

DC Metro's Our Little Miss Regional



April 24, 2022

**Stacy C. Sherwood
Community Center
3740 Old Lee Hwy
Fairfax, VA**

DC Metropolitan Area Regional Our Little Miss Scholarship Pageant

Dear DC Metro Participants & Families,
Thank you for your interest in our Regional Scholarship Organization Pageant! We are so excited to work with you and sincerely hope to make this an enjoyable experience for you. This packet is designed to provide all of the information and forms necessary to compete in the Our Little Miss Scholarship pageant system.



Our DC Metro Regional competition will be held on April 24th, 2022 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center in Fairfax, VA. We are thrilled to announce that the Our Little Miss World competition will be held in Washington, D.C. in July. For your convenience, a copy of the tentative schedule for our Regional Pageant in April is included in this handbook.

We make every effort possible to ensure everything is organized and runs smoothly. Please make sure all paperwork is submitted by the deadline. Additionally, please email us a contestant photograph for the judge's book and program book.

We know paperwork can be overwhelming, so the last sheet of the contestant packet is a checklist to help you manage all of the forms. Please DO NOT hesitate to contact us if you need any help with the paperwork.

We are very excited to have the opportunity to work with you. Following this letter you will find all of the information and paperwork necessary for the pageant. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at:

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Wishing you all the best,
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DC Metropolitan Area Regional Director
Our Little Miss Scholarship Pageant



Welcome to DC Metro's Our Little Miss

Welcome to the Our Little Miss family! We are excited to have you join us for our 2022 State Official Scholarship Competition! Our Little Miss has been around for over 60 years and is still going strong! Get ready to have a great time, have tons of fun and make memories that will last a lifetime!
This serves as your handbook for the state pageant.

Age Divisions

0—2 years Baby Petite, 3—6 years Miss LaPetite, 7—9 years Our Little Miss
10—12 years OLM Preteen, 13—15 years Ideal Miss, 16—20 years Universal Girl,
21—28 years Universal Miss, and 29+ years Universal Classic Miss

Required Competitions

All age divisions must compete in

Interview, Sportswear, and Party Dress/Evening Gown, Talent required for ages 7-20 only
(time limit on talent is 2:00 minutes or less and must be emailed to dcmetro.olm@gmail.com by **April 15, 2022**)
CLOTHING GUIDELINES CAN BE FOUND ON A LATER PAGE IN THIS HANDBOOK

Optionals Offered

We offer the following optionals at our DC Metro competition:

Miss Photogenic, Optional Talent, Best Headshot, Prettiest/Best Awards,
USA/Patriotic Wear, Occupational Wear, Glamo-Camo Wear, Character Costume, Cultural Wear
DESCRIPTIONS OF ALL THE OPTIONALS CAN BE FOUND ON A LATER PAGE IN THIS HANDBOOK

Award Information

The following awards will be given in each division:

Overall Divisional Queen, Princess (Successor), Personality Plus/Talent, and Mini Queen,
followed by Alternates .

Overall Divisional Winner's Package:

Official Our Little Miss Rhinestone Crown, Monogrammed Satin-Lined Banner, Official Scepter,
Robe (use for 1 year), Community Appearances, Bouquet of Flowers, Cash Scholarship,
and much more throughout the year!

