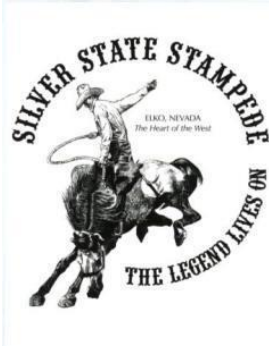




***2020 Silver State Stampede  
Cowgirl Court Contest  
July 11-14, 2019***

***Official Contestant Welcome Packet***



Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director  
Madison Hughes  
(775)-397-0074

April 5, 2019

Re: Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court contestant information

Dear Contestant,

Thank you for your interest in the 2020 Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Contest. We are happy to start the process to our 2020 Cowgirl Court for the Silver State Stampede Rodeo. The Cowgirl Court Contest will be held July 11-14, 2019.

I have enclosed an information packet for you to get familiar with the rules and regulations prior to the competition. Some of the documents will require signatures and notary, please do not overlook these documents. All paperwork must be mailed in, **postmarked no later than June 28, 2019**. Any late entries will require a late fee of \$100. Again, we appreciate your interest in the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Contest and look forward to meeting you.

Please mail applications to:  
Madison Hughes  
714 Palace Pkwy  
Spring Creek, NV, 89815

Feel free to contact us at any time with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,  
Madison Hughes  
Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director  
[madisonhughes833@gmail.com](mailto:madisonhughes833@gmail.com)

**Tentative 2020 Contest Schedule**  
**July 11-14, 2019**

*Schedule subject to change, updated and completed schedules will be sent to contestants closer to competition.*

**Thursday July 11, 2019**

	Location	time
Judges Orientation	Stockman's Showroom	12:30 pm
Contestant orientation/introductions	Stockman's Showroom	1:30 pm
Personality Interviews Jr. Princess Contestants 1st Princess following Jr. Queen following Princess	Stockman's Showroom	2:30 pm
Fashion show preparation	IFA	Directly after interviews

**Friday July 12, 2019**

Horsemanship	Elko County Fairgrounds	8:00 am
Horsemanship Interviews	Stockman's Showroom	1:00 pm
Written test	Stockman's Showroom	In between interviews
Fashion show rehearsal	Stockman's Showroom	Following interviews
Rodeo performance Grand entry Raffle sales	Elko County Fairgrounds	5:30 pm Meet at lemonade stand

**Saturday July 13, 2019**

Contestants arrive for luncheon	Stockman's showroom	10:30 am
Doors open for seating	Stockman's showroom	11:30 am
Luncheon Speeches Modeling Fashion show Impromptu questions	Stockman's showroom	12:00 pm
Rodeo performance Grand entry Raffle sales	Elko County Fairgrounds	5:30 pm Meet at lemonade stand

**Sunday July 14, 2019**

Rodeo performance Grand entry Raffle sales CORONATION	Elko County Fairgrounds	12:30 pm Meet at lemonade stand
New title holder/parent and director meeting	Elko County Fairgrounds	Following rodeo performance Meet at lemonade stand

# Overview of Categories and Requirements

## Queen

- Ages 17-25 as of January 1, 2019
- Application Fee - \$100.00
- Horsemanship
- Impromptu Questions
- Speech/Written Essay Topic: “Impact of the Western Heritage” (memorized and 4 minutes in length)
- Modeling
- Self-Introduction
- Appearance
- Personality
- Ticket Sales
- Photogenic

## Princess

- Ages 13-16 as of January 1, 2018
- Application Fee - \$100.00
- Horsemanship
- Impromptu Questions
- Speech/Written Essay Topic: “Impact of the Western Heritage” (memorized and 3 minutes in length)
- Modeling
- Appearance
- Personality
- Self-Introduction
- Ticket Sales
- photogenic

## Jr. Princess

- Ages 8-12 as January 1, 2018
- Application Fee - \$75.00
- Horsemanship
- Impromptu question
- Speech/Written Essay Topic: “Cowgirls and Horses” (memorized 2 minutes in length)
- Modeling
- Appearance
- Personality
- Self- Introduction
- Ticket Sales
- Photogenic

## **All age categories will be judged on the following:**

*Horsemanship:* flag run, cowgirl wave and riding pattern. (Jr's are excluded from flag run)

*Impromptu questions* by the judges

*One (1) minute contestant introduction:* To be recited during orientation.

