

NAM State Pageant Action Plan

IMPORTANT: IT IS OUR COLLECTIVE DESIRE TO PROVIDE A SAFE, FUN AND REWARDING EVENT FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. PLEASE READ ALL THE ACTION POINTS BELOW.

INTRODUCTION

Families are each making their own decisions on how to protect themselves. It is most important that we respect each other's choices. Before engaging with another family, or allowing kids to get together, please have a brief conversation about what is an acceptable distance. The fact remains; we don't know each other's story. What you may feel is safe, may not be in the eyes of someone else. Listed below are the steps that NAM is taking. You are encouraged and welcomed to take whatever additional steps you desire to feel safe. We are all truly in this together.

GENERAL POLICIES

Facemask

Staff: NAM staff will be required to wear a facemask when working closer than 6' from a contestant. Examples: A staff member will not be required to wear a mask when on stage speaking to an audience because the chairs are farther than 6' away.

Contestants & Families: The host hotel has informed us that they are now requiring masks in the public areas. This applies to everyone on property that is over the age of 2, unless you have a medical condition that prevents you from wearing a mask. Contestants will not be required to wear a mask when on stage or at interview. Masks must be snugly well-fitting and securely cover your mouth and nose. The plastic covers that rest on your chin do not qualify as a mask.

Sanitizing

There will sanitizing stations around the hotel to use at your convenience.

The hotel staff will regularly be sanitizing door handles, restrooms, common surfaces, etc.

Lines & Queues

For any event where a queue is formed, we will have signs placed on the floor 6' apart so people know where to stand in order to maintain social distancing.

Ballroom Seating & Social Distancing

We are laying out the ballroom seating so that there is 6' between each row. Families will be required to keep 6' between themselves and the next family.

Water Stations

The hotel will not be placing water stations around the hotel. You are encouraged to bring a water bottle that you can refill and carry around with you.

Dressing Room

If you need to use the dressing room throughout the weekend, only the contestant and one female chaperone will be allowed. Please allow 6' of distance. No hot tools (curling irons, straighteners, etc) will be allowed in the dressing room due to safety reasons.

Escorts for Formal Wear- IMPORTANT, PLEASE READ

You have to bring your own escort. In the past we invited dads to volunteer to escort contestants who didn't have one. This year each contestant will be required to have her own escort. This can be her mom, sister, aunt, dad, brother, grandfather, grandmother. Anyone can be her escort, male or female, as long as they are a member of her family. To avoid person to person contact between families, we will not be able to provide volunteer escorts. Roses may still be presented onstage. For more details refer to the Formal Wear Competition event specific details.

Community Involvement: Books & School Supplies Donations-IMPORTANT, PLEASE READ

All donations should be made to your local schools, libraries or charities in your area. Take a picture of you with the items you are planning on donating. Bring a copy of the photo with the completed Community Involvement form to pageant check-in where you will be credited with 10% of your score.

DO NOT BRING ANY DONATIONS TO PAGEANT CHECK-IN.

EVENT SPECIFIC DETAILS

*In order to comply with current social distancing guidelines there will be NO Get Acquainted Party.

Pageant Check-in: Only the contestant and one parent/guardian are permitted in check-in.

Some of the safety precautions being taken at Pageant Check-in include: Temperature checks, social distancing signs on the floor, staff will be seated behind a plastic partition similar to those in banks and hand sanitizers will be available at all stations.

Remember all check-in forms must be typed and printed in color before you come to pageant check-in. Printers will NOT be available at check-in. Scissors will NOT be available so please have all cards cut before you come.

Any and all forms submitted at check-in will NOT be returned, this includes photogenic entries.

There will be a line on the floor at each station, to maintain social distancing. Please stay behind the line. Make sure to visit each station.

STATION 1

Turn in your Community Involvement Form and picture of you with the items.

Community Involvement: Instead of bringing a book or school supply to the pageant you will take a picture of you and the items you will be donating and turn in a copy of that picture along with your Community Involvement form to pageant check-in to earn 10% of your score. **Please do not bring your donations to the pageant.**

STATION 2

Waldo Photo will be taking a photo of you with a name card.

