

# The 2024 MISS GMS PAGEANT

Presented by GMS Band

Thank you for your interest in the Miss GMS Pageant. **PLEASE REVIEW ALL INFORMATION IN THIS PACKET CAREFULLY.**

Enclosed is a schedule for all pageant activities. Although participation in this production can be a wonderful experience, please be aware that there is a great deal of time and commitment required of the contestants. **Also note registration fees are non-refundable.** In the event of a returned check, all transactions will be required to be paid in cash or cashier's check for the remainder of the pageant in lieu of a returned check fee.

The many people it takes to conduct this pageant are all volunteers who have graciously agreed to give up a great deal of time and effort to help make this event possible and run as smoothly as possible. **Please treat them with the utmost respect at all times.**

## **PAGEANT RULES AND GUIDELINES:**

These rules and guidelines have been established to help us provide a fun, safe, and enjoyable experience for the contestants and their families. Please respect and follow these rules. **Disruptive behavior or non-compliance to the rules by contestants, parents, or other friends and relatives cannot be tolerated. Such behavior may result in disqualification of the contestant.**

### **FOR ALL CONTESTANTS:**

**There are 4 competition classes:**

**Grade Level Competition**– (Miss 6th Grade, Miss 7th Grade, Miss 8th Grade), & **Miss GMS** – any grade! (lunch with the judges, interview, and talent competition)

- ❖ All categories will compete in Miss Congeniality, Miss Photogenic (when meeting the photograph requirements) evening wear, theme wear, and casual wear competition.
- ❖ Miss GMS Contestants will also compete in a stage interview and an interview luncheon with the judges in addition to a talent portion of the contest.
- ❖ You may wear any color of theme, evening gown or casual wear. However, **SCHOOL DRESS CODE GUIDELINES WILL APPLY FOR ANY ATTIRE DURING THIS PAGEANT.** Therefore, please keep in mind when selecting your attire, belly buttons or midriffs cannot be exposed, a slit in an evening gown cannot come above the tips of your fingers when down by your side etc. However, strapless gowns or spaghetti strap gowns are acceptable. We will be available to review all attire prior to the competition to give you any opportunities to correct anything that does not meet the dress code. Also, remember to schedule nail, hair, makeup (all appointments need to be made for after school).
- ❖ The pageant will open with the “theme wear” portion of the competition. Each contestant will participate in an opening number and introduce themselves to the audience. This will also be part of our rehearsals so you know how to stand, what to say, and feel comfortable in front of the microphone. *The theme for this year will be “Be Anything”.*
- ❖ **ALL REHEARSALS ARE CLOSED** to anyone other than pageant contestants and pageant staff.
- ❖ **All rehearsals are required and all participants are required to attend the dress rehearsal at Easley High School on Friday, March 22.**
  - Remember to bring your shoes to all rehearsals and dress comfortably. Temperatures in the auditorium vary during rehearsals.

**IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT Mrs. Myers:**

**[MissGMSPageant@gmail.com](mailto:MissGMSPageant@gmail.com)** or see our website **[www.missgms.com](http://www.missgms.com)**

**THIS YEAR'S AWARDS**  
**FOR ALL CONTESTANTS IN EACH CATEGORY OF CLASS BEAUTIES**  
**AND MISS GMS:**

In an effort to recognize the outstanding performance and effort of so many contestants, the awards program will be as follows:

**The top three overall scores will be awarded trophies as the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> runner-ups and a Queen.**

- Of the remaining contestants in each category, we will give an award for best evening wear, theme and best casual wear.

**MISS CONGENIALITY (Trophy awarded for each competition category)**

- Each contestant will vote for the contestant they think should be awarded Miss Congeniality from their competition category. The person who demonstrates the characteristics of Miss Congeniality should be the person you think has displayed the nicest and most sincere sportsmanship.

**MISS PHOTOGENIC: (Trophy awarded for each competition category)**

- All contestants eligible for MISS PHOTOGENIC **Must** have their pictures made on the scheduled date for headshots (Feb 3) by the selected Photographer (Bradley Photography)
- Headshots will take place on Feb 3rd at Gettys. Times will be selected later through a signup.
- If you have a conflict with February 3, you are responsible for letting Mrs Myers know PRIOR to the day of the headshots, otherwise you will be ineligible for the Miss Photogenic category.
- **If you are unable to make the Headshot date, it is your responsibility to communicate with the photographer to see if there is an alternate date available.**
- If you do not get a headshot by our Pageant photographer, you will be ineligible for this category.

**MISS ENTREPRENEUR - overall award (not by class)**

- Award given to contestant with the highest ads sold

**AUDIENCE CHOICE AWARD - overall award (not by class)**

- Award given to contestant with the most donations for charity at the door.
- All proceeds from votes for the winner will be donated to the charity of choice for this contestant

**FOR CONTESTANTS IN MISS GMS CATEGORY ONLY**

In addition to the above awards, an award will be given for:

- On-Stage Interview
- Best Talent

**Pageant Dates**

**January 5** - Registration Deadline - to to [www.missgms.com](http://www.missgms.com) to register/pay

**Saturday, February 3** - Headshots taken at GMS (if you have a conflict, please let us know ASAP)

**Saturday, February 10** - All Program Advertisements submitted via Google Form & payment



**Rehearsal Schedule** - All rehearsals except for the 2 dress rehearsals will take place at Gettys Middle School and will last from after school until 5:00 PM. **All contestants are required to attend ALL regular rehearsals in addition to the dress rehearsal on March 22.** Transportation must be arranged prior.

- **Thursday, March 7 (3:15-5:00)**
- **Tuesday, March 12 (3:15-5:00)**
- **Thursday, March 14 (3:15-5:00)**
- **Tuesday, March 19 (3:15-5:00)**
- **Thursday, March 21 @EHS (4-6pm) for Miss GMS only**

**Friday, March 22** - Dress Rehearsal at Easley High School - After school until 7:00 PM. (Later for Miss GMS Talent practice) Students may ride the shuttle bus over to Easley HS after school that day.

**Saturday, March 23** - Pageant Day! The Miss GMS Pageant will begin promptly at 7:00 PM. Contestants will be able to arrive tentatively around 5pm. More specifics will be given later. (Miss GMS Luncheon TBA 12 pm)

