

# **2020 Royalty Contest**

## **PENNSYLVANIA STATE RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION YOUTH ROYALTY CONTEST**

### **PURPOSE**

To acknowledge excellence and dedication among PaSRBA youth members in attendance at the State Convention and to allow these members to demonstrate a working knowledge of the rabbit and cavy industry. To explore critical thinking skills, demonstrate personal initiative and provide problem-solving, decision-making and goal-setting activities for these youth members. Royalty winners are expected to represent PASRBA for the year. Please see the expectations section.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicant must be a principal, associate, or affiliate member of the PaSRBA as on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. Youth from adjacent states who DO NOT have their own royalty program can participate in the Royalty Program and serve on the Court. Applicants cannot hold another state rabbit/cavy organization title. The age requirements and divisions are as follows: (age is determined as the youth's age on the last day of the State Convention)

King/ Queen ages 15-18

Duke/ Duchess ages 12-14

Prince/Princess ages 9-11

Lord/Lady ages 5-8

### **RULES**

1. Applicants agree to be available and complete all events scheduled. Failure to do so may result in disqualification. You may need to find another youth to put your rabbits/cavies on the table.
2. Up to two commodity representatives will be chosen to represent PaSRBA at the PA Farm Show. These commodity representatives will be the King and Queen. If either of the King or Queen is not from Pennsylvania the next highest scoring applicant will represent the organization at the PA Farm Show.
3. Application must be submitted online at [www.pasrba.org](http://www.pasrba.org). They must be submitted in .PDF format. Applications not submitted on time and/or in the wrong format will have points deducted. The program cutepdfwriter is available for free online and will work with any program.
4. Submit one document in .PDF with up to five pages, printed on one side only, answering questions 1-15, page six answering question 16 and page seven answering the Promotional Involvement form. Include information needed to complete the answers. Pictures are allowed in the applications. Multiple document submissions will have points deducted.
5. While at the State Convention, contestants are the responsibility of their parents or chaperones. The chaperone must be of legal age.
6. The sum of the scores, out of 700 points, from the application, promotional involvement, written test, interview, breed ID, showmanship/presentation, and judging contests will determine the winners. King and Queen contestants will give a three to five minute promotional talk instead of showmanship. Talks are to be performed by the contestant without help except for special circumstances with prior approval. Points will be deducted for talks too short or too long. The rest of the candidates must do showmanship.
7. Winners will be announced at the PaSRBA Banquet at the State Convention. Make plans to attend.
8. All royalty candidates must submit a 4x6 portrait oriented .JPG photograph. Please do not include the photo in your application document. The online entry page has a separate place to submit a photo which will be used in the Discovery Newsletter.

**Applications must be submitted by midnight Jan 1, 2020.**

## **PaSRBA Youth Royalty Expectations**

### **King and Queen**

- Promote PaSRBA – always be aware that you are representing PaSRBA (avoid PDA when wearing your crown, sash, or cap),
- Attend at least 5 shows during the year wearing your crown and sash or hat and apron.
- PaSRBA Convention:
  - Attend the following year to help with the contest (if not running) or crown your successor.
  - Make and post all signs on Friday evening before convention starts – information will be provided
- If attending ARBA National Convention, assume the role of PA Team Captain
- Farm Show:
  - Attend PA Farm Show and participate in all Commodity Representative activities
    - ie. Governors reception, Opening Ceremony, interviews
  - Give talks/demonstrations in the rabbit area
  - Help at the petting tables as much as possible
  - Participate in the Meat Pen Auction
- Attend PaSRBA Board meetings as the Youth representative
- Send pictures and information to the PaSRBA Newsletter about what you are doing.
- Help at shows you attend
- Be available, if possible, to represent the rabbit and cavy industry at events throughout the state when requested (ex. Farm to Table Day)
- At formal functions dress appropriately with your sash and crown (No jeans, sweatpants, t shirts)
- Encourage other youth to get involved with rabbits and PaSRBA
- Have fun!!