Get information about Waldo Photos

STATION 3

Purchase tickets for the Final Show. **Only 6 tickets per contestant for the final show are allowed. A ticket is required for anyone over the age of 3.** Tickets are \$25 and MUST be purchased at pageant check-in. At this time NAM will not be selling tickets after check-in and tickets are non-refundable. Remember everyone, except for the contestant, needs a ticket to attend the final show. Escorts are not used during the final show, so if your escort chooses to attend the final show, they will need a ticket. **Only 6 tickets per contestant for the final show are allowed.** Due to this modification on the limitation of number of guests, we will not be giving out the "FAN CLUB" award. Once we have a final count on tickets sold at Pageant Check-In and discuss with the hotel to ensure we comply with social distance seating there might be a possibility that more tickets can be sold but it is NOT A GUARANTEE.

Add or remove any Optional contests. Settle any balance on your account.

If you are paying with a credit/debit card, the card machine will be sanitized throughout check-in.

STATION 4

Turn in your emcee card and go over the pronunciation with the emcee. Turn in your Resume

You will receive your Contestant Number badge and finalized schedule.

STATION 5

Turn in the remainder of your Required and Optional Forms. Remember no forms will be returned.

STATION 6

Turn in your Photogenic Pictures if you are doing the Photogenic Competition. Remember no Photogenic pictures will be returned.

STATION 7

If you entered Top Model, get your photo shoot appointment at this station.

STATION 8

Get information about how to purchase your State Pageant Video.

STATION 9

Pick up your Production Number outfit (t-shirt and socks) and yearbook.

Orientation

In order for everyone to have a chair in the ballroom, while observing social distancing, **only one parent/guardian is permitted with the contestant to orientation.**

Workshop

Princess, Jr. Pre-Teen and Pre-Teen contestant MUST have one parent/guardian in attendance with her. Jr. Teen and Teen contestants are welcomed to have one parent/guardian come with OR you can attend by yourself.

Formal Wear & Personal Intro Rehearsal

Only the contestant and her escort are permitted to attend the rehearsal. This is also when we will be taking your Group Photo Picture so come dressed in your Production Number Outfit for this Rehearsal.

Dance Number Rehearsal

Only the contestant will be permitted in the Dance Number Rehearsal.

Formal Wear Competition

You will line up with your Escort; remember you need to bring your own escort. Roses will be available for purchase to present to your contestant on stage. In an effort to ensure the health and safety of everyone in attendance, only flowers purchased at the NAM boutique will be permitted in the ballroom. Roses will be sold first come, first served beginning at 4pm on Saturday at the NAM boutique. The cost is \$20, CASH ONLY.

Personal Introduction Competition

Contestants will not hold or touch the microphone. They will walk up to the microphone on a stand and give their Personal Introduction. A Queen or staff member will be on stage to adjust the microphone as needed and sanitize the microphone between each girl.

Interview Competition

Contestants will proceed to the first table and wait to be asked to sit down. Each judge will be seated behind a plastic partition. **DO NOT SHAKE HANDS** with the judges. This is not the normal procedure but these are not normal times. For now health and safety is our primary concern. The State Finalist award will be given out once the contestant leaves the Interview Room.

Top Model

Contestants will wait in chairs outside the Top Model room for their scheduled time. The chairs will be spaced 6' apart.

Final Rehearsal

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Final Show

Only 6 tickets per contestant for the final show are allowed. A ticket is required for anyone over the age of 3. Tickets are \$25 each and **MUST** be purchased at pageant check-in.

Production Number dance: The dance will be designed so that the number of contestants on stage will allow for social distancing. Contestants will come on stage in small groups, perform their dance and then go off stage. Once that group is off stage the next small group will go on to do their dance number.

During the awards ceremony, rather than having all the girls on stage at once, they will be in social distanced seats and they will come on stage one by one when their name is called for an award.

There will be a prop trophy on stage to use for the awards ceremony as each contestant gets her photo taken. Any awards that you have won will be handed out after the pageant finale at the designated Trophy Pick-Up Area. **One contestant/parent/guardian should come to designated Trophy Pick-Up Area AFTER the final show is over to pick up your trophies. The trophies will NOT be mailed so be sure to pick up them up right after the final show. Trophies will not be available for pick up until the final show is over and the new Queen is crowned.**

*National American Miss reserves the right to make any necessary changes to this Action Plan at any time *