



2026 Big Knob Grange Fair Lil' Miss Contest Application

BIG KNOB GRANGE FAIR LIL' MISS APPLICATION ITEM CHECK LIST

- ____ 1. **Application Form**
- ____ 2. **Photo**
- ____ 3. **Biography Form**
- ____ 4. **Signed Understanding of Rules and Regulations**

DATES TO REMEMBER

July 14, 2026

Completed Big Knob Grange Fair Lil' Miss application forms are due to the Big Knob Grange Fair by July 14.

Mail/Hand Deliver and Email Application Packet to:

Mail to: Big Knob Grange Fair, 336 Grange Road Rochester, PA 15074 OR

Call to hand deliver: 724-774-7093, select prompt 6.

Email copy to: queen@bigknobgrangefair.org

TBA - August 2026

The Big Knob Grange Fair Lil' Miss Judging will be held in August (date TBA). Contestants will participate in a interview with the panel of judges, followed by public presentations where they will deliver their introductions and answer an impromptu question on stage in front of the judges and audience. Family and friends are welcome to attend the public portion of the competition. Contestants should wear a dress or dress outfit.

September 1-5, 2026

84th Big Knob Grange Fair. On September 1, the 84th Big Knob Grange Fair Lil' Miss will be crowned at Opening Ceremonies. Contestants are required to wear a "party" dress for the crowning ceremony.



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APPLICATION ITEM #1: Application Form

Name of Contestant: _____ Age:(as of 6/1/2026)_____

Contestant's Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Contestant's Phone #: (_____) _____ Contestant's Email: _____

APPLICATION ITEM #2: Photo

Each Contestant must submit a photo for the competition. Photo should be a headshot. Photo is used for, but not limited to, the competition program, the website, and the fair program. Photo becomes property of Big Knob Grange Fair.

APPLICATION ITEM #4: Biography for Judges
2026 Big Knob Grange Fair Lil’ Miss Contest Biographical Information

Name of Contestant: _____

Parent or Guardian Name (s): _____

Contestant’s Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age (as of 6/1/2026): _____

Name of School: _____ District: _____ Grade: _____

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:

CLUBS, CHURCHES, OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:

MY FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE FAIR IS...AND WHY:

EXPLAIN WHY YOU WANT TO BE CHOSEN AS THE BIG KNOB GRANGE FAIR LIL’ MISS:

APPLICATION ITEM #4: Signed Understanding of Big Knob Grange Fair Lil’ Miss Rules and Expectations

RULES AND EXPECTATIONS FOR ELIGIBILITY:

- 1. Be a female who is a U.S. citizen and a resident of Pennsylvania.
- 2. Be at least 10 years of age and not more than 12 years old by June 1, 2026.
- 3. Never served as a local fair Lil’ Miss.
- 4. Have parent or guardian’s consent.
- 5. Any contestant who has competed in the Big Knob Grange Fair Lil’ Miss Competition and has not been crowned the Big Knob Grange Fair Lil’ Miss is eligible to compete again.
- 6. Be available to participate in events during the five days of the Big Knob Grange Fair.
- 7. Lil’ Miss and a parent will work the Queen table one day of the Big Knob Grange Fair.
- 8. Meet all time commitments and Lil’ Miss obligations set by the Big Knob Grange Fair.
- 9. The winning contestant will reign as Big Knob Grange Fair Lil’ Miss until the crowning of the following year.
- 10. Agree to represent the Big Knob Grange Fair with a smile and grace. Be friendly and enthusiastic!
- 11. Wear appropriate clothing and footwear when wearing the Lil’ Miss crown and/or sash.
- 12. Be available for publicity during her reign, including but not limited to, parades and special Big Knob Grange events.
- 13. Understands that her photo will be taken throughout her reign and used by the Big Knob Grange and Big Knob Grange Fair for promotional purposes. This includes, but is not limited to, social media, print materials, news coverage, and fair-related publications. All are at the discretion of the fair committee.
- 14. Understands that the Lil’ Miss participates in public events where the Big Knob Grange cannot control or prevent others—such as attendees, media outlets, or community members—from taking or sharing photos.

AGREEMENT:

I understand that the information provided on the prior pages will be used in the judging process, and hereby verify that it is truthful and correct. I have read, understand, and am in compliance with the Big Knob Grange Fair Lil’ Miss Program’s rules and expectations as listed above.

Contestant’s Signature

Date

Parent or Guardian’s Signature

Date

The contest consists of four segments with each segment counting towards points:

1. Application

Each contestant will be judged on their application answers, grammar & spelling, and completeness. (25 points)

2. Personal Interview

Each contestant will meet privately with a panel of three judges. The interview is judged on personability, the answers to a variety of questions, appearance/poise, & attitude towards Big Knob Grange Fair. (50 points)

3. Introduction

This segment is conducted in front of guests and three judges. Each contestant will walk on stage and introduce herself to the audience. This introduction should include name, age, and something about herself. The introduction is to be less than one minute. This event is judged on speaking ability, stage presence, poise, appearance, and personability. (25 points)

4. Impromptu Questions

Each contestant will be required to answer the same impromptu question in front of the panel of three judges and audience. It is judged on ability to speak, event information, and enthusiasm. (25 points)