****Scholarship given if reign is fulfilled and winner MUST compete in the World Competition!****

Clothing Guidelines and Suggestions

**FIRST REMEMBER THAT WE ARE A NATURAL PAGEANT SYSTEM!
ALL HAIR AND MAKE-UP MUST BE AGE APPROPRIATE!**

Event	What is it?	What do I wear?
Interview (Close-Up Appraisal) 	<p>This is a time for the judges to see contestants up close and get to know them better! Chaperones for 0-2 contestants will introduce their contestant with their name, age (in months) and hometown. They will then tell the judges 2 or 3 fun/interesting facts about their contestant. Contestants ages 3 and up will introduce themselves to the judges by stating their name, age, city, and state followed by a basic pivot. Contestants will then answer a set of age-appropriate questions.</p>	<p>Contestants can wear a DRESS/ PANTSUIT/ SKIRT AND TOP/JACKET</p> <p>Think interviewing for a job. For the younger girls, a nice Sunday/Easter/flower girl dress is what I would suggest. I would not do a pantsuit until you reach the 10-12 age division. There is nothing that says you can't wear what you want to. These are suggestions..</p>
Sports/Casual Wear (Personality) 	<p>All contestants will individually model their outfits on stage. Once each contestant has modeled on stage, the whole age group will come back on stage for a parade of beauty.</p>	<p>Contestants can wear whatever suits their Personality SHORTS/PANTS/SKIRTS/DRESSES</p> <p>Casual Wear can be anything you want it to be. This should be a fun, sporty outfit that can be worn to any function whether inside or outdoors, party to afternoon stroll, concert or Social Gathering, whatever mimics your child's personality. The only stipulation is there are none. It is suggested to keep things modest. OLM in the end is still a natural pageant system, so I suggest nothing over the top. It is also recommended to not do full on Rhinestones and sequins. It's not a rule, but that's not what OLM is looking for.</p>
Party Dress/ Evening Gown (Beauty Wear) 	<p>Party Dress / Evening Gown is our Beauty Wear competition. All contestants will individually model their beauty wear on stage. Once each contestant has modeled on stage, the whole age group will come back on stage for a parade of beauty.</p>	<p>Contestants should wear a BEAUTY DRESS!</p> <p>Party Dress/Evening Gowns can have any and all adornment including lace and sheer overlay of any color over any color fabric. Short dresses (0-9 age groups) and Long Gowns for (10 and up groups) We suggest no slits above the knee, 1" straps (0-12), spaghetti straps (13 and up), nothing below the shoulder blades (0-12), and nothing below the waist (13 and up). These are again suggestions and guidelines. It's up to you as to what you feel is modest enough for OLM. We do love sparkle, but no glitz dresses please.</p>

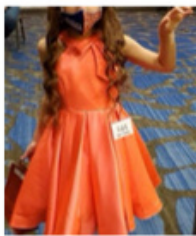
Additional Clothing Guidelines and Suggestions

Talent Costumes (Offical Season Only)	Talent Costumes will follow these guidelines. Midriffs must be covered, 1" straps ages 0-9 and or spaghetti straps for age divisions 13 and up. Talent Props can be used, but I suggest only using them if they are necessary for your routine. Example would be that you couldn't do your talent without the prop. Guidelines not followed will be at the discretion of the judges and will be up to them to determine the severity of the deduction.
Shoes	<p>Ages 0-6: Heels on shoes must not go over 1" when measured from inside heel down.</p> <p>Ages 7-9: Heels on shoes must not go over 1.5" when measured from inside heel down.</p> <p>Ages 10 and Up: Shoes should be age appropriate.</p>
Midriff	<p>All ages: Midriff should not show in any age division. The midriff should be covered at all times. We are a modest pageant system and want our girls to dress accordingly</p>

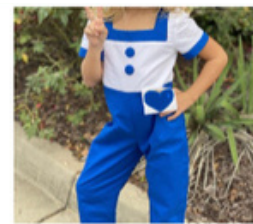
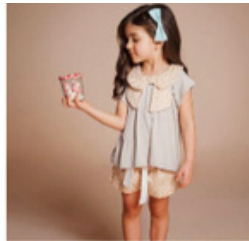
Clothing Examples -

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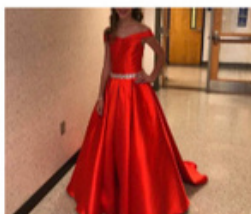
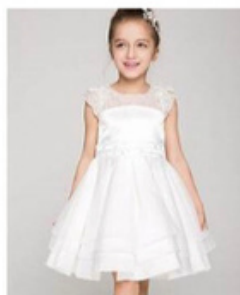
Interview Attire



