

MISS CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA / MISS MIDSTATE / MISS GREATER JUNIATA VALLEY / MISS FREEDOM FORGE COMPETITIONS

"YOUR STEPPING STONE TO MISS AMERICA AND MISS AMERICA'S OUTSTANDING TEEN"

Dear Prospective Candidate:

We are pleased that you are considering entering the 2022 Miss Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Competition which will be held at 4:00 pm on Saturday, January 22, 2022, at the Mifflin County Middle School at 2 Manor Drive in Lewistown, PA.

Miss Title Information:

The titles of Miss Central Pennsylvania, Miss MidState and Miss Greater Juniata Valley are open to all contestants eligible for Miss Pennsylvania and the title of Miss Freedom Forge, will be available to women who reside in or attend school in or who work **full** time in Blair, Centre, Clinton, Huntingdon, Juniata, Mifflin, Perry, Snyder, or Union Counties. Those contestants are also eligible for both the Miss Central Pennsylvania, Miss MidState, and Miss Greater Juniata Valley. Please note that we are required to have at least three contestants per **title**- a total of 12 contestants to award all four titles. All four titles lead directly to Miss Pennsylvania competition which will be held in June in York, PA. Contestants must be between the ages of 19 and 26 on December 31, 2022, and at least a high school senior to compete. All candidates must reside, attend school full time, or work full time in Pennsylvania to be eligible to compete. Scoring in the competition is as follows:

35% Private Interview

15% Onstage Interview/Social Impact Pitch

35% Talent

15% Red Carpet

Teen Title Information:

The titles of Miss Central Pennsylvania's Outstanding Teen and Miss MidState's Outstanding Teen are open to all contestants eligible for Miss Pennsylvania's Outstanding Teen. Please note that we are required to have at least three contestants per **title** – a total of 6 contestants to award both titles. Both titles lead directly to Miss Pennsylvania's Outstanding Teen competition which will be held June in York, Pennsylvania. Candidates must be between the ages of 13 and 18 by December 31, 2022. All candidates must reside or attend school full time in Pennsylvania. Scoring in the competition is as follows:

30% Private Interview

40% Talent

20% Evening Wear/On State Question

10% Lifestyle & Fitness

Please check our website for additional contestant requirements and scoring information. If you are not sure of your eligibility, please contact us for assistance at either compete@MissCentralPA.org or (717) 248-5576 prior to submitting your application.

When you are ready to enter:

Mail or email your 2022 MSPF Application, MSPF Social Impact Essay, MSPF Resume for the judges, MSPF Talent Registration Form and the Program Book Information Form with a copy of your birth certificate, proof of residency (state ID card, school ID or another document which confirms your eligibility), and, if possible, a headshot for our Program Book and Newspaper Publicity. (If the headshot is not sent with your application materials, it will be needed by Friday, January 14, 2022). Our mailing address is 460 Dry Valley Road, Lewistown, PA, 17044. The email address is compete@misscentralpa.org. You should submit your paperwork as soon as possible because we are limited to 26 TOTAL MISS AND TEEN CONTESTANTS. In some years, we have been forced to put contestants on a waiting list because of receiving more than 26 contestant applications. If you are placed on the waiting list, we will let you know as soon as a spot opens up for you.

Once we receive your entry materials you will receive a confirmation email. You will be notified if you are on our contestant list or on the "waiting list." If we have eligibility questions, we will also make sure they are cleared up at that time. If you do not receive the confirmation email, please check back with us because it probably means that for some reason, we have not received your paperwork.

What you will need on pageant day:

1. **Evening Wear for the Evening Wear and Social Impact Competition.**
2. **An appropriate Outfit for the Private Interview.**
3. **Your Talent Costume.**
4. **An Opening Number Outfit (To be announced)**
5. **Two copies of your music CD (if any). Be sure to test them on a variety of devices to be sure they will work on our sound system the day of the Competition. Also, please note, that no one else is allowed on stage or in the wings to provide live musical accompaniment for you during your performance. You must accompany yourself or use the CD.**
6. **Be sure to bring make-up, hair products, etc.**
7. **Some candidates bring full length and make-up mirrors as well as racks for hanging clothing.**

Prizes and Awards: All winners will advance to Miss Pennsylvania completion. In addition, all will receive a Miss America local crown, sash, and scholarship.