*Speech:* written essay memorized and recited.

*Written test:* horsemanship, tack, rodeo, SSS Rodeo and history, PRCA rules, regulations and history

*Modeling:* western attire

*Judges One on One Interview*

- One personality interview
- One horsemanship interview

*Photogenic:* Each contestant will be judged on a headshot of their choice

*Appearance:* Cleanliness, poise, and wardrobe

*Personality:* Conversation ability and overall attitude

*Ticket Sales -*

Raffle Tickets will be given to you upon application arrival (Ticket sales will be finalized by July 11 during contestant orientation)

Money and unsold tickets MUST be returned to Madison Hughes at orientation.

Contestant is required to keep track of all tickets and funds. Any funds and/or tickets that are missing are the responsibility of the contestant to cover costs.

*Lemonade Stand -*

Title holder's and contestants are required to appear at the Cowgirl Court Lemonade Stand and sell Raffle tickets during the SSS Rodeo. These are the Cowgirl Courts biggest fundraisers and the money will be used to assist the Crowned Cowgirl Court with expenses throughout their reign.

# **Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Contest**

## **Wardrobe Guidelines**

*The following are not acceptable at any time throughout the length of the contest - contestants will be docked points in the appearance categories:*

**Shirts with short sleeves, Torn, faded shirts or pants, Fat Baby boots are unacceptable during the horsemanship portion of the contest.**

**The following are guidelines that must be met by all contestants.**

### **Horsemanship**

- White long sleeve
- Black or Blue Wrangler jeans
- Boots
- Hat
- Belt
- Spurs (optional)

### **Interview with Judge**

\*Contestant may wear any western outfit for this portion of the contest.

### ***Acceptable attire***

- Hat
- Boots
- Belt
- Accessories
- Wrangler jeans
- Long sleeve shirt
- Jacket
- Skirt
- Colored jeans

## Luncheon

Contestants will need to have two (2) outfits for the ceremony.

**Outfit #1** will be worn for the fashion forward modeling portion and impromptu question.

This outfit will be provided by IFA of Elko, NV.

This is meant to be a fun fashion forward outfit! The IFA staff will assist you in picking out an outfit suitable for this portion.

**Outfit #2** is the speeches and modeling portion of the luncheon. *This outfit should be your most formal.*

### ***Acceptable attire***

- Long sleeve shirt
- Colored Wrangler jeans
- Skirt
- Jacket
- Western dress with long sleeves
- Belt
- Hat
- Boots
- Accessories
- Gauchos

### **Be prepared and presentable, as photos will be taken throughout the contest**

Parents and family: Please feel free to bring your cameras to photograph the girls. But, please be respectful of contestants and other photographers' space when doing so.

**Friends and family will be expected to purchase luncheon tickets prior to the contest at a cost of \$15 per ticket.**

Luncheon tickets will be sent with contestant package after receiving contestant application

## 2019-20 Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court

### Judging/Scoring

*Contestants will draw numbers at the Orientation meeting to determine order placement during the contest. Contestants will follow this order throughout the weekend.*

#### **Interview with Judge**

This will be a one on one interview with each contestant.

#### **Written Test**

A 20 question written test will be given to ages 13-25. A 10 question test will be given to ages 8-12. Each question will be worth (2) points. Scoring will be on the number of questions answered correctly.

**Example:** contestant misses 1 question; her score will be 38 points.

Written test will include information on the Silver State Stampede Rodeo website, General equine knowledge, Current events, PRCA events, PRCA origination, Horse tack, Miss Rodeo America, and Miss Rodeo Nevada programs.

