



**MISS RODEO SANDHILLS PRINCESS
RULES AND REGULATIONS
APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 18, 2026
CONTEST DATES: OCTOBER 23 & 24, 2026**

1. The contest is open to young ladies ages 9 to 13.
(age calculated as of 10/23/2026)
2. Contest is open statewide – you **MUST** be a resident of Texas for at least six months prior to the contest.
3. All contestants will be responsible for a **\$150** entry fee. Fees can be paid via the following:
 - Venmo: @Angelia-Bryant – memo: name and division
 - Credit / Debit Card: call (432) 366-3951
 - Check: mail to 218 W 46th Street, Odessa, TX, 79764
4. All winners will be responsible for their own transportation at all times during the rodeo. Rodeo dates for 2027 are January 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16. Miss Rodeo SandHills Princess is required to attend weekend performances. Weekday performances are up to the discretion of parents/guardians, as school is a priority. A mandatory rehearsal will be held on the evening of January 6, time TBD.
5. All **winners** will be required to sell \$750 worth of program ad sales for the 2027 SandHills Rodeo Program. Details will be discussed after coronation during contract signing.
6. All winners are expected to compete in the Miss Rodeo Texas contest in June 2027. If for any reason the organization does not feel you are adequately prepared, you can be denied the privilege to compete at Miss Rodeo Texas under the title of Miss Rodeo SandHills Princess. If you are unable to compete due to a personal reason or conflict, this can be discussed with the directors at a later date.

7. All contestants are required to submit one 5x7 **BUST SHOT** (bust shot means head and shoulders) color photograph with a solid background in “dress” rodeo attire. (NO PROPS, CROWNS, OR BANNERS ALLOWED) A release form from your photographer is required to be emailed along with your application. Any photographs received that do not meet the above specifications will be excluded from the Photogenic judging category. The release allows SandHills Stock Show & Rodeo to reproduce all photographs for their use for print and social media needs. A physical copy of the photograph will also need to be brought to orientation on October 23, 2026. On the back of the photo, please label with your name, address, age, and division. Example:

Name	Princess
Age	
Address	

8. All contestants will compete in each event dressed in full rodeo attire. Please see the Miss Rodeo SandHills Wardrobe Requirements Document.

9. All entry forms must be submitted via the Google Form Link by midnight, October 18, 2026. Any additional documents that could not be attached in the form should also be emailed by midnight, October 18, 2026 to missrodeosandhills@gmail.com. Late entries will not be accepted. Please bring to orientation a physical 5x7 photo. Please see the Miss Rodeo SandHills submission checklist to be sure that you have included everything.

10. Any unsportsmanlike or dishonest conduct by a contestant or relatives will result in immediate disqualification from the contest.

11. Judged categories include:

A. **Horsemanship:** Horsemanship competition will be done by submitting a video that is no longer than 3 ½ minutes in length. This video will be sent via email following your Google Form Application submission. Please also bring a backup USB with the video to orientation on October 23, 2026 in case of technical difficulties. The video should include the contestant standing on the ground holding her horse while she introduces herself, the

pattern, and a presentation run. You do not have to tape the contestant getting on the horse. It is suggested that the pattern be filmed on the outside rail at the midway point of the arena where judges normally sit/stand. Princess contestants will still be required to attend the horsemanship portion of the competition on October 23, 2026 to support the Miss and Teen contestants. This will also prepare them for what will be expected of them in later years. Princess contestants will also answer horsemanship questions during this time. Competition will begin at 6:30 p.m. Please be there at 6:00 p.m.

- B. **Speech:** Princess contestants will give a one-minute speech about "RODEO".
- C. **Modeling:** Contestants will be required to model one outfit. It will be the outfit worn for your speech. The same outfit will be worn for coronation. Please see the Miss Rodeo SandHills Wardrobe Requirements Document.
- D. **Appearance:** This will be a cumulative score determined throughout the contest by the judges.
- E. **Personality:** This will be a cumulative score determined throughout the contest by the judges.
- F. **Interview:** Judges will interview each contestant for up to 10 minutes. Questions may include but are not limited to current events, PRCA rodeo, rodeo standings, personal goals, opinions, horsemanship, etc.
- G. **Impromptu Questions:** Each contestant will be asked two impromptu questions. One will be serious, and one will be fun.
- H. **Photogenic:** This will be judged in part by your compliance with the rules set forth in #7 listed above. A reproduction release from your photographer is required when you turn in your application.
- I. **Congeniality:** This will be voted on by each contestant in your age division. Each girl will choose one other contestant that they feel deserves the award.

J. **Test:** There will be a test given at orientation.

12. Contestants are required to attend orientation before horsemanship on October 23, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. More information regarding location will be sent out after applications are received.

13. It would be to your benefit to keep a copy of these rules for reference. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please feel free to contact Angie Bryant at (432) 238-5707, or email Maddison Smith at missrodeosandhills@gmail.com.

Release of Liability

I, the undersigned, being a non-paid contestant, applicant, and