



## COMPETITION OVERVIEW

**AGE:** Teen contestants are between ages 14-18 Miss contestants are between ages 18-28

**ELIGIBILITY:** Must live or work full-time in Sanpete County or attend college. You must either live in Sanpete County for the last 30 days, work for a local employer for the past 30 days with at least 30 hours a week, or show you are enrolled in College with proof of registration of at least 12 credit hours for the fall semester.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE INITIATIVE (CSI):** We are a service based organization and encourage you to develop a Community Service Initiative that you are passionate about, you believe in, or you would like to raise awareness about. We encourage you to start now (if you haven't already) with activities that support your CSI and continue those activities throughout the year. Robyn Fleming, CEO Miss America, said "It's about what you have been doing rather than what you are going to do."

**SPONSORSHIP:** One full page of ads must be sold by each contestant to compete. Girls can sell ads for the program book at: (1) - \$300 for a full-page ad, (2) - \$175 for a half page ad, (4) - \$90 for a quarter page ad, or (8) - \$50 business card ad or it can be any combination of the above totaling \$300. The Teen and Miss contestants who raise the most money will be honored with the Elite Fundraiser award the night of competition.

**HEADSHOT:** Headshots are required to have a white background. Any other photos with a different background will be rejected. Please email your headshot to [m scandot@gmail.com](mailto:m scandot@gmail.com) in a jpeg format with at least a 300 dpi high resolution. If the file is too big to email, please deliver on a flash drive with your name on it.

### MISS AND TEEN AREAS OF COMPETITION:

Private Interview	30%
On Stage Conversation	10%
Health and Fitness	20%
Talent/HERStory	20%
Evening Gown	20%

**PRODUCTION NUMBER:** Opening production number will be in a white outfit. Can be a dress, pantsuit, etc. We would like to have one blingy accessory. Belt, earrings, necklace, headband, pin, shoes, etc. Be creative and stand out! Just remember that you will be dancing in the outfit so nothing with a train.



**STATE COMPETITION:** We will pay the fees charged by the Miss Utah Organization for you to attend Miss Utah in June or Miss Utah's Teen in February and for professional headshots from a photographer of our choosing. We do not cover wardrobe, tickets, Little Miss fees, ads, Miss America registration fees, hair, makeup, or any other costumes required to attend the competitions.

**SCORE SHEETS:** Neither scores nor judges' comments are given at any time to contestants.

**OTHER INFORMATION:** You are responsible for your own hair and makeup the day of the pageant. You cannot bring in anyone to help you. We will have host moms backstage to help with hair and changing costumes. At no time before, during or after the pageant will anyone other than contestants, Miss Sanpete Board members, backstage crew members, guest performers and emcees be allowed backstage.

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS:** Major scholarships will not be awarded until the contestant successfully completes her year.

Miss Sanpete County is awarded a \$2500 scholarship.

1<sup>st</sup> Attendant \$500.00 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Attendant \$250

Miss Sanpete County's Teen will receive a \$500 cash award.

1<sup>st</sup> Attendant \$250 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Attendant \$150

## COMPETITION PREP

Workshops: Modeling, Interviews, Opening Number, Onstage Questions

Dress Rehearsal: September 6th

Pageant Date: September 7th



## CHECKLIST

- Contestant Information Form**  
[www.form.jotform.com/230806011529044](http://www.form.jotform.com/230806011529044)
- Contestant Contract and Scholarship Rules and Guidelines**  
[Click Here for Contestant Contract](#)
- Verification of age**  
Driver License or learner's permit, passport, state ID or birth certificate
- Verification of eligibility (choose one)**
  - based upon residency** – driver's license, school records, voter registration card, current lease, utility bill, or vehicle registration
  - based on employment status** – paystubs, W-2, or letter from employer
  - based on education status** – College registration form showing 12+ credit hours for Fall 2024 semester
- Headshot Photo**
  - Email your headshot to [m scandot@gmail.com](mailto:m scandot@gmail.com)
  - Format- JPEG – 300 dpi high resolution.
  - If the file is too big to email, please deliver on a flash drive with your name on it.
- Required Sponsorship/Ads**
  - Sell one page of advertisements (1 full page, 2 half pages, 4 quarter pages or 8 business cards)
  - Please have the sponsor email us a high resolution digital ad in jpg or pdf format, or business card they want to be placed in the program. Ads can be emailed to [m scandot@gmail.com](mailto:m scandot@gmail.com)
- Fact Sheet and CSI essay (also used for mock interviews)**
- Miss America Registration**  
Register and pay the \$35 fee <https://www.missamerica.org/register/>
- Talent Information Form and music**  
<https://form.jotform.com/230796937609068>
- Health and Fitness Information Form**  
<https://form.jotform.com/230808546815158>