Other Information About Paperwork:

Paperwork bearing the logos of other local pageants may be submitted to the Miss Central Pennsylvania Competition provided it is identical in format to our paperwork, to avoid repeating the same paperwork for every competition. You may also be required to sign a Miss America local contract at some point leading up to the local competition.

The Interview Process:

The private interview will take place on the date of the competition, January 22 during the morning or afternoon prior to the start of on-stage competition. The judges are seated, and the candidate is at a podium in front of the judges. The judges' chairperson will introduce you and the questions begin immediately. Do not go to the judges table to shake hands with the judges. You will immediately go to the podium and begin to answer questions. For Miss Candidates the interview length is 10 minutes. The first 9 and ½ minutes are spent on questions and answers. At the 9- and 1/2-minutes mark, one of the judges will tell you that the formal part of your interview has been completed and ask if you wish to add anything at that time. If you choose to do so you have 1/2 minute to speak. It is your decision whether to end the interview at that point or to add something. Your decision does not influence your scoring but, if you chose to add something it does play a part in your scoring. Please remember that no visual aids, paperwork, or props may be brought into the interview.

Please see the application form for more information on the registration and application fee.

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DATE

Dear Miss Pennsylvania Scholarship Organization,

This letter is to state that NAME with the award of AWARDS/TITLE in the amount of \$\$\$ on DATE to SCHOOL from the Miss Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Organization.

If you have any questions or need further information on the scholarship requested completed above, please contact us at compete@misscentralpa.org

Thank you for your time,

John, Rosie and Lisa Metzger
Executive Directors of Miss Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Organization

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APPLICATION for all LOCAL Competitions of the
Miss Pennsylvania Scholarship Foundation. Inc.

Local Competitions - please check which local you are submitting for:

- Miss Berks County Scholarship Organization
- Miss Bucks County Scholarship Organization
- Miss Butler County Scholarship Organization
- Miss Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Organization
- Miss Lancaster County Scholarship Organization
- Miss Laurel Highlands Scholarship Organization
- Miss Southeastern Pennsylvania Scholarship Organization
- Miss Northeastern Pennsylvania Scholarship Organization
- Miss Philadelphia Scholarship Organization
- Miss York County Scholarship Organization

Date of Application: _____

Competition Date: _____

Full Name: _____

AGE: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Home Address: _____

Age as of December 31, 2022 _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Miss Age Requirements: 19-26 years as of December 31, 2022

Teen Age Requirements: 13 - 18 years as of December 31, 2022

Phone (Parent Cell): _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Second Email: _____

Social Impact Title: _____

Donated Hours: _____

Money Fundraised: _____

Type of Talent: _____

Title of Music: _____

Miss Pennsylvania

Education:

High School Name: _____ Year Graduated: _____

College Name: _____ Year Graduated: _____

Date of Enrollment: _____ Full Time? Yes No Year In School:

Major Course of Study: _____ Degree Sought: _____

College/Residence Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Employment

Employer's Name & Address: _____

Job Title: _____ Date of Hire: _____

Parents

Mother's Full Name: _____ Hometown: _____ Phone: _____

Father's Full Name: _____ Hometown: _____ Phone: _____

TEEN application fee of \$75 is paid online: [Become a Candidate | Miss America](#)

Application fee for Miss for a local competition is \$75 on the registered link online.

Application fee for Teen for a local competition is \$100 to the local organization.

All data must be factual. The failure to provide factual information may result in your disqualification from the competition. Applications accepted on a first come first served basis. In completing this application, I give permission to the local competition organization to use my photographs and any videos taken for any and all purposes as a candidate of this local organization. Please understand that it is not always possible to receive photo credit. This application may be shared with other Miss Pennsylvania Local Directors of the MAO.