[www.silverstatestampede.com](http://www.silverstatestampede.com)

#### **Horsemanship**

Horsemanship will be judged on the contestant's ability to ride her horse through demonstration of the following categories:

**Pattern Work** – Riding pattern may include: trotting, stops, right/left turns, using correct leads, pivots, backing up and loping horse. Only one (1) try per contestant will be allowed.

**Flag run-** Princess and Queen Contestants will be judged on how they carry and present an arena flag. Contestants will complete one run around the arena with flag. Show your personality!

**Cowgirl Wave** – Confident ride, personality comes out through her smile and wave while maintaining control of her horse.



***Horsemanship Impromptu Questions*** – Judges may ask you questions regarding the sport of rodeo or your horses tack and Equine Science.

***Tack Inspection*** – Each contestant will have their tack inspected for points during the horsemanship section.

***\*Judges will be looking for the following items during your horsemanship competition:***

- Body Posture and Position – seat, hand and leg position.
- Completeness of Pattern – solid stops, pivots, lead changes. Maintaining control of horse while cantering/trotting.
- Flag Run - Contestant will be judged on how well she maintains her horse and riding stance.

### **Speech /Essay Delivery**

#### **Queen**

***Age group 17-24:*** Essay topic “Impact of the Western Heritage” (memorized and 4 minutes in length) Contestants will be judged on content of essay and delivery of the essay to audience/judges.

#### **Princess**

***Age group 13-16:*** Essay topic “Impact of the Western Heritage” (memorized and 3 minutes in length) Contestants will be judged on content of essay and delivery of the essay to audience/judges.

#### **Jr. Princess**

***Age Group 8-12:*** Essay Topic “Cowgirls and Horses” (memorized and 2 minutes in length) Contestants will be judged on content of essay and delivery of the essay to audience/judges.

### **Modeling**

Contestant will model two outfits, one formal, and one fashion forward. Please bring a detailed description of your formal outfit on a 3x5 card on the day of the contest. The fashion forward portion of the modeling will involve modeling an outfit of choice from fashion show sponsors. Contestants must pick outfit in store Thursday, July 11, following personality interviews with the director.

### **Introduction Speeches**

Each contestant will be giving a brief introduction speech about themselves at orientation. Contestants should include their name, age, parents name, where they are from and some fun facts about themselves. Maximum amount allowed will be 1 minute in length. This is a judged portion.

## **Impromptu Questions at the Luncheon**

Judges will ask contestants questions regarding the history of the Silver State Stampede Rodeo, Old West Bronc riding and PRCA events (information may be found online). As well as Current events and personality questions.

## **Ticket Sales**

Contestants will be given Raffle tickets to sell before the competition. Ticket sales are not required but are VERY much suggested. In the event of a tie between contestants, the ticket sales will determine the title holder. There is also a **CASH AWARD** for the contestant with the highest ticket sales!

\*Raffle ticket money is a major fundraiser for the Cowgirl Court

## **Scoring**

- *Horsemanship* – Combined total of 125 points.
  - Flag Run – 20 points
  - Pattern – 55 points
  - Impromptu Questions – 15 points
  - Tack Inspection – 15 points
  - Queen Wave – 20 points
- *One on one Interview* – Total of 25 points for each (Horsemanship and Personality)
- *Introduction Speech* – Total of 25 points
- *Speech/Essay* – Total of 30 points
- *Modeling* – Total of 20 points
- *Impromptu Questions* – 20 points
- *Photogenic* - 20 points
- *Appearance* - 20 points
- *Personality* - 20 points

**\*Horsemanship award will be given to the overall highest scoring rider of all 3 age categories combined\***

# Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court and Contest 2020

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## Release Disclosures and Warnings

### INTRODUCTION:

*The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court and Contest* is an event organized and operated as a nonprofit organization, the *Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court* (hereafter referred to as “SSSCC”). It is a multiple day event involving numerous activities both pre-contest and post-contest events as well as the contest itself. Your participation in this event is a voluntary activity and is subject to the rules and regulations of SSSCC.