- Rebel Athletic Wear**

<https://rebelathletic.com/collections/curated-styles-for-miss-america-organization>

- Final Fact Sheet for panelists**

- Final CSI Essay for panelists**

## **PERCENTAGE GUIDELINES**

Private Interview 30%  
Talent/HERStory™ 20%  
Health & Fitness 20%  
Evening Gown 20%  
On Stage Conversation 10%



## **Private Interview 30%**

**Wardrobe:** Contestants Choice - Fashionable Interview Attire (age appropriate)

**Timing:** 30 second opening, 9 minute Q&A, 30 second wrap up or closing statement.

### **Fact Sheet (see attached for example):**

- Must be a single page
- San serif fonts in sizes 11-14.
- Margins to be standard 1"
- Single line spaced typed responses
- May be submitted as a hard copy or emailed in a pdf format to [m scandot@gmail.com](mailto:m scandot@gmail.com)
- May not include any attachments, any graphics or photos

### **Community Service Initiative Statement (see attached for instructions):**

- Community Service Initiative (CSI) submission is a one sheet document in which the delegate responds in a short essay regarding her personal CSI.

### **Procedures**

- The Contestant will be seated at a table.
- Each contestant is introduced by the panelist chair, will be seated and immediately present a brief 30-second introduction/CSI overview. Once the CSI intro is completed, the panelists begin the interview.
- At (9:30) nine-minute thirty second mark, timekeeper indicates (30) seconds remaining for the interview. The Panelist Chair will inform the contestant of remaining time and the contestant may choose to use the time to finish her response to the last question or proceed in a closing statement.
- At the 10 minute mark, the timekeeper stands, and the head panelist indicates the interview time is up, concluding that Contestant's private interview phase.

### **Purpose - Allows Insight Into the Contestant's:**

- Ability to fulfill the qualifications, responsibilities, duties, and term of the titleholder.
- Personal qualities and attributes relevant to the titleholder position.
- Commitment to her community service initiative or CSI.
- Ability to express her own beliefs in an authentic and relatable manner.
- Sense of accomplishments /goals above and beyond the fact sheet.
- Spontaneity, intelligence, sense of humor, charm and charisma.
- Authenticity and ability to answer questions in a conversational, unrehearsed manner
- Ability to serve as a role model and if she is reflective of her generation.



## **Interview Fact Sheet**

**Name:**

**Hometown/Local Title:**

**Age:**

**Instagram:**

**Facebook:**

**TikTok:**

**Twitter:**

**Current Employment or Schooling:**

**Scholastic/Career Ambition:**

**Community Service Initiative (CSI):**

**Performance Talent or HERStory™ Description:**

**Accomplishments:**

**Interesting Facts:**

**Describe your personal health initiatives and alignment with #MissAmericaFit:**

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

**Name three items on your 'bucket list' in the next five years.**



## **COMMUNITY SERVICE INITIATIVE (CSI) ESSAY**

Miss America's Community Service Initiative (CSI) is an integral part of the Private Interview phase of competition, supporting one of the branded elements of Miss America as outlined by the "Four Points" of the crown. The "Four Points" are Style, Scholarship, Service, and Success. CSI is specific to the SERVICE point of the crown. The CSI allows you, as a participating Contestant, to showcase and deploy your interests and creativity to outline a plan or effort to engage with existing programs in your local community or state.