Casual Wear

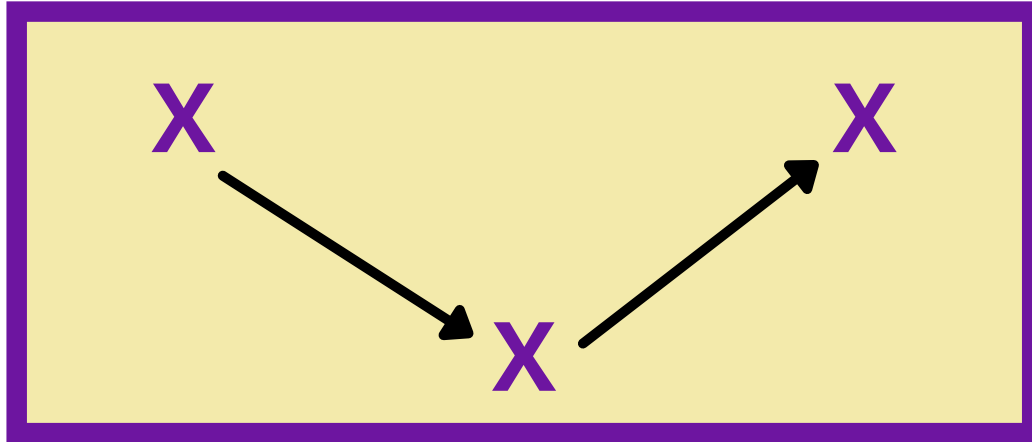


Pageant Dress



Modeling Formation

Enter



Exit

Sample Stage (Subject to Change)

0—2 Contestants:

Chaperones will model their contestants (see rule below). We recommend turning your baby around at the front X so the judges can see the back of their outfit/hair/etc. Your baby can walk or be carried! It's your choice! Show off your baby, but remember... NO COACHING YOUR BABY ONSTAGE! Audience members can cheer for every contestant, but NO COACHING from the audience either!

3 and up Contestants:

Smile big! Don't forget eye contact with the judges! Don't go too fast or too slow! We prefer a nice, natural model! Contestants are free (not required) to do a step-step-turn or circle turn at the front X. We are a natural system and want natural modeling! AVOID sassy walks, hands-on hips, kissy faces, etc.

Group Line Up

For Sportswear and Party Dress, each age division will model individually. After everyone has modeled in that age group, the entire age group will go back on stage for a group line up. We will most likely ask the group to turn around once to see back of outfits/hair/etc.

Grand Finals Information

For finals, we will do a parade of beauties for each group and then a final group lineup. During each group lineup for ages 3 and up we will ask an age-appropriate onstage question

Hands-On Regulation for 0—2

ALL contestants in the 0-2 age division have a HANDS ON RULE for every competition. For safety purposes, the contestant's chaperone must keep his/her hands on the contestant at ALL times during official competition.

So don't let go on stage! Don't let go in interview! This does not include the party or optional talent! Let them dance and have fun at the party. If they are competing in optional talent, the chaperone just needs to stand close to them.



Optional Competitions

Optional competitions are offered for extra practice and opportunities for optional category awards.

Optional competition results do NOT change the outcome of the official results.

All optionals are judged by a separate panel of judges.

The official judges do not know who enters or wins the optional categories.

Miss Photogenic

Do you have a beautiful photo? To enter Miss Photogenic, your photo must be emailed to dcmetro.olm@gmail.com by **April 15, 2022**. No late entries will be accepted.

Winner's will receive a full page in the program book along with a crown and banner.

Glitz photos are not accepted.

Judging is based on beauty, clarity, and personality of photo.

Optional Talent (Official Season Only)

Do you love to perform? Now is your chance! Pick your favorite one

or enter as many as you like! Come show off your talent!

Time must not exceed 2min 30sec for each performance. Awards will be given.

Commercial Print:

Best Head Shot— Should be a head/shoulder shot.

Use clear photos that show beauty and personality.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE TURNED IN AT REGISTRATION. DO NOT MAIL THESE ITEMS!

Prettiest Eyes, Hair, Smile, Dress, and Sportswear:

These are judged within each division and one winner per division/per category will be named. Judging is done during Party Dress/Sportswear Competitions.

Awards will be given.

Pro Am Modeling (Highly Recommended)

Do you love being on stage? If so, we want to see you in a variety of outfits! We offer multiple categories to enter! This is a great way to have some fun on stage!

Winners in each category in each division. Competition clothing rules, do not apply for Pro Am Modeling! Enter as many as you like, but enter **all 5 catagories** and you will be qualified for **Model of the Year and win a crown, banner, and \$100 in cash!**

Fun modeling is allowed, so strut your stuff!

Model outfits in any of the following categories:

USA/Patriotic Wear, Occupational Wear, Glamo-Camo Wear, Character Costume, Cultural Wear

Pageant Fees

This is a worksheet for you to use to help before you fill out the online forms!