Many of the activities in which you will be involved are dangerous, hazardous and involve certain risks. AS A CONDITION TO YOUR PARTICIPATION in the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court and Contest, you must carefully review this document, acknowledge your understanding thereof, and agree to assume the risks of all activities involved in the contest by waiving all claims you might otherwise have for any injuries or damages you may suffer, even if caused by the negligence of SSSCC, its employees, agents, board members, insurers, Silver State Stampede Rodeo directors, committee members or volunteers.

This document shall disclose the type and nature of many of the risks and types of injuries you may occur as a result of participating in the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court and Contest.

### ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS:

Although many of the activities you will be asked to be involved in seem safe, there are many dangers and risks you may encounter which are too numerous to completely list. The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court and contest is a relatively high profile, competitive and an exciting event. It involves several long days in a row with schedules starting before a.m. (7:00 a.m.) and not completed until late in the evening.

Aside from the interviews, rehearsals, receptions lunches, dinners, tours, performances and travel between the scheduled locations, there is also a horsemanship competition on horses, in which patterns will be known in advance. Much of the time, large crowds will be present and may attempt unpredictable and aggressive behavior to you or your competitors. In addition, the stress of competition may have effect on you and your co-competitors, all of which may subject you to dangerous circumstances.

## WARNING:

Participation in any contest may likely involve injury or risks of some type to either yourself or a competitor. Such injury can include direct physical and possibly crippling injury to one's body and the possibility of emotional injury experience due to stress, as a result of witnessing injury to another or as a result of experiencing pain and or injury to your own body. The severity of such injury may range from minor muscle strains, cuts, scrapes to catastrophic injury, such as complete paralysis, or even death. Since injuries can impair your general physical and mental health, your appearances and hinder your future ability to earn a living, to engage in other business, social and recreational activities and generally to enjoy life.

The entire event generally, and the horsemanship competition in particular, as well as the traveling between the various sites, are all inherently dangerous. As in all competitions, participation in the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court and contest involves many RISKS OF SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH. Because it is a large, multiple-day competition involving long days, traveling between numerous sites, crowds and horse riding. This event, more so than other events, involves risk of severe injury to virtually every part of the human anatomy. These risks of injury include but are not limited to, the possibility of death, neck and spinal injuries which can result in complete or partial paralysis; brain damage, eye, dental, hearing and other head injuries; injury to the nerves', blood vessels, internal or reproductive organs; and injury to the bones, joints, ligaments, muscles, tendons, and other aspects of the musculoskeletal system. Participants are also susceptible to death or injury resulting from such cause as head injuries, internal injuries, heart failure, asthmatic attack on sickle cell crisis, congenital brain defects, and from natural causes of other congenital problems. In addition, there is the possibility of suffering emotional distress or psychological injury as a result of participating in this Contest.

Common injuries sustained as a result of participation include knee injuries, strains and contusions of the thigh, calf, shoulder, arm and nerve impairments. Injuries can result from correct or incorrect performances of techniques or other moves used either in horse riding or merely walking. These injuries can occur from misfit, worn or improper equipment. The use of transportation provided or arranged by SSSCC to and from the various scheduled events and other related activities also involve risk of injury or death.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS WARNING is to bring to your attention the existence of potential dangers associated with participation. There is, however, always the risk of other types of injuries or the risk of injury or death from other causes not specified herein.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS WARNING is also to aid you in making an informed decision as to whether you should participate in the *Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court and Contest* and, as a condition of such participation YOU MUST SIGN ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE AGREEMENT. In addition, the purpose of this warning is to make you aware that as a participant it is your responsibility to learn about or inquire of SSSCC staff, volunteers, or other knowledgeable persons about any concerns that you may have at any time regarding your safety of others during this contest.

# Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court and Contest

2020

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## Release Disclosures and Warnings

**I hereby certify that I have read the Release Disclosures and Warnings, completely understand the risks involved in participation of the event and ASSUME THE RISK OF INJURY OR DEATH ASSOCIATED WITH THIS EVENT.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant

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Guardian signature (if under the age of 18 years old)

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Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Madison Hughes  
Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director

# **Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Contract 2020**

*This contract must be executed and postmarked in the mail no later than July 5, 2019.  
Applications that are not completed or mailed in time will be subject to a late entry fee of \$100.  
Applications and contracts must be mailed to:*

*Madison Hughes  
714 Palace Pkwy  
Spring Creek, NV, 89815*

This contract is in effect immediately for all contestants. The contestants are representing the Cowgirl Court and are associated with the SSS Rodeo as of signing and submitting contract and will be held accountable for violating rules stated in this Contract. The SSS Cowgirl Court Contract is in effect through the contestant probation period, which begins at the SSS Cowgirl Court Contest Orientation meeting until the close of the Contest. This Contract continues to be in effect for all titleholders for 2020 reining term.

*\*\*All rules in The Cowgirl Court Contract that apply to titleholders also apply to contestants. All rules that apply to contestants, apply to titleholders.*

*\*\*“Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court (members)” is defined as contestants and/or titleholders of the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court.*

*\*\*“Public” is defined as any place where the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court might be seen.*

The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director will/might need verification upon request that the contestant chosen is:

1. Contestant is a natural born female citizen of the United State of America and resides in the State of Nevada.
2. Contestant has never been married, entered into a marriage contract that was annulled, nor the mother of a child any time before competition.
3. Contestant is between the ages of 8 and not over the age of 25 as of January 1, 2020.
4. Contestant is of good moral character and has never been convicted of a crime.
5. Contestant has not authorized any person, firm, or corporation to use her name, photograph, picture, present or future title in connection with any endorsement or advertisement of any commercial product or service, that she is not under contract or obligation to any person, firm or corporation with respect to the title of Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court titleholder herein or further, titleholders must not make any commitment to have any legal obligation which would prevent or hinder her compliance with the terms and covenants of this Agreement.

6. The Application fee is non-refundable, in the event a contestant withdraws from the contest for any reason.

NOW, THEREFORE, all contestants and titleholders of the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court for 2019-20 do hereby agree as follows:

The rules and regulations of the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court are hereby incorporated and set forth in full.

## **Behavior**

1. During the year as a titleholder for the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court, she will not be married nor become pregnant.

2. As a Cowgirl Court contestant/titleholder, she shall conduct herself in a manner which shall maintain the dignity of the SSS Rodeo Association and the Cowgirl Court. This includes but is not limited to item numbers 3-7 as follows:

3. Verbal and physical altercations are punishable by disqualification or revocation of title. **If this should occur, all prizes buckle and crown will have to be remitted to Madison Hughes, Director, within four (4) days of the incident and revocation of the title. Scholarships are forfeited. If items are lost or damaged the title holder is responsible for cost of Repair/ replacement Contestants will be disqualified and any attire given by the Cowgirl Court Director will be returned as previously stated.**

4. The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court contestant/titleholder will not engage in online social forums (i.e. Facebook, Myspace) in an inappropriate, derogatory, or disrespectful manner. Respect will be shown by all members of the Cowgirl Court to the Director, SSS Rodeo Committee/volunteers and the public at all times. Every contestant/titleholder has the right to express any concerns or violations by fellow contestants/titleholders, and should be expressed to the Director without feeling threatened by other members. Violation may result in disqualification or revoking of titles. **If this should occur, all prizes buckle and crown will have to be remitted to Madison Hughes, Director, within four (4) days of the incident and revocation of the title. Scholarships are forfeited. If items are lost or damaged the title holder is responsible for cost of Repair/ replacement Contestants will be disqualified and any attire given by the Cowgirl Court Director will be returned as previously stated.**