### ***Formatting***

The CSI Essay must follow this formatting:

- Single-spaced, single page document.
- Font is to be an 11-14 pt. sans serif font of your choice.
- You may use bullet points within your long form essay.

### ***Content***

Your CSI Essay should include the following information:

- A description of your Community Service Initiative passion or interest
- Why you chose this particular initiative
- How you have partnered or will partner with local/state communities to create momentum
- Any social media or marketing strategies that will best support your CSI
- Any activities you have planned or participated in with respect to your CSI

### ***Signature and Date***

Please sign and date your submission in the bottom right hand corner. No submissions to be verified without a signature.

### ***Submission***

The CSI Essay must be submitted as a hard copy or pdf.

### ***Marketing and Promotional Suggestion***

For personal use/promotion - NOT for an interview submission - you may create a fully graphic page for insertion in the local competition magazine, distribution online as a promotional flier, printed item to distribute during community events/presentations, or as a 'one sheet' to advertise your participation in the Miss America or Miss America's Teen programs online, or while raising funds. There are no guidelines as to promotional creative, other than you must have Local permission to use the Miss America or Miss America's Teen logos.



## On Stage Conversation 10%

**Wardrobe:** Contestant to be in opening number apparel or interview attire

**Preliminary Purpose:**

This question to be asked immediately following any opening number. This should be the first phase of any preliminary competition each night.

**Questions:** The preliminary conversation question should be a single question asked onstage regarding the Contestant's Community Service Initiative (CSI) and response should not be longer than 30 seconds.

**Allows Insight into the Contestant's:**

- Commitment to the Service point of the crown.
- Unique perspective on community service and its local impact
- Desire to create interest in her community service initiatives
- Brings the interview to the stage in an interactive engaging way to showcase each delegate
- Highlights intelligence, personality, charisma, and aptitude for the titleholder's opportunity.
- Allows a look at the sense of composure in presenting ideas on stage
- Allows a look at interactivity with the panelists and the audience.





## Health & Fitness 20%

**Wardrobe:** Contestant's choice of Rebel Athletic x Miss America red athletic wear (Mandatory)

The collection can be found at

<https://rebelathletic.com/collections/curated-styles-for-miss-america-organization>

Please apply the state code when purchasing. Rebel Athletics donates 8% of any purchases made with the state code to the state program. The state code is **MAOUT8**

Contestants do have the options to borrow/rent/buy their Rebel Athletic wear

### **Procedure:**

- The organization will present each Contestant in a pre-blocked stage pattern that will not exceed 20-30 seconds per Contestant.

**Purpose:** This phase of competition is where the contestant showcases her commitment to health and fitness initiatives. At the local organization discretion this phase may include a voice-over on her experience with self-care and health goals, and related initiatives, or a health/fitness statement. A Contestant's discipline and commitment to being physically healthy is a key to success in all other areas of life, and the rigors of representing the Miss America or Miss America's Teen program as a national titleholder.

### **Allows Insight Into:**

- The Contestant's comfort and confidence level on stage.
- The Contestant's overall impression of health and fitness commitment.
- On stage presentation and energy, comfort in front of an audience, confidence.
- The ability to gauge the audience's impression of the contestant.
- The contestant's spontaneity, and lack of "robotic" stage presentation.
- Ability to determine if delegate could serve as national health/fitness ambassador



## Performing Arts Talent/HERStory™ 20%

**Wardrobe:** Contestant's Choice

**Timing:** Up to 90 seconds

**Purpose:** To underscore the Miss America and Miss America's Teen commitment to supporting performance arts education initiatives and women's individual efforts in dance, music, opera/vocal, drama, magic, oratory and circus arts.

