

GEARY COUNTY 4-H ROYALTY APPLICATION

(Please **type** and **Do Not** add additional pages)

Name _____

Club _____ Age _____ Number of years in 4-H _____

Judges are looking for:

- ❖ ***Achievement in 4-H work, community and school***
- ❖ ***Leadership shown to others***
- ❖ ***Willingness of 4-Her to volunteer to assist with club, county, area, and state events.***

1. What 4-H event, activity, or project has taught you the most and why?

2. What has been your most meaningful 4-H event or accomplishment and why?

3. Choose one Committee on which you have served and explain your service/role in making it successful. Please indicate if it was a Club, County, or State Committee.

4. How can you encourage youth to join 4-H or encourage 4-Hers to continue their involvement?

5. As Fair Royalty, what do you think will be your most important responsibility?

6. On attached pages, please complete a 500 word or less essay on ONE of the following topics:

- ◆ How 4-H Has Made a Difference in my Life
- ◆ My Goals as a 4-H Member (please explain how they have been accomplished or what you plan to do to achieve them)
- ◆ Strengths and Weaknesses of the 4-H Program as I See Them (please explain what you would do to improve the weaknesses while keeping other areas strong)

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF GEARY COUNTY 4-H ROYALTY, ROYAL COURT, & CANDIDATES

- ❖ Candidates must ride in the Sundown Salute Parade in Junction City on July 4 to earn the 10 points given in that category (out of 200 total points).
- ❖ Each candidate must visit one Geary County 4-H Club other than their own, and give a brief speech encouraging members to stay in 4-H by highlighting advantages of being a teen member, benefits of continued membership, etc. Club assignments will be made by the Extension Office and the visit must be verified by club leaders. Candidates must complete this requirement before July 10, 2025 to be eligible for the Royalty contest.
- ❖ Every candidate needs to be present for announcement of the new Royalty at the Public Fashion Revue on Thursday, July 17 at the Geary County 4-H/Senior Citizens Center. Each candidate is strongly encouraged to be available for recognition prior to the Thursday, July 24 Project and Livestock Auction.

Royalty responsibilities are as follows:

- ❖ Coordinate participation and ride in the Sundown Salute Parade in Junction City on July 4 of the following year
- ❖ Present ribbons at various county fair events
- ❖ Help hand out awards at the Annual 4-H Achievement Celebration
- ❖ Give a greeting at the Annual 4-H Achievement Celebration
- ❖ Promote 4-H in some way during National 4-H Week
- ❖ Assist with Royalty candidate interviews and judging the following year
- ❖ Solicit donations and prizes, and purchase items as necessary for the following year's candidates
- ❖ Participate in the following year's crowning ceremony
- ❖ Meet with media as requested to promote the county fair and 4-H in general
- ❖ Visit and speak at 4-H meetings when requested
- ❖ Other duties as requested by Geary County 4-H Youth Development

Two candidates will be selected as Royalty. The top two scorers under the Royalty will be designated as members of the Royal Court. They will be asked to assist with presenting ribbons at various county fair events, and may be requested to perform other duties as a 4-H representative throughout the year.

PLEASE DO NOT APPLY FOR THE ROYALTY CONTEST IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO FULFILL THESE DUTIES.

By signing this form, I accept responsibilities as outlined for candidates, as well as the possible responsibilities as a future Geary County 4-H Royalty member or member of the Royal Court.

Candidate Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature