

Miss Hoover Pageant Contestant Contract

I attest I am a citizen of the United States of America and qualify to be a contestant in the 2011 Miss Hoover pageant based on my (complete one):

Residency in County of _____ in the state of Alabama OR
Registration at _____ College or University OR
Employment at _____ in _____ County in the state of Alabama.

- 1 1. **Rules and regulations.** I agree to participate in the series of events leading up to the final selection of Miss Hoover 2011 and to abide by and be bound by the rules and regulations governing scholarships and other prizes.
- 1 2. **Mandatory events.** If I am selected as Miss Hoover 2011, I agree to make myself available for public appearances required of me by the pageant officials. I will refer all requests for appearance to the pageant director(s). The Miss Hoover Director(s) has approval rights on all appearances made by Miss Hoover. At all public appearances, I will show appreciation to the host/sponsor and write thank-you notes to the contracting parties for all appearances with **10 calendar days** of the event. I agree that I will be PROMPT for all appearances, knowing that there is NEVER an excuse for being late to an engagement. I also agree that I will not take advantage of the host's hospitality. I will never give the impression that I am sick, tired or bored while at an appearance. I will maintain interest, enthusiasm, and sparkle during the entire event.

A. The following is a list of mandatory events that will be attended by Miss Hoover 2011:

- Miss Alabama Top Ten Fashion Show and Luncheon
- Mayor's Prayer Breakfast
- At least one Hoover Area Chamber of Commerce Luncheon
- At least one Hoover City Council meeting
- Hoover Area Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament
- Miss Alabama Contestant Orientation
- Miss Alabama Contestant Workshop
- Miss Alabama Evening Spectacular
- Miss Alabama Pageant Week
- Christmas Tree Lighting
- Other appearances to be determined by the Pageant Director.

B. If, for any reason, I miss a mandatory appearance, I agree that the first such occurrence will result in a loss of 25% of the initial total scholarship winnings awarded to me as Miss Hoover 2011; the second such occurrence will result in the loss of an additional 50% of my initial total scholarship winnings; and the third will result in the loss of the title of Miss Hoover 2011 per item 17 of this contract.

- 1 3. **Healthy lifestyle.** As Miss Hoover, I agree to maintain the weight agreed upon between myself and the pageant director, to abide by an exercise program and maintain healthy eating habits to maintain my physical appearance.
- 1 4. **Information.** I understand the importance of the interview portion of competition and I agree to maintain a reading program to stay informed on current events, public issues and world affairs. I also

agree that I will regularly watch local, state, and national news programs to stay informed on current events, public issues, and world affairs.

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2 **5. Local representation.** I recognize that during my year of service as Miss Hoover, I will represent the Hoover area, The Chamber, the Miss Hoover Organization, and its sponsors. I agree that I will maintain immaculate personal grooming whether on campus, going shopping, or any public appearance.

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1 **6. Agree to hold harmless.** I agree that neither Miss Hoover officials, nor the sponsors of Miss Hoover, nor anyone working for or with this pageant shall be held liable should any accident occur during any rehearsals or during the pageant activities. I agree that neither Miss Hoover officials, nor the sponsors, nor anyone working for or with this pageant shall be held liable should any theft or destruction of my personal property occur during any rehearsals or during the pageant activities, except for the perpetrator of said theft or destruction.

1 **7. Competition process.** I agree that the manner and method of conducting the Miss Hoover Pageant shall be at the sole discretion of the Miss Hoover Organization, the Miss Alabama Pageant, and the Miss America Pageant. I further agree that the time, method and manner of judging the Miss Hoover Pageant, the award, and supervision of the scholarships shall be within the sole discretion of the director of the Miss Hoover Organization. The decision of the persons designated to judge the various events in any and all matters pertaining to the selection of the winners shall be final.

1 **8. Miss Alabama competition approvals.** I understand and agree that the Director of the Miss Hoover Organization will require all clothing for the competition for the 2011 Miss Alabama Pageant and all photos for the 2011 Miss Alabama Pageant be selected by February 28, 2011. I further agree that the Director of the Miss Hoover Pageant have final approval of all clothing: competition, production, and otherwise to be selected for the 2011 Miss Alabama Pageant. I also agree that the Director of the Miss Hoover Pageant have approval rights of the talent selection for the 2011 Miss Alabama Pageant. Approval of said clothing and talent must be received by the contestant prior to March 1, 2011. It is the responsibility of Miss Hoover 2011 to contact the Executive Director of Miss Hoover to obtain said approval. For approval to be granted, the Executive Director must see the clothes and witness the talent performance in person – photographs and/or videos will not suffice.

1 **9. Outside coaching prohibited.** I understand and agree that I will not have any type of coaching or outside help, advice, or influences in preparing for the Miss Alabama Pageant without the approval of the Executive Director of the Miss Hoover Pageant. Failure to abide by this rule will result in forfeiture of the title of Miss Hoover 2011 and all scholarships and prizes awarded to me, as Miss Hoover 2011 and I understand I will not be able to compete as Miss Hoover in the Miss Alabama pageant in June 2011. I understand that all decisions will be made between Director of Miss Hoover and me concerning the Miss Alabama Pageant. Parents and friends are to provide support but will not play a part in the decision making process in preparing for the Miss Alabama Pageant.

1 **10. Photo requirement.** If selected Miss Hoover 2011, I also agree to provide **two** 8 x 10 head shot photos (one for the Chamber and another for the Director) to the Director of the Miss Hoover Pageant prior to receiving my final two scholarship award payments. I have read and understand the scholarship rules and regulations attached to this contract and fully understand that all scholarship awards and use of monies are at the sole discretion of the Miss Hoover Director.