5. The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court will not participate in using foul language, drinking and smoking while under the capacity of the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court. **Underage drinking will not be tolerated.** Being associated with anyone who is under the influence during any appearances designated as a SSS Cowgirl Court function, will not be tolerated. Even being suspected of drinking may result in contestant disqualification or revocation of a titleholder's title. **Basically, do not put yourself in a position in which you would have to explain your actions in order to defend your title or your right to compete in the Cowgirl Court contest. The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director does not have any tolerance when it comes to underage drinking or drinking, even if contestant/titleholder is of age. The SSS Rodeo Board has the right to dismiss any contestant/titleholder that breaks this policy. . If this should occur, all prizes buckle and crown will**

**have to be remitted to Madison Hughes, Director, within four (4) days of the incident and revocation of the title. Scholarships are forfeited. If items are lost or damaged the title holder is responsible for cost of Repair/ replacement Contestants will be disqualified and any attire given by the Cowgirl Court Director will be returned as previously stated.**

6. Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court contestant/titleholder agrees to hold harmless the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director, SSS Rodeo Board, other titleholders, parents and agents for and from all liability that may arise from misconduct during her time as Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court contestant/titleholder. Misconduct while under Contract, including misconduct at school and/or school functions, may result in disqualification from Contest or revocation of her title. **. If this should occur, all prizes buckle and crown will have to be remitted to Madison Hughes, Director, within four (4) days of the incident and revocation of the title. Scholarships are forfeited. If items are lost or damaged the title holder is responsible for cost of Repair/ replacement Contestants will be disqualified and any attire given by the Cowgirl Court Director will be returned as previously stated.**

7. The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court members must be on time, courteous and properly attired as outlined herein: hat, crown, banner, buckle, and boots must be worn for any and all public appearances, unless the director advises otherwise.

8. If a title is revoked, the scholarship will be revoked.

9. Any previous title holders that have had titles revoked will be prohibited from applying to run for any future Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Contests.

10. PDA will not be tolerated for contestants or title holders during appearances or any time while representing the Silver State Stampede and the SSSCC. **If this should occur, all prizes buckle and crown will have to be remitted to Madison Hughes, Director, within four (4) days of the incident and revocation of the title. Scholarships are forfeited. If items are lost or damaged the title holder is responsible for cost of Repair/ replacement Contestants will be disqualified and any attire given by the Cowgirl Court Director will be returned as previously stated.**

## **Events/Appearances**

1. The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court contestants/titleholders will represent at the Silver State Stampede Rodeo. This is mandatory.

**2. The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director shall act as the sole agent for all bookings and calendaring all events for the Cowgirl Court of 2020.** The Cowgirl Court agrees to make themselves available for such appearances, interviews, endorsements, testimonials, filming, taping, photographic sessions and such other events as determined by the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director. **Attendance is mandatory to all events scheduled in the agenda for the Cowgirl Court 2020. All previous obligations to becoming a 2020 Cowgirl Court contestant/titleholder that might interfere with Cowgirl Court appearances and responsibilities (i.e. school commitments) will be given to the Director in writing. The Cowgirl Court contestant/titleholder MUST have a**



responsibility at said previous obligations/commitments or absence from the Cowgirl Court appearances may result in being disqualified from contest or having the title revoked from titleholder. A maximum of 2 events can be missed due to other obligations. If this should occur, all prizes buckle and crown will have to be remitted to Madison Hughes, Director, within four (4) days of the incident and revocation of the title. Scholarships are forfeited. If items are lost or damaged the title holder is responsible for cost of Repair/ replacement Contestants will be disqualified and any attire given by the Cowgirl Court Director will be returned as previously stated.

3. Should a Cowgirl Court contestant/titleholder ask permission, from the Director, to be excused from a scheduled event/appearance and is *denied permission*, and *does not attend scheduled event/appearance, her title will be revoked*. . If this should occur, all prizes buckle and crown will have to be remitted to Madison Hughes, Director, within four (4) days of the incident and revocation of the title. Scholarships are forfeited. If items are lost or damaged the title holder is responsible for cost of Repair/ replacement Contestants will be disqualified and any attire given by the Cowgirl Court Director will be returned as previously stated.