**Procedure:**

- Each contestant will perform talent that will not exceed 90 seconds per Contestant.
- Talent will only be judged on what is being performed live on stage.
- No other persons are allowed on stage during talent. If accompaniment is needed, it must be pre-recorded in advance.
- Contestants are responsible for all music and costumes. Make sure you have back-up music available.
- Props are limited to what is necessary for performing talent and must be approved in advance by the Director.
- Selection of talent music is on a "first come first serve" basis and no talent music will be duplicated on stage. The first contestant to complete her talent information form AND upload or deliver music (CD or thumb drive).
- Register talent and upload music to the [Talent Information](https://www.missanpetecounty.org/) form located on our website <https://www.missanpetecounty.org/>

**Performance Talent Requirements:** Talent must be approved by National MAO or previously approved as listed on the most recent "Approved Performance Talent List" (see attached) OR be in compliance with the guidelines for the HERStory™ stage presentation. HERStory™ guideline sheet to be used. Videos or other screen projections are not allowed.

**Allows Insight into the Contestant's:**

- Preparatory, performance or storytelling skills.
- Overall presentation skills and ability to deliver a captivating presentation.
- Interpretive ability and entertainment value relative to the category of performance art.
- Stage presence, on-stage personality and personal connection to her story.
- Allows a look at the totality of the performance elements of on stage presentation
- Ability to capture the attention of an audience while performing on stage.



## Approved Performing Arts Talent List

Vocal  
Dance  
Instruments  
Gymnastics (all types)  
Baton Twirling  
Painting  
Magic  
Stand-Up Comedy  
Dramatic Reading  
Monologues  
Slam Poetry  
Flags or Color Guard Presentation  
Karate/Martial Arts Demos  
Silks  
Roller skating  
Hula Hoops  
Balancing Acts  
Unicycling  
Juggling  
Theatrical Science Experiments  
Ventriloquism  
Rodeo/Roping  
Cheerleading  
Contortionist  
Signing  
\*Storytelling (HER Story)



## Evening Gown 20%

**Wardrobe:** Candidate's Choice of Evening Wear

**Timing:** State/Local choice of timing to music.

**Choreography:** State/Local choice of choreography and timing.

**Purpose:** Contestant will publicly present her sense of Style wearing an evening gown in a fashion suitable for an appearance as Miss Sanpete County or Miss Sanpete County's Teen. Part of a titleholder's role is to attend galas, fundraisers, award shows, and other formal events. This often involves walking a red carpet, posing for the press photographers, modeling in fashion shows, promoting various national fashion designers who partner with Miss America or Miss America's Teen programs.

**Allows Insight into the Contestant's:**

- Ability to capture attention on stage, and individual stage presence.
- Comfort, confidence, and composure.
- Overall impression of ability to represent the Miss Sanpete County or Miss Sanpete County's Organization at a high profile event.
- Scoring is based on how the delegate carries herself/performs in this phase of competition, not on the actual gown she is wearing or the perceived cost of that gown.



## Donation/Ad Form

Contestant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

- Please include my ad:
  - \$300 full page size 7.5" (width) x 10" (height)
  - \$175 half page size 7.5" (width) x 4.75" (height)
  - \$90 quarter page ad 3.5" (width) x 4.75" (height)
  - \$50 business card ad 3.5" (width) x 2.00" (height)

**Please send high resolution digital ad in pdf or jpg format for program book to [miscandot@gmail.com](mailto:miscandot@gmail.com)**

- Please do not include an ad for my donation.

\*\*\* Credit Card payments can be made on our website [www.missanpetecounty.org](http://www.missanpetecounty.org)  
Click on the "Donation" button at the top of the home page \*\*\*

Please make checks payable to: Sanpete County  
Att Miss Sanpete



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONTESTANT

One full page of ads must be sold by each contestant to compete for Miss Sanpete County or Miss Teen Sanpete.

You can sell ads for the program book at: (1) - \$300.00 for a full-page ad, (2) - \$175.00 for a half page ad, (4) - \$90 for a quarter page ad, or (8) - \$50 business card ad.

You can sell any combination of ads (for example one ½ page and two ¼ page ads) as long as your total ads sales and/or donations total \$300.

Each ad purchased or donation made needs to have a donation form to accompany it so we can track the candidate total and for us to report to the county auditor's office.

Contestants can collect the money and ad form OR the business can mail the form and donation.

We accept check, cash, or credit card on our website [www.missanpetecounty.org](http://www.missanpetecounty.org)

**We CANNOT accept Venmo.**

Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

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