

Contestant's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Age: _____ Birth Date: _____

Combined Court Rules

Baker County Fair & Rodeo (BCFR) And Hells Canyon Jr Rodeo (HCJR) Court Rules and Regulations

To participate as BCFR/HCJR royalty is an honor and privilege and all individuals must adhere to the following rules and regulations:

1. The age limits for contestants are Princess 10-18 years old, Jr Queen 10-14 years old and Sr Queen 15-18 years old. Court members 12 and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to all riding events. Age is determined as of January of the current year. Contestants and Court Members cannot be married.
2. During tryouts, contestants will wear long-sleeved shirts, pants, and a western hat. At all rodeos, parades and events, each court member will wear court outfits for the duration of the event. The Court Advisor must approve all outfits: hats, boots, crown, tack, flowers, chinks, chaps, etc. that will be worn. A budget for each court member will be established and any cost incurred above that budget will be the sole responsibility of the court member and her family. Court outfits will consist of at least 1 cowboy hat, 1 pair boots (no lug soles), 2 shirts, 2 pants, a luncheon outfit if needed, flowers, buckle, and crown. Court attire will not be worn outside of Court appearances.
3. All court members must ride the horse that they try out throughout their reign on the court. An exception to this rule will be if the Court Member has a signed statement from a veterinarian that states that their horse is unable to be ridden because of injury or illness. The other exception would be for the Court Member to petition the board members for the change of mount. The court members must be able to have complete control over their horse during all events and parades without assistance so that accidents will not happen. If at any time, the Court Advisor deems a court member's horse to be unsafe, the Court Advisor will insist the horse be replaced with a more suitable mount.
4. All court members are required to help in all fundraising activities and events sponsored by both organizations. The court will be required to attend 6 events, plus any other Baker County event requested to attend. These events include Eastern Oregon livestock Show, Haines Stampede, Eagle Valley Days Parade, Hells Canyon Junior Rodeo, Miner's Jubilee Parade, Chief Joseph Days, Baker County Fair and Rodeo. Optional events include Union County Fair, Elgin Stampede, Jordan Valley Rodeo, Shriner's Parade, Pendleton Roundup, ICA Finals. These events have priority over other activities such as 4H, FFA, State Fair, School, and Rodeo Sports, etc. If court members are unable to attend the events, they must be excused by the Court Advisor.
5. Court members will be responsible for their own transportation unless other arrangements are made. There is a horse trailer available to use if paperwork is completed. Court Advisors will make the approval of using the horse trailer. While using the horse trailer the two boards will not be held responsible for fuel costs to go to events. While towing the trailer you will not hold anyone responsible for damages that may incur to the trailer or horses. Court members will arrive at each event with a clean, groomed horse, tack and saddle and clean clothes that have been ironed.
6. All Court Members will be required to help in any fundraising activities for the BCFR/HCJR. Court members are responsible for the program ads, which include traveling to Baker City, Richland, Halfway, and the surrounding area. Ads must be sold in person and in western wear attire.

7. All Court members must reside in Baker County.
8. Court members are to be poised, friendly, and courteous always while representing the BCFR/HCJR. Court members are under the direction of the Court Advisors and must do as they are asked without complaint. Court members are not to argue with the chaperons, board members, parents, friends or among themselves. Court members will be poised, friendly and always display appropriate behavior while representing the Fair and Rodeos.
9. Court members must attend Rodeo Court meeting scheduled by the Court Advisor.
10. Court members will not ask business for donations to the court until all ads are sold.
11. Parents and/or Advisors must always be supportive of the BCFR/HCJR Court Members, and other parents.
12. Please cooperate with your advisors and the Boards in the things that are asked of you. This is **YOUR YEAR.....HAVE A GREAT TIME!!!!!!**

REASONS FOR REMOVAL FROM COURT

1. The illegal use or manufacture of harmful drugs, use of alcohol and/or tobacco, shoplifting, serious traffic citations or other lawbreaking offenses, etc.
2. Interference by friends or family members.
3. Reasons determined by the Pine Valley Fair Association and/or the Court Advisor.

Infractions of the Rules and Regulations will be heard by a Review Committee consisting of two PVFA members and two HCJR members (Court Directors) and the Court Advisor.

