

Miss Gold and Black Pageant Information



Friday, March 5 and Saturday, March 6, 2021
CAMDEN HIGH PERFORMING ARTS AUDITORIUM

- **The Miss Gold and Black Pageant will be held in the Camden High Performing Arts Auditorium**
Freshman and Sophomore contestants will participate in the Junior Miss Gold and Black Pageant on Friday, March 5th. These winners will be selected by a panel of judges: Miss Freshman, Miss Sophomore, Miss Congeniality (chosen by the contestants), Classy Camden award for Exemplary School and Community Service (chosen by a teacher committee) and Junior Miss Gold and Black. Junior Miss Gold and Black will receive a cash scholarship. **IMPORTANT:** We must have at least five freshmen and five sophomores to have a Friday night pageant. If we do not have the required numbers we will have the Junior Miss Pageant on Saturday as well.
- Junior and Senior contestants will participate in the Miss Gold and Black Pageant on Saturday, March 6th. These winners will be selected by a panel of judges: Miss Junior, Miss Senior, Miss Congeniality (as chosen by the contestants), Classy Camden award for Exemplary School and Community Service (chosen by a teacher committee), and Miss Gold and Black. Miss Gold and Black will receive a cash scholarship.
- A special feature to the pageant will be a Fan Favorite escort winner. During Pageant Week, students may go by the Media Center and purchase Fan Favorite tickets for \$1.00 to cast their vote for their favorite pageant escort. Tickets will also be sold on Friday and Saturday nights. The escort who receives the highest Fan Favorite ticket sales by intermission on Saturday will be crowned Mr. Camden Bulldog at the end of the pageant. Mr. Camden Bulldog will receive a cash award.

I. Qualifications

- a. A contestant or an escort cannot have any Level II or higher on his/her discipline record.
- b. A contestant or an escort must have a C average (2.0) from August 2020 through the end of first semester.
- c. No inappropriate social media postings.

II. Disqualification

- a. A contestant or an escort will be disqualified at any time for the following reason: OSS.
- b. Please be responsible and carry yourself in a manner that would make Camden High proud to have you as its representative.
- c. Failure to adhere to safety protocols at all times—during photo sessions, practices, pageant events, etc.

III. Participation fees

- a. There is a \$20 registration fee and a \$10 t-shirt cost. Please return \$30.00 plus the signed permission form to Mrs. Horton in the Media Center by 3:30 on Thursday, January 21st.

IV. Mandatory Meetings and Rehearsals: All rehearsals are CLOSED to everyone not involved!

Information Meeting (attend one); Wednesday, January 13th: Enrichment time or 3:30 in Library Application, permission form, registration fee (\$20.00), and t-shirt money (\$10.00) are due by Thursday, January 21st. Slide Photo Session –Saturday, February 6th or Sunday, February 7th with rain dates of February 13th or 14th. The sitting fee is \$20. Julie Prickett of Photography by Julie JP will be taking the slide show pictures. Please do **NOT** bring a change of clothes. If you would like variety in your pictures add accessories or a jacket. You will sign up for a picture time when you return your permission form. After pictures are taken, you will select **two** pictures you would like to use in the pageant during the casual wear competition. You will also select **one** of these pictures for your Miss Photogenic picture.

- a. *The application (google form this year), permission form and calendar will be posted on our school website on Wednesday, January 13th.*
- b. **Friday, February 12th** 3:30 Auditorium. We will practice for the opening number and discuss pageant interview process.
- c. **Friday, February 26th (Virtual Learning Day)** 2:00-3:30 at the Auditorium. We will practice for the opening number and finalize tickets. Group and buddy shots will be made after this practice. Rain date Saturday, Feb 27th 10:00-12:00.
- d. **Tuesday, March 2nd**: 6:00-9:00 practice for **all contestants**. Escorts do not need to be at this practice.
- e. **Wednesday, March 3rd**: 6:00-9:00 practice for **Junior Miss contestants only**. Escorts need to be there at 7:00 and will stay until the end of practice.
- f. **Thursday, March 4th** from 6:00-9:00 practice for **Miss Gold and Black contestants only**. Escorts need to be there at 7:00 and will stay until the end of practice.
- g. The meeting and rehearsals are MANDATORY (that means you have to be there). You may not be in the pageant if you miss practice. Please let Mrs. Horton know before a practice about any athletic events that may conflict with these practice times. All practices are CLOSED unless you are a contestant or an escort.

