The winner should check immediately with school sponsors of extra-curricular activities to ensure there will be no conflict with the Christmas parade dates.
6. Outside coaching is prohibited without the express permission of the director. If the winner of the pageant is receiving outside coaching, this should be disclosed immediately after the contestant wins the pageant.
7. The winner of the pageant may not compete for and/or hold another title while holding the title Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen. (Please contact the director with any questions regarding this rule.)
8. If the winner of the pageant should not uphold and maintain the dignity of the pageant, provides false or misleading documents, engages in prohibited acts, suffers a disability, which in the sole and exclusive judgment of the director(s) may impair her ability to complete the year of service, she will forfeit any and all rights to the title and the successor will receive these benefits. This includes competing in the state pageant, scholarship money, prizes, gifts, and any other benefits to which the winner is entitled.
9. Body piercing and/or tattoos are **STRICTLY** prohibited. (Body piercing includes: lips, tongue, eye brows, more than 2 ear pierced holes in each ear, and other inappropriate areas of piercing).
10. The wardrobe needed to compete on the state level is the responsibility of the parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s). This includes all related clothing, photographs, and other necessities required. All wardrobe items must be approved by the Miss Birmingham Executive Director *prior* to purchase.
11. The necessary items related to the state competition wardrobe will be assembled by January 31, 2011 for final approval by the Miss Birmingham Executive Director. This approval is the final decision and no changes to the wardrobe may be made following that date.
12. Clothing selected for the state competition must be in good taste, age appropriate, and not revealing, distasteful, or inappropriate.
13. The winner of the pageant is *Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen* at all times. She is to be appropriately dressed when on appearances with hair, nails, make-up and properly groomed. The director(s) may require certain clothing for appearances and blue jeans are never appropriate for an appearance (unless specified).
14. Wearing the crown in public without the permission of the director is prohibited.
15. The winner of the pageant will maintain knowledge of current events and stay abreast of state and national current and social events in preparation for the state pageant.
16. The winner will maintain a good physical appearance and agrees not to lose or gain an excessive amount of weight unless directed by a physician.
17. Talent practice and preparation is necessary to properly prepare for the state pageant. Talent presentations may be expected at some appearances. The winner will properly rehearse and prepare for any presentation of her talent during her year of service as Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen.
18. Community service projects will be agreed upon and worked on within the community. This will be done with the guidance and direction of the pageant staff.
19. Will provide the Miss Birmingham Executive Director and Board with one color and one black and white copy in both paper and electronic format of a professionally photographed headshot wearing her crown **within 30 days of being chosen Miss Birmingham's Outstanding Teen**. No publicity/press releases/autograph pads, etc. can be generated without this photo.
20. The style and/or color of the contestant's hair will not drastically change without discussion with the pageant director.
21. The contestant will remain alcohol, drug, and tobacco free during her year of service.
22. Any use of profanity is prohibited. The use of profanity includes the use of profanity on MySpace, Facebook and Twitter or other social networking accounts. Any profanity should be immediately removed from these accounts prior to the pageant.
23. If the winner of the pageant has a MySpace or Facebook account, she and her parents understand that the account will be monitored for content by the director(s). This includes accepting the director as a "friend" on both of these accounts. Use of inappropriate photos in conjunction with the pageant title is prohibited. Remember, this is a public forum and your reputation can be determined by this content.
24. Any concerns should be brought to the immediate attention of the pageant director(s)/staff.
25. The Miss Birmingham Executive Director and Board will consult with the contestant and approve the contestant's talent selection for the state competition.
26. The contestant will maintain good eating habits and a healthy lifestyle.
27. The contestant will meet with the Executive Director and Board on a monthly basis.

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28. The Miss Birmingham Executive Director and Board must approve any appearance request.
29. The parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) may accompany the winner to any official appearance. A member of the Miss Birmingham Executive Director and Board will also attend official appearances. This is for the safety of the contestant.
30. Critiquing of the contestant is meant to enhance the performance of the contestant and never meant to be negative, hurtful, or demeaning.
31. The winner will be a gracious attendee at events and will not look bored, distracted, or tired.
32. The winner will always be on time for appearances.
33. The winner, her name, biography information, and photograph will be present on the Miss Birmingham web site on the Internet. This website is accessible through the Miss Alabama website. Duplication of information from the website is prohibited without express written permission of the director.
34. The photograph of the winner will be duplicated onto autograph pads that will be used during appearances and special events.
35. We agree to hold harmless the Miss Birmingham Executive Director and Board and other pageant officials for any personal injury, theft, damage, and loss of property during the designated time of appearances, meetings, workshops, rehearsals, and competitions.
36. The birth certificate enclosed with the application is proof of eligibility.
37. We understand that any regression from the rules set forth in this contract and the state contract I have already signed can result in the title and the right to compete in Miss Alabama's Outstanding Teen being forfeited.
38. We agree that it is by choice that \_\_\_\_\_ (contestant) competes in the pageant.

**SIGNATURE PAGE DIRECTLY FOLLOWS**

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### SIGNATURE PAGE

The contestant and her parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) understand the terms and conditions of this contract and hold harmless agreement and are signing this document without duress and are entering this contract and agreement freely and without reservation.

Contestant Legal Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I agree not to hold the Miss Birmingham Pageant Staff/Committee, Mountain Brook High School, The City of Mountain Brook Board of Education, The Miss Alabama Pageant, or Miss America Pageant, pageant director/staff, or anyone affiliated with the pageant responsible for any personal injury, loss of items, or damage while attending the pageant.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian Date \_\_\_\_\_

Notarize document here. The notary must include the raised seal.

My commission expires:

Sworn to me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary

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CONTESTANT INFORMATION SHEET

All Fields Required – Please Type or Write Clearly

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS' NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS' E-MAIL ADDRESS\*: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please list an e-mail address that is checked frequently

PARENTS' HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please list a cell phone number where you may be reached pageant day

PARENTS' HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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NAME OF SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_ CURRENT GPA: \_\_\_\_\_