

**The Miss Homestead Scholarship Foundation, Inc.**  
**Miss Homestead Pageant - February 27, 2010**

An official Preliminary to Miss Florida and Miss America Pageant

APPLICATION AND FACT SHEET

**The following is a list of the qualifications for the Miss Homestead Pageant:**

1. **I do make the following statements and representations: I attest that:**
  - a. I am a citizen of the United States of America.
  - b. I have resided in one of the following zip codes for at least six (6) months prior to the date of the Pageant (Florida City to Perrine): 33030, 33031, 33032, 33033, 33034, 33035, 33039, 33090, 33092, 33157; 33170; 33190.
  - c. I am a female, born female, single and have never been married.
  - d. I am between the ages of 17 (a senior in high school) and 24 (by December 31, 2010).
  - e. I am of good moral character and have never been convicted of any crimes and have no charges pending against me at this time.
  - f. I am in good health and can, to the best of my knowledge, participate in all pageant activities.
  - g. Unless specifically waived in writing by the Miss American Pageant, I have not endorsed or contracted to endorse any products sold by the National and/or State sponsors of the Miss Florida and/or Miss American Scholarship Programs.
  - h. I have never been a previous Miss America State Finalist who competed in the National Finals.
  - i. I have never been, nor am I presently pregnant.
  - j. I understand and realize that contestant eligibility will be consistent with the rules of the Miss Florida Pageant. **I also understand that I must provide a copy of my Birth Certificate and/or Citizenship documents (if not born in the United States) as well as proof of my education level upon submission of this Application. Requirement of 2.0 GPA.**
  
2. I agree to abide by all of the rules of the local, state and national Miss America Pageant. In effect now, or as announced hereafter.
  - a. I agree to participate in the series of events leading up to the final selection of Miss Homestead. I also agree to abide and be bound by the rules and regulations governing the finals of the Miss Homestead Scholarships and other prizes. Participation in the Miss Homestead Scholarship Pageant shall be understood to include all public appearances required of me by the Pageant officials. School and College schedules are excused.

3. Official Appearance: **Any request for an official appearance as Miss Homestead must be pre-approved by the Executive Director of the Miss Homestead Pageant and, if necessary, the Board of Directors and it will be your obligation to comply with any scheduled appearance to the best of your ability.** You will not be permitted to schedule any appearance or event as Miss Homestead without prior Miss Homestead Pageant approval. You must have prior approval from the Miss Homestead Pageant of any appearances you make personally to ensure that it does not conflict with the image or mission of the Miss Homestead, Miss Florida or Miss America Programs.
4. **Responsibility for preparation: From the moment you are selected as Miss Homestead, you assume total financial responsibility for your preparation to participate in the Miss Florida Pageant.**
5. If you become Miss Homestead, you are expected to participate fully in the overall aspects of fundraising. You are expected to accommodate all appearances into your schedule, with the exception of school or work.
6. If you receive monetary gifts for your preparation, they must be reported to the Miss Homestead Pageant and used only for preparations.
7. Decisions for Preparation: All preparations and decisions for the Miss Florida Pageant competition regarding wardrobe, talent, interview, physical fitness, platform and related issues and concerns will be under the guidance and pre-approval of the Miss Homestead Pageant and its Board of Directors and others who may be designated by the Miss Homestead Pageant based upon their particular talent and expertise. This includes outside interview coaching. You must have the Executive Director or someone she appoints to be at all coaching sessions.
8. Rules for official appearances: During your year of service as Miss Homestead, there are certain rules and criteria you hereby agree to abide by, specifically:
  - a. You must be on time for all appearances;
  - b. Any request(s) you may receive to make commercial appearances, even in your individual name, are not permitted without prior approval from the Miss Homestead Pageant.
  - c. Miss Florida and Miss America Organization, pursuant to these rules and regulations establish all appearances you make as Miss Homestead.
  - d. You should always arrive and depart to any from your residence and/or place or any appearance, well groomed, in proper attire, with proper make-up and prepared to be photographed.
  - e. You may never grant an interview without prior permission from the Miss

Homestead Pageant and any news of your activities, personal or otherwise, will be released only by the Miss Homestead Pageant.

- f. When you receive any gifts or awards, timely show your gratitude by sending a written Thank-You note to each donor and/or sponsor after such appearance.
  - g. Be considerate of your traveling companion as she is a volunteer who will assist in supervising you with all aspects of your being Miss Homestead and your appearances.
  - h. If you fail to meet our requirements you will be jeopardizing your title, scholarship(s), and your opportunity to advance to the Miss Florida Pageant.
  - i. **YOU MUST HAVE A MISS HOMESTEAD PAGEANT CHAPERONE TO ALL APPEARANCES INCLUDING THE MISS FLORIDA ORIENTATION AND THE MISS FLORIDA PAGEANT.**
9. Miami-Dade Community College: If you are selected Miss Homestead, you may be the recipient of a tuition scholarship, you are required to enroll within one (1) year and keep your enrollment current. We do require at least one class per semester or every other semester at the Homestead Branch. Proof of registration is required within the same year starting February 27, 2010.
  10. If you are planning to be Miss Homestead, you must be a voice<sup>3</sup> and an outstanding representative, ready to make as many appearances when possible, provided it does not interfere with school or college.
  11. If you do not feel that you can adhere to this local contract, please do not apply.
  12. **The deadline for accepting applications is:: TBA**
  13. **Tryouts/Orientation will be: TBA.**  
**Tryouts are by appointment. You will receive a phone call with the time and place.**
  14. All applications are to be sent to: **Miss Homestead Scholarship Foundation, Inc., 878 NW 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Homestead, FL 33030.**
  15. During tryout night you will be judged on the following criteria: overall appearance and physical fitness; well roundedness; talent and interview.
  16. Please bring your own music CD to perform your tryout performances.
  17. Please come dressed in Business Attire and bring talent clothes to change into if necessary.
  18. Platform: Platform is an issue or topic that you support and are an advocate for. This is required.

19. Fact Sheet: Fill out and return with this Application (Attached).
20. Miss America Local/Miss Homestead Contract: Fill out the local contract and print and return with this application. All blanks should read Homestead.
21. NEW to our contract, MANDATORY from the Miss America System, each person selected as a contestant in the Miss Homestead Pageant will be required to collect a \$100.00 donation to the Children's Miracle Network, partner for the Miss America Program. You will be given instruction on how to make your required donation at the Orientation.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ (If you are 17 years old).