### **Duke, Duchess, Prince, Princess, Lord, Lady**

- Promote PaSRBA – always be aware that you are representing PaSRBA (avoid PDA when wearing your crown and sash or hat and apron)
- Attend at least 5 shows during the year wearing your crown and sash or hat and apron.
- Farm Show:
  - Give talks/demonstrations in the rabbit area
  - Help in the rabbit area as much as possible
- Send pictures, drawings and information to the PaSRBA Newsletter Director about what you are doing.
- Help at shows you attend.
- Be available, if possible, to represent the rabbit and cavy industry at events throughout the state when requested (ex. Farm to Table Day)
- At formal functions dress appropriately with your sash and crown (No jeans, sweatpants, t shirts)
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## Questions

Fill in the information requested after you have copied each question. Submit one document in .PDF with up to five pages, printed on one side only, answering questions 1-15, page six answering question 16 and page seven answering the Promotional Involvement form. On the top of each page have your name.

### Pages 1-5

1. When did you join the PaSRBA and how many consecutive years have you belonged?
2. How and when did you get started in your project? Include names of those who have helped you the most.
3. List your memberships in rabbit &/or cavy related organizations. Include the name of each club (no abbreviations) and the number of years you have been a member.
4. What offices or committees have you served on in local, state, or national rabbit or cavy clubs?
5. How have you been a leader in your project?
6. Name the breed(s) you raise and how many animals you have in each breed. Include breed(s) you have raised in the past and why you no longer raise them.
7. What have you done to promote your breed(s) and make others aware of your project?
8. Describe the records you keep and how you keep them.
9. What are your goals for this project?
10. Describe the housing & equipment for your animals, be very specific.
11. What specifically do you do to help with the care and upkeep of your project?
12. List outstanding awards and achievements your animals have earned. Pick the two most important to you from your list and describe the circumstances and why it is important to you.
13. List outstanding awards and achievements you have earned in this project. Pick the two most important to you from your list and describe the circumstances and why it is important to you.
14. How do you feel your project will help you in your future endeavors?
15. What would you like us to know that has not been asked?

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16. If you win this award, a short biography will be printed in The Discovery. Write what you would like to be printed in 300 to 600 words.

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PaSRBA and Promotional Involvement form

### **PaSRBA and Promotional Involvement**

One of the main roles of royalty in Pennsylvania is promoting rabbit and cavy activities to both, people already involved and to the general public. Keeping PaSRBA alive and growing requires bringing in new members and keeping our current ones enthusiastic. As part of the royalty score, you will receive points for activities in the past year that contribute to that goal. We realize that you can't be everywhere, so there are many different areas you can earn points and you don't have to attend everything to get the maximum points in this section.

#### PaSRBA events

##### PA Farm Show

Participation at the 2020 show is being counted.

Please email times you were there to [gregorysk94@hotmail.com](mailto:gregorysk94@hotmail.com) by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

##### 2019 State Convention-

Hours spent setting up or cleaning up \_\_\_\_\_

Hours spent writing or helping run the show \_\_\_\_\_ where? \_\_\_\_\_

##### Youth to 2019 ARBA-

Were you on a team? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you compete in royalty, judging, breed ID, or showmanship? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you submit management, achievement or education? \_\_\_\_\_

##### Meetings-

How many PaSRBA board meetings did you attend this year? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an officer in a PaSRBA sanctioned club? \_\_\_\_\_ Which one? \_\_\_\_\_

#### General Promotion

##### Rabbit Schools-

School attended \_\_\_\_\_

Name of presentations given \_\_\_\_\_

Areas assisted with \_\_\_\_\_

##### Media coverage-

Were you in any newspaper, radio or TV about rabbits or cavies? \_\_\_\_\_

When? \_\_\_\_\_ What station or paper? \_\_\_\_\_

##### Dress-

Royalty- How many shows/events did you wear your sash or apron? \_\_\_\_\_

Non- Royalty- How many shows/events did you wear a PaSRBA merchandise? \_\_\_\_\_

##### Teaching classes (outside of rabbit schools)-

Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Topic and length of lesson \_\_\_\_\_

##### General Events Promoting Rabbits or Cavies- (Ex: AG Progress Days, Farm City Days, Ag Fairs, etc)

Event name \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose at event \_\_\_\_\_

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Was there anything else you did to promote PaSRBA in the past year that was not covered already? If so, please explain:

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Your name \_\_\_\_\_