4. For any activity not already approved and scheduled by the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director, Cowgirl Court members *must request* permission from the Director as far in advance as possible. If permission is *not* granted, the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court may *not* represent the Silver State Stampede Rodeo Association at that activity. If a contestant/titleholder of the Cowgirl Court represents the Silver State Stampede Rodeo Association at an activity without permission from the Director, *her title will be revoked and the contestant will be disqualified*. . If this should occur, all prizes buckle and crown will have to be remitted to Madison Hughes, Director, within four (4) days of the incident and revocation of the title. Scholarships are forfeited. If items are lost or damaged the title holder is responsible for cost of Repair/ replacement Contestants will be disqualified and any attire given by the Cowgirl Court Director will be returned as previously stated.

5. Traveling expenses will be the responsibility of the contestants/titleholders for events. Unless otherwise discussed.

6. The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court titleholders will be responsible for the following:

**Horse** – One that is safe and will not cause harm to herself or others. Horse must be washed and cleaned for any public appearances. Capable of flag carrying, Parades, Rodeos, etc.

**Tack** – Clean and safe when making any public appearances. All tack will be approved prior to rodeos. Leather tack is the only tack acceptable, no bright colors.

**Western attire** -Should be clean and in good shape for all public appearances. Pants must be starched and shirt ironed. Banner, crown and hat should be clean and in good shape for all public appearances. Boots must be polished before any appearance.

**\*Inspection by chaperon or Director will be done prior to every public appearance. Standards will be held to the highest at all public appearances.**

7. The Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director shall have the right to designate a chaperone and traveling companion when one is needed for activities related to SSSCC participation in events. There may be times when the Cowgirl Court Director might not be able to attend a Cowgirl Court event/appearance. If this should be the case a responsible parent will be assigned to chaperone the event/appearance.

8. It is the responsibility of the contestants/ contestant's guardian and title holder's/title holder's guardian to make sure contestants and title holders are to their events. The director is not responsible for travel to and from appearances.

9. If title holders/ contestants are late to an event more than twice, ***her title will be revoked and the contestant will be disqualified.*** . **If this should occur, all prizes buckle and crown will have to be remitted to Madison Hughes, Director, within four (4) days of the incident and revocation of the title. Scholarships are forfeited. If items are lost or damaged the title holder is responsible for cost of Repair/ replacement Contestants will be disqualified and any attire given by the Cowgirl Court Director will be returned as previously stated.**

10. Director is to receive a monthly update email on the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month from each title holder, pertaining to the upcoming months schedule (this includes school, extracurricular, SSSCC related happenings), and also an update on the prior months events.

11. All appearances not scheduled by the Director **MUST** be approved through the director.

12. Title holders are required to attend **MINIMUM 1** Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court related appearance each month that has been scheduled and/or approved by the Director.

## **Awards and Scholarships**

1. Each Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Titleholder will receive a SSS revolving crown. These items belong to the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Committee and are intended to be passed down to the new titleholders. Failure to return these previously stated items under any circumstance will result in, the title holder being held responsible for the cost and replacement of the item/items. The items must be rendered by the date of the next Silver State Stampede Queen Contest.

2. Each Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Titleholder will receive:

SSS Buckle

Banner

Accessories for the SSS Rodeo and Appearances

3. Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Titleholders will also receive scholarships. These Scholarships will be held in a trust fund by the SSS Board of Directors, as the SSS Board donates the money for Scholarship Prizes.

4. Scholarships will not be awarded until the titleholder has completed her year of reign in full.

***\*\*All titleholders agree to fulfill their duties as the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court and provide enrollment documentation in education courses before scholarships are released to schools of choice.***

Scholarship Funds will be awarded in the following manner:

Queen - \$1000.00 total scholarship money

Princess - \$500.00 total scholarship money.

