

2023-24 Preliminary Pageant FAQ

More questions? Email: GeorgiaCinderellaPageant@gmail.com

Q: What ages are eligible to participate?

A: We welcome ladies from birth to 29 years of age*. Division determined by age as of September 1, 2022.

Baby Divisions: Cinderella Infant (0-11 months)

Cinderella Baby (12-23 months)

Cinderella Tiny Tot (24-35 months)

* Proof of age may be required.

Primary Age Divisions: Cinderella Tot (3-6 years)

Cinderella Mini Miss (7-9 years)

Cinderella Miss (10-12 years)

Cinderella Teen (13-17 years)

Cinderella Woman (18-29 years)

Q: What are the categories of competition?

A: Baby Divisions (0-35 months) compete in (1) Baby Playtime/Close-up Appraisal and (2) On-Stage Partywear Modeling (accompanied by a chaperone). Chaperone introduces baby on stage with name, age, and what city they represent. A Personality winner, Beauty winner, and Overall title (beauty and personality combined) will be crowned in each baby division.

Tot Division (ages 3-6) compete in (1) Group Interview, (2) Partywear, (3) Casualwear, and (4) Tot Personality (on-stage interview). A Beauty winner (interview, partywear and casualwear scores combined), a Tot Personality Winner, and an Overall winner (beauty and tot personality scores combined) will be crowned.

Miniature Miss and Miss Divisions compete in (1) Group Interview, (2) Partywear, (3) Casualwear, and (4) Talent. A Beauty winner (interview, partywear and casualwear scores combined), a Talent winner, and an Overall winner (beauty and talent scores combined) will be crowned in both divisions.

Teen and Women Divisions compete in (1) One-on-one Interview, (2) Formalwear, (3) Casualwear, and (4) Talent. A Beauty winner (interview, partywear and casualwear scores combined), a Talent winner, and an Overall winner (beauty and talent scores combined) will be crowned in both divisions.

There is a photogenic winner in every age division. This judging is solely on the photograph you provide and has no bearing on the other titles.

Q: Is my interview on stage?

A: Yes and no. Interviews will be conducted prior to the show for ages 3-29. Tot, Miniature Miss, Miss, Teen and Women interview one-on-one with the judges before the show. Tots will also participate in Tot Personality, which *is* an on-stage interview consisting of 4-8 questions. All questions in all interviews are based off the information given on your registration form.

Q: Do I need a fancy pageant gown and wardrobe?

A: No. Cinderella's motto is *real kids in real clothes*. Have a nice dress to wear to weddings, Prom, Easter, Christmas Mass? Have a cute outfit to wear on special occasions like school picture day, a friend's birthday party, or attending a theater event? You're all set! Check out our Facebook (GeorgiaCinderella) or Instagram (GeorgiaCinderellaPageant) for examples of clothing choices.

Q: What do I do on stage for Partywear and Casualwear modeling?

A: Participants are judged on overall appearance and not ability to model in an exaggerated way. This is not a high-fashion modeling competition, and thus, props, affected hand motions, footwork, and facial expressions are discouraged. Cinderella has a unique 4-point modeling pattern and modeling music, with dings and harp sweeps that signal the participant to move to the next step. Casualwear presentations also include the participant introducing themselves on stage. When participants arrive at the center X they are expected to say their name, age, and hometown. Teen and Women divisions also talk about their school or community involvement and career ambition. One minute is given for each participant to complete the modeling pattern and introduction.

In addition to individual modeling, participants also do collective judging where they are brought back with the other contestants in their age division for one last modeling appraisal.

Still need more information? Check out our Facebook page (GeorgiaCinderella) for video tutorials and our Events section for upcoming modeling workshops. Workshops are always free and are a great way to familiarize yourself with Cinderella-style modeling.

Q: What can I do for talent?

A: Whatever you want! Any creative performance that entertains an audience is acceptable. Talent must not exceed 2 minutes, 30 seconds in length. Music needs to be submitted no later than 5 days prior to the pageant date, and we need to know asap if you need a piano. Some venues do not have one and it will have to be rented. A keyboard is always available to use. Please communicate your unique stage needs as soon as possible. We will accommodate what we can. Fire cannot be used and will not be accommodated.

Q: How much does it cost to participate?

A: The Preliminary Pageant Registration Fee varies, but is generally less than \$100. This includes entry into all areas of competition, fees and insurance.

Contestants that have previously won the State title and are still eligible to compete at Internationals in the same division; girls from out of state that would like to practice; and girls that have already won a local preliminary title and want practice before the State Finals may participate in Honor Roll for \$50.

Q: Can my friends and family come and watch the show?

A: Absolutely! Check with the local director to find out if there will be a admission fee for audience members.

Q: How do I enter?

A: The Preliminary Entry Form is available on our website GeorgiaCinderella.com. Click on Upcoming Events, choose which pageant you want to enter, and the website listed on that event will take you directly to the registration form. Please complete one form per participant.

Q: How do I pay?

A: Check with the local director for your event for payment options. For the South Georgia, Atlanta Metro, Augusta Area, and Coweta County pageants, we accept Venmo (@GeorgiaCinderella) and Paypal (@gacinderella). Contact georgiacinderellapageant@gmail.com if you would like to pay via Zelle. All payments are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Q: What do I need to bring to registration on the day of the pageant?

A: Please bring printed photo (no larger than 8"x10") on the day of the pageant for photogenic judging. Baby divisions also bring their favorite toy for playtime. Babies should come dressed for playtime, and primary age divisions come dressed for interview.

Q: What happens if the pageant date changes?

A: If for any reason the pageant date changes, participants will be issued a credit towards the new pageant date or a future preliminary pageant date of their choice within the current preliminary pageant season (September 2023 – May 2024). Georgia Cinderella reserves the right to cancel an event due to venue availability and/or lack of participation.

Q: Are there rules for Cinderella?

A: Yes! Pageant Rules and Regulations are available at: https://cinderellapageant.com/forms-policy/. By registering you agree you have read and understand the rules and regulations. Please feel free to contact us directly at GeorgiaCinderellaPageant@gmail.com with any questions.

O: What can I win?

A: Prizes will vary based on the number of participants, however, here is a list of anticipated awards: An Overall Winner (which is Beauty and Talent combined) is crowned in each age division. Other winners in each age division include Beauty (ages 0-29), Personality (0-6), and Talent (ages 7-29). All winners receive an exquisite Cinderella tiara, custom satin banner, beautiful trophy, and qualify to compete at the Georgia Cinderella State Finals, June 8-9, 2024. Photogenic winners in each age division (0-29) receive a custom Cinderella plaque and satin banner.