REQUIRED Competition Packages (choose 1 ONLY)

Packages include all competitions required to win the age division titles

	\$75 Earlybird "Basic" Package (if registered by April 1, 2022)
	\$100 "Basic" Package (if registered after April 1, 2022)

"ALL IN" Competition Packages (choose 1 ONLY)

Packages include all of the "Basic" required package, plus all 5 optionals (including all Pro Am Modeling categories)

	\$185 Earlybird "All In" Package (if registered by April 1, 2022)
	\$215 "All In" Package (if registered after April 1, 2022)

Optional Fees

Miss Photogenic = \$15	Optional Talent = \$15
Best Headshot = \$15	Prettiest/Best Awards = \$15
Pro Am Modeling = \$15 per entry <i>Catagories are: USA/Patriotic Wear, Occupational Wear, Glamo-Camo Wear, Character Wear, and Cultural Wear</i>	

Online link to fill out paper work:

<https://form.jotform.com/220466458414053>

Guest Badges / Door Admissions / Tickets

Having family, friends, or other guests coming to watch? Everyone ages 5 and up needs a Guest Badge!

Each contestant will receive ONE Chaperone badge as part of their entry fee!

Other guests ages 5 and up will need to purchase a ticket to watch the competitions.

Prices are below! Please inform your guests that they will need to purchase a ticket to enter.

Tickets will be sold at the door!

\$15 / Adults (ages 12 and up)

\$10 / Children (under 12) & Senior Citizens (ages 60 and up)

Advertising

There is no limit to the number of ads you can sell!

HOW DOES IT WORK? / WHAT DO YOU DO?

Ask friends/family/businesses/anyone to purchase an ad for our program book. It is similar to ads you see in a program at a football game or dance recital. We can use business cards or flyers!

All information about the ad (contestant name, ad size, graphics/photos, text, etc) must be emailed to dcmetro.olm@gmail.com by **April 15, 2022!**

Email format must include...

Subject: Advertisement - (Contestant's First and Last Name)

Contact information for head of advertisement

Attached PDF or JPEG or PNG of advertisement (business card or flyer)

My Ad Worksheet

Page Size	Size	Price
Full Page	8 x 10	\$75
Half Page	8 x 5	\$50
Quarter Page	4 x 5	\$35
Eighth Page	4 x 2.5	\$20

CONTESTANT
WHO SELLS THE
MOST ADS WILL
WIN 2 PRIVATE
LESSONS FOR
THEIR TALENT!

Program Book

Program Book Picture(s) Deadline:

April 15, 2022

Roster Photo:

Every contestant will get her picture printed in the State Program book. You must submit one picture with your forms by the deadline. The picture cannot be glitz and/or retouched. Natural photos only!

Headshots work best!

Miss Photogenic:

All entering Miss Photogenic will get an additional picture printed in the book. This picture can be the same or different from your Roster Photo.

****All Roster and Miss Photogenic pictures must be emailed to dcmetro.olm@gmail.com by April 15, 2022****

General Informationg

April 24, 2022

11:00-11:30am	Registration / Check in
11:30am-12:00pm	Welcome Parents / Contestants Workshop
12:00-12:15pm	Opening Ceremony
12:15-1:15pm	Sports / Casual Wear
1:15-1:30pm	Short Break (Performance)
1:30-2:30pm	Interview / Close-Up Appraisal
2:30-2:45pm	Short Break (Raffle)
2:45-3:45pm	Talent
3:45-4:00pm	Short Break (Performance)
4:00-5:00pm	Optionals / Pro Am Modeling and Awards
5:00-5:15pm	Short Break (Performance)
5:15-6:15pm	Evening / Party Dress
6:15-7:00pm	Dinner Break and Judges Deliberate
7:00-7:30pm	Finals / Crowning

We do not require that you stay at a hotel, as there are no events held outside of the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center. There is also NO host hotel. We do have hotel recommendations for those who may need to book one.

Best Western Fairfax
3535 Chain Bridge Rd
Fairfax, VA 22030

Hampton Inn Fairfax City
10860 Fairfax Blvd
Fairfax, VA 22030

**Residence Inn by Marriott
Fairfax City**
3565 Chain Bridge Rd
Fairfax, VA 22030

Holiday Inn Express Fairfax
10327 Fairfax Blvd
Fairfax, VA 22030

Visit our website at:

<https://www.ourlittlemiss.com/copy-of-newyork>

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Register through the QR code