JR. Princess - \$250.00 total scholarship money.

## **Media**

1. Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director shall have the exclusive and complete control of, title to and the right of copyright to all photographs, recordings, pictures, TV appearances and utilization of the trademark of "Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court" and logo under the terms of this contract and shall retain all rights.

2. Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court shall not permit any other person, or firm, or corporation without written consent of Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director to advertise, or make known, directly or indirectly, by paid advertisement, press notice, or otherwise, that Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court will appear other than at officially designated functions arranged by Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director.

## Conclusion

It is expressly understood and agreed that in the event the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court contestant/titleholder does not perform under any part of this contract, the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director and SSS Rodeo Board have the right to disqualify a contestant from the Cowgirl Court Contest and default any Cowgirl Court titleholder. . **If this should occur, all prizes buckle and crown will have to be remitted to Madison Hughes, Director, within four (4) days of the incident and revocation of the title. Scholarships are forfeited. If items are lost or damaged the title holder is responsible for cost of Repair/ replacement Contestants will be disqualified and any attire given by the Cowgirl Court Director will be returned as previously stated.**

In the event of the Queen's resignation, whether voluntary or upon the request of the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Director and SSS Rodeo Board, the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Princess shall be her successor. No other titles will be changed or replaced.

# Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Contract 2019-20

DATED: This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Guardian (if under the age of 18 years of age)

This contract is NULL and VOID if not signed below.  
SILVER STATE STAMPEDE COWGIRL COURT DIRECTOR

Approved by: Madison Hughes

\_\_\_\_\_ On \_\_\_\_\_ 2019



Print information on application.

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parents Email \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Pant size: \_\_\_\_\_ Blouse size: \_\_\_\_\_ Boot size: \_\_\_\_\_ Hat size: \_\_\_\_\_

**Education: (High School, College, and Special Training)**

**Scholastic Ambitions and Life Ambitions:**

**Experience with Rodeo's, Horses, Ranching, Etc:**

**Hobbies/Interests:**

**Scholastic Honors and other Accomplishments:**

By my signature on this application, I hereby certify that I have read the regulations governing the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court. My conduct as a contestant will be in strict accordance with the regulations established by the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Committee, as stated in the official Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Contest Rules and Regulations.

I acknowledge these regulations to prevail throughout the contest, activities and functions; and that said regulations pertain to all persons related to my appearance in the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Contest.

I hereby grant permission to the Cowgirl Court Committee to verify any information contained on my application.

I hereby release title, claim and right to photographs and/or public relations material involving me to the Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Committee for the use in the contest/rodeo promotion. Photographs will not be returned to contestant.

That, I hereby certify that I have never been married, had a marriage annulled or have had a child out of wedlock. I have never been nor am I pregnant now.

Failure in my part to disclose this information to the Cowgirl Court Committee will automatically disqualify me from participation in this contest.

Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court Committee will contact every contestant and parents prior to the actual contest to review all Rules and Regulations pertaining to the Contest and Cowgirl Court responsibilities during the 2020 reign.

**For Questions and information contact**

**Madison Hughes**  
**(775)-397-0074**

If contestant is under the age of 18, parent or guardian must sign application.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contestant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*Subscribed and sworn before me, a notary of public, within the county of \_\_\_\_\_ State*

*Of \_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_.*

*My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Notary Public*

## **2019 Contestant Application Overview**

Please mail your application to:

Madison Hughes  
714 Palace Pkwy  
Spring Creek, NV, 89815

Please include:

- Signed Release Disclosures and Warnings document
- Signed understanding of the contract document
- Signed and notarized application
- Application fee
- Specify how many luncheon tickets will be purchased
- Luncheon ticket funds (\$15 per ticket)
  - Children under the age of 5 will not require a ticket for entrance to the luncheon
- 8x10 Headshot

**\*All checks are to be made payable to “Silver State Stampede Cowgirl Court”**