Signature of Candidate: _____ Date: _____

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RESUME INSTRUCTIONS for all LOCAL Competitions of the Miss Pennsylvania Scholarship Foundation, Inc. Candidate **Original Design Resumes- READ CAREFULLY**

It is important to MAO that candidates competing in the program have their Resume reflective of their own creativity and style. They are applying for a job as a local and/or state titleholder and any format they choose that best represents their personality is helpful in their judge's interview. The only criteria is no more than two (2) pages, submit either; a one (1) page maximum or two (2) page maximum resume.

- As a candidate, you are applying for a job and the job of Miss America is:
- Miss America is the most visible representative of the mission and vision of the Miss America Organization ("MAO"). Miss America's job is one of purpose. She is one member of the MAO team and is responsible for
- positively promoting the goals and objectives of MAO as well as advancing her own Social Impact Initiative ("SIS").
- Miss America is a full-time job. As an employee of MAO, she earns a salary, is eligible for MAO employee benefits and is subject to the policies and procedures of the MAO. She reports directly to the MAO Promotions Manager. While traveling and at events and appearances, she works side by side with her assigned Tour Manager.
- Miss America works with the MAO team to develop a realistic, actionable strategic SII plan with metrics which are then used to measure her performance. The performance metrics include building on her SII she brought to the job, identifying new national partners for her SII and working as part of the MAO team to expand her SII's reach through the Miss America platform. She is also expected to be a national ambassador of MAO's national partner(s) and sponsors as directed, and advance recruitment into the MAO program. Through public interaction, media appearances, speaking engagements, sponsor and partnership support, presentations, social media and administrative work, this position advances MAO's primary goals of education and service. The job of Miss America is demanding. She must be mentally, emotionally, physically and professionally equipped to travel, sometimes daily, across the country and potentially around the world. Each day she must come to work ready to promote a positive, friendly, approachable, relatable, engaged and enthusiastic voice.
- Miss America is not a celebrity, nor is she a "beauty queen." Instead, she is a person of character and a representative of service, and an example of what it means to be a giver, *not* a taker. It is her work that will be elaborate she uses her job to serve others, promote scholarships and the importance of education, and to make a lasting impact on communities across the nation. When Miss America's term expires, she will be successful if she has made a measurable, positive difference in the growth of MAO and her SII objectives.
- Miss America is expected to understand that in this position, she is but one part of an ever-evolving legacy of multi-dimensional women at every level of MAO. Her execution of the job is reflective not just of her; but of the entire organization. Miss America is about building on the past and helping to craft a future of relevancy for this and the next generation of women leaders.

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About The Miss America Organization:

In the summer of 1921, on the boardwalk of Atlantic City, an American icon was born. The organization was a disruptor at its birth and continues to move women forward through education and social impact. For the past 99 years, Miss America has been one of the country's most recognizable household names and has been at the center of everything from national trends to social movements to the birth of television. The young women involved have made a significant difference in people's lives through their educations' and charitable and community service endeavors, using this national organization and the public facing podium it presents to educate millions of Americans on issues facing the nation.

The symbols of Miss America are meant to advance a continuing movement of showing how women can be leaders, be givers, not takers, and to use education and a social conscious to dream big and inspire change for the betterment of the world around them.

Miss America, a non-profit 501(c) (4), is committed to bringing together individuals from different backgrounds and perspectives. We strive to create an inclusive environment where everyone can thrive, feel a sense of belonging, and do great work together. As an equal opportunity employer, we prohibit any unlawful discrimination against a job applicant on the basis of their race, color, religion, veteran status, *sex*, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability or genetic information. We respect the laws enforced by the EEOC and are dedicated to going above and beyond in fostering diversity across our company.

Or, you can use something like what is attached as a template.

Either way, whatever resume you choose to submit, it should reflect the experience you bring to the job of Miss America and how you would fulfill the duties should you be chosen Miss Pennsylvania.

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Name: Title:

Hometown:

Date of Birth:

Education:

Social Impact Statement Title:

Scholastic/Career Ambition:

Talent:

Scholastic Honors:

Leadership Roles:

Accomplishments:

Interesting Facts:

Employment:

Of all the ways you could succeed in your life, why have you chosen to succeed in the Miss America Program?

What can you do during your year to begin making a lasting impact on your community?