V. Judging (All contestants will randomly draw a number to select the order of the contestants for the pageant.)

- a. Application counts 25%. Applications will be mailed to the judges. This will be the judges' first impression of you. Make it count! Have someone proof-read. Grammatical and spelling errors are noticed by the judges.
- b. Interview counts 25%. Freshman and Sophomore interviews will be on Friday, March 5th beginning at 1:00 with Junior and Senior interviews on Saturday, March 6th beginning at 1:00. The interviews will take place in a room that follows social distancing guidelines. All contestants must wear their pageant t-shirts, jeans and boots (same outfit as the group picture). This will be the first time the judges will see you. Be prepared to answer questions about yourself, questions from your application and questions about local/national news. Your interview time will be determined by your contestant number. A Google document will be emailed to all contestants with interview times.
- c. Casual Wear counts 25%. For Casual Wear, choose an outfit that you would wear on a first date. Mrs. Raley will share a Pinterest board with examples of appropriate Casual Wear.
- d. Formal Wear counts 25%. Contestants can choose any color or style for the formal wear (short or long), as would be appropriate for prom. Your escort will be dressed in a tuxedo during this time. If you need any assistance with the evening gown, there are local organizations that can help. Please let Mrs. Horton know.

VI. Winners

Winners will be determined by the score from the judges. The winners will include:
Miss Gold and Black 2021 – highest score (scholarship, trophy, flowers, sash, tiara)
Miss Senior – highest score among the seniors (trophy, flowers, tiara)
Miss Junior – highest score among the juniors (trophy, flowers, tiara)
Junior Miss Gold and Black 2021 – highest score (scholarship, trophy, flowers, sash, tiara)
Miss Sophomore – highest score among the sophomores (trophy, flowers, tiara)
Miss Freshman – highest score among the freshmen (trophy, flowers, tiara)
Miss Congeniality – given each night; chosen by the contestants (trophy)
Miss Photogenic – given each night; chosen by the judges (plaque)
Classy Camden award for Exemplary School and Community Service (chosen by a teacher committee) (plaque)
Best Interview Winner – given each night; highest score from the Interview (plaque)
Mr. Camden Bulldog – escort who has the highest number of Fan Favorite votes (cast via Fan Favorite tickets sold during Pageant Week); announced at Saturday's pageant. You may choose to sell tickets for favorite escort before the pageant.

VII. Escorts

- a. There will be a limited number of escorts this year. They must meet the same qualifications as the contestants (no Level II or higher discipline referrals and a C average during first semester). Keep in mind the escorts will participate in a dance number and will need to wear tuxedos. Senior contestants will have first choice of escorts. Contestants will select their escorts and draw contestant numbers when they return permission form, etc..

VIII. Pictures and Slides

Slide Photo Session –Saturday, February 6th or Sunday, February 7th with rain dates of February 13th or 14th. The sitting fee is \$20. Julie Prickett of Camden will be taking the slide show pictures. Please do **NOT** bring a change of clothes. If you want variety in your pictures add accessories or a jacket. You will sign up for a picture time when you return your application. After pictures are taken, you will select **two** pictures that will be projected during the casual wear competition. You will also select **one** of these pictures for your Miss Photogenic picture. Picture selection Wednesday, February 17 OR Thursday, February 18.

IX. DVD/Video and Pictures

- a. A link to a pageant video will be shared with contestants who pay a \$10.00 fee.
- b. Johnny Deal of Bowtie Photography will be taking pictures during the pageant.

X. Ticket Information

- a. Current circumstances dictate that ticket sales be limited to adhere to social distancing guidelines. The number of in-person tickets per contestant will be depend on the number of contestants. The cost is \$10.00 per ticket. A pageant program is included in the cost of the ticket. Contestants will be given a request form for tickets in February. We are working on a plan to sell tickets to watch the pageant virtually.
- b. Ticket money must be returned to Mrs. Horton by 3:30 on Thursday, February 25th Remaining tickets will go on sale to the public on Monday, March 1st.
- c. Contestants who have NOT turned in ticket money cannot be interviewed the day of the pageant.

XI. Questions

- a. Contact Mrs. Horton in the Media Center (laura.horton@kcsdschools.net).
- b. Visit www.kcsdschools.net/chs for information about Miss Gold and Black.