1 **11. Image release.** All photographs, videotapes, motion picture films, or other recordings or reproductions made of me as a contestant in the 2011 Miss Hoover Pageant, either individually or as a member of a group, in connection with the 2011 Pageant, shall become the property of the Miss Hoover pageant, the Miss Alabama Pageant, and the Miss America Organization, and the same may be used and reused by them, or anyone designated by them, for publicity, advertising or any other proper use. I hereby release the Miss Hoover Scholarship Organization to post my photographs and

biographical information on the Miss Hoover website. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to obtain copyright permission for the photo to be used and the Miss Hoover Scholarship Organization and its sponsors will not be held liable for any infringement.

1 12. **Good faith deposit.** I agree to provide a **\$50.00** check payable to the **Miss Hoover Pageant** in a good faith effort to hold my spot as a contestant. I am aware that the \$50.00 check will be returned to me after the on-stage portion of the pageant begins. I also understand that if I am unable to compete, I will forfeit my deposit.

1 13. **Succession clause.** In the event Miss Hoover 2011 is selected as Miss Alabama 2011, there will not be a successor named.

1 14. **Loss of title.** If any of the representations and warranties made by me are false, or if I engage in any of the prohibited acts or activities described in **any paragraph above** during the year of my service, or if I otherwise fail to conduct myself in a manner which, in the opinion of the Miss Hoover Scholarship Organization and/or the Miss Alabama Pageant, does not uphold and maintain the dignity and honor of the title "Miss Hoover", or if I suffer any disability which, in the sole and exclusive judgment of the Director of the Miss Hoover Pageant, may impair my ability to perform the duties expected of me as "Miss Hoover", I understand and agree that the Miss Hoover Pageant may at its exclusive option terminate my right to participate in the 2011 Miss Alabama Pageant. My right to the title of Miss Hoover 2011, and all awards, scholarships and prerequisites pertaining thereto will be terminated. My successor will receive all of the benefits to which I would otherwise have been entitled.

15. **Responsibility.** I understand that I am solely responsible for all aspects of my role as Miss Hoover 2011. I realize that all preparation for participation in the Miss Alabama Pageant, including community service, is to be completed by me personally. I also understand that I am to maintain regular communication with the director of the Miss Hoover Pageant.

16. **Compliance.** I am otherwise eligible for the title of Miss Hoover 2011 by complying with all requirements of the State & Local Contestant Contract set forth by the Miss America Organization including those that pertain to gender, marital status, parental status, good character, criminal record & prior conduct.

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2 17. **Contestant Agreement.** I, _____, a Miss Hoover contestant, have read the agreement and understand all rules, conditions, and regulations set forth by the Miss Hoover Scholarship Organization and if selected Miss Hoover 2011 will be able to follow and fulfill all rules, conditions, and regulations set forth in the Miss Hoover Local Contract. I understand that if found in violation of any part of this contract, the Director has the authority to terminate my right to participate in the 2011 Miss Alabama Pageant. My right to the title of Miss Hoover 2011, and all awards, scholarships and prerequisites pertaining thereto will be terminated. My successor will receive all of the benefits to which I would otherwise have been entitled.

Signature of Contestant

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian
(If under 21 years of age)

Date

Notary Public

Date

My commission expires _____

Miss Hoover Scholarship Rules

If awarded a scholarship in the 2011 Miss Hoover Pageant, I agree to the following:

1. I will provide the Director of the Miss Hoover Pageant with a letter accepting my scholarship no later than one month following the pageant. It should be mailed to P. O. Box 1244, Gardendale, AL 35071.
2. I understand that all scholarship monies won will be paid directly to my college or university. The acceptance letter required in Rule 1 should indicate the bursar's office address of the college or university and should also indicate the student account number of the recipient. In no instance will the money be paid directly to the recipient.
3. I will have my college or university send enrollment verification to the Director of the Miss Hoover Organization at the time I accept my scholarship award.
4. I understand that all scholarship awards to participants, other than the winner, will be available to be dispersed upon receipt of the acceptance letter from the recipient AND receipt of the enrollment verification from the recipient's college or university.
5. The winner's scholarship award(s) will be dispersed on the following schedule upon receipt of the acceptance letter AND receipt of the enrollment verification from the winner's college or university:
 - 50% immediately;
 - 50% following the 2011 Miss Alabama Pageant. **This should be requested by mail as above!**
6. In the event that the winner is named Miss Alabama 2011, no successor will be named.
7. If the winner resigns, in good standing, from the position of Miss Hoover 2011 prior to her appearance in the Miss Alabama pageant, she will forfeit any further scholarship winnings to which she would have been otherwise entitled. Her successor will be entitled to the winner's scholarship amounts not yet dispersed. If the winner resigns the position of Miss Hoover 2011 after representing Hoover in the 2011 Miss Alabama Pageant, there will be no successor named and she will forfeit any remaining scholarship amounts to which she would have been otherwise entitled.
8. If the Directors of the Miss Hoover pageant due to a contract violation remove the winner from the position, she will forfeit all scholarship amounts awarded her by the Miss Hoover Pageant during her tenure as Miss Hoover. Any funds previously awarded her must be repaid to the Miss Hoover Scholarship Fund.

Signature of Contestant

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian

(If contestant is under 21 years of age)

Date

Notary Public

Date

My commission expires _____