What social issue, other than your social impact statement, will have the greatest impact on your generation and why?

What would be the most important day to day activity you would do to advance your year as a title holder?

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SOCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT INSTRUCTIONS for all LOCAL Competitions of the Miss Pennsylvania Scholarship Foundation, Inc. State Candidate Social Impact Statement Instructions

Your Social Impact Initiative will be your initiative on which you will *work*, alongside the Miss Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Organization during your “Year of Service” as a local titleholder. This submission allows you to explain to the judges your subject matter choice, how you choose to advocate for it during your year and the metrics for success at the close of your Year of Service. In addition, it should explain how your advocacy will further the Miss Pennsylvania Scholarship Foundation mission.

1. Use any word processing program. **Name your file:** Social Impact LAST NAME, First Name
2. Start a "new" document and follow instructions 3-6 or use the second page of this document and skip to step 7.
3. Set margins for 1" on all four sides. The font style may not be any smaller than "10" and no larger than "12" point type using the Times New Roman font style.
4. With the justification set for left, type "Name:" in bold. Following the colon (:), hit the spacebar twice. *Then*, type your name.
5. Move to the next line and type "Title:" in bold. Following the colon (:), hit the spacebar twice. Then, type the Local title. Don't embed the local title into the body of your platform.
6. On the next line, set your justification to "center". Then type in bold and underline the title of your social impact.
7. On the next line after the Social Impact Title, write what you feel is critical for the judges to know about your social impact and why it is necessary for you to have the job of Miss Local to promote this issue. What you write will be what the judges know about your social impact, your role in successfully dealing with this issue, and the role the Miss Local Organization may play in your plan.
8. This essay **may** include some of the following items (this is not to be meant as an exhaustive list):
 - a. A clear definition of the social impact and the specific issues you wish to address.
 - b. A plan on how you have or will create awareness of the social impact
 - c. The way in which you have or will change attitudes regarding the issue
 - d. The way in which you have or will change behaviors related to this issue
 - e. The way in which your social impact issue will move the Miss Local Organization forward
 - f. Your media plans
 - g. Your marketing strategy
 - h. How you propose to fund your ideas/plans
 - i. Any significant accomplishments you have made in regard to your issue
 - j. The Social Impact statement is to be on ONE PAGE ONLY!
9. At the bottom of the page, set the justification to the right. Type a line of 26 spaces. Below that line, type Signature/Date.
10. Sign and date the Social Impact page. You can do this by printing to pdf and using the annotation feature to create a signature. Alternatively, print the document, sign/date it, then scan the signed copy.
11. Turn the signed Social Impact page into the competition along with your resume.

It is important that these instructions are followed and that you proofread the content before turning your paperwork in. Your paperwork is given to the judges and forms an impression of you before they meet you.

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Name:

Title:

Social Impact Title

Signature/Date

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TALENT REQUEST FORM for all LOCAL Competitions of the Miss Pennsylvania Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

All talents must be in good taste. If you have any questions about whether your talent is appropriate, please contact the Local Executive Director before submitting your talent request. If your talent is found not to be in good taste at the rehearsals you will have to change your talent or you will not be permitted to participate in the competition. A decision as to whether a talent is in good or bad taste is at the sole discretion of the organizers or executive directors of the Local Competition.

- Talent is limited to NO longer than 90 seconds
- In case of duplicate requests, the Talent Request Form received first will prevail
- Props must actually be used in the talent and may not sit on stage as a visual prop

Full Name: _____

Type of Talent: _____

Music Title: _____

Composer/Artist: _____

Props: _____ Music Timed At: _____

Talent Introduction:

Name Your File: Talent: LAST NAME, First Name:

Signature of Candidate: _____

Date: _____

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Scholarship Request Form (for those who won scholarships ONLY)

Date:

Name:

Email:

Address:

Phone Number:

Parents Name:

Parents Email:

Parents Address:

Parents Phone Number:

Awards/Amount Requested:

Place of Distribution:

Address of Distribution:

School ID (if
Applicable):

Signature:

Please return with all fields filled out to compete@misscentralpa.org
Funds will be mailed within 45 days of return.