1. If the offense of illegal use or manufacture for harmful drugs, use of alcohol and/or tobacco, shoplifting, serious traffic citations or other law-breaking offenses, etc. the Review Committee will ask of the Court Member's resignation after consultation.
2. For other infractions, the Review Committee will issue a verbal warning and/or present to the Court Member a written plan of improvement. If compliance and/or improvement is not made to the satisfaction of the Review Committee, the individual may be removed from the court. All decisions by the Review Committee are final. Court removal will result in the loss of all rights and privileges, including issued clothing and necessities that were not paid for by the individual.

My parents and I have read and discussed the above rules, guidelines, and regulations. We understand them and agree to follow them explicitly while I am a Court Member. I also understand that if I should have any questions regarding any deviation from the above rules, guidelines, and regulations, I will discuss them with the Court Advisor.

Signature of the

Contestant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

GUIDELINES FOR RODEO COURT

Once the court has been selected, the following guidelines are expected from the Queen and her Princess(es). The BCFR/HCJR Court is a public relations group. The responsibilities are large. It is with this in mind that the Court is expected to follow the guidelines listed below.

1. When in BCFR/HCJR outfits, appearance, and good grooming are a top priority. This includes such details as attitude, tone of voice, and the look you offer in public. Court members are expected to do as they are asked by the court Advisors without complaint or argument. There will be no public arguments ever at any time with friends, family, or board members, remember you are the image of Baker County, Halfway, Oregon.
2. The Court is to be poised, but not too "stuffy" and above all **FRIENDLY**. For example, introduce yourself to other courts while attending functions.
3. There will be no dates or boyfriends "hanging around" any BCFR/HCJR functions. This includes trips to other events, at the barns or motels. If in doubt of the interpretation of the guideline, check with the court Advisors before the fact.
4. BCFR/HCJR outfits will be worn during all rodeos, parades, events, or functions that you are representing at. The Court Advisors have final say on all outfits, hats, boots, crowns, tack, flowers, chinks, chaps, etc. that will be purchased. Any cost incurred above that limit will be the sole responsibility of the court member and her family. Court attire will not be worn outside of Court appearances. No alterations will be made on any item of your outfits unless approved by the court Advisors.
5. Court members will be required to help in any fundraising activities for the BCFR/HCJR. **COURT MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO AND ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROGRAM ADS. NO EXCEPTIONS.** All ads are to be sold with the court member in western wear. Ads will be sold in person when at all possible. Outside or personal sponsorship is allowed after **ALL** program ads are sold. The court Advisors must approve outside ads.
6. Promptness. You are expected to be at the meeting point on time-not 5 minutes late. It is a good idea to allow 15-20 minutes extra time for unexpected delays when leaving home for appointments.
7. Court members will be responsible for their own transportation unless other arrangements are made. Every effort will be made to get along as a group.
8. Horses and equipment are expected to be properly groomed for each parade or event. Court outfits will be cleaned and ironed. If dry cleaning is necessary, it will be at the expense of the court member.
9. BCFR/HCJR functions will be usually scheduled well in advance, but occasionally you will be asked to make a change or appear on short notice. **BCFR/HCJR activities must have priority over your personal schedule. This will require flexibility on your part!** This includes rodeo, 4-H, FFA, school sports, etc., you have chosen to be here and are expected to have BCFR/HCJR events as your first commitment.
10. Members are expected to furnish their own money for snacks, souvenirs, etc.
11. Parade information is as follows: Queen riding in front followed by her Princess(es). Do not forget to smile, all eyes are on you.
12. Each court member will wear her hair in a style most becoming to a western hat.
13. We would appreciate the parent's attending rodeos and parades that their girls are riding in. If a girl should happen to get hurt, the parent would be there to direct medical care, if needed. If a parent or guardian is not there, a medical release needs to accompany each girl should medical care be deemed necessary.
14. The Boards reserves the right to remove any court member for any undesirable action or behavior that the Boards or Court Advisors feels is not in the best interest of the court. If this should occur a previously chosen alternate will be asked to take on the royalty duties. If the Queen is removed, the Princess will take her spot. If the Princess is removed an alternate will take on her duties.

15. Queen's Luncheon or Breakfast is held during the BCFR and is for the visiting royalty. The parents of the existing court are responsible for furnishing the favors for the visiting royalty, their Advisors, and decorations for the luncheon.

PROBLEMS AND COMPLAINTS – Any problems and/or complaints should be immediately referred to the Advisors first and then to the BCFR/HCJR board members if need be. The board members have the full authority over the court and any decision they make regarding the rules and/or participation is final. Questions should be directed to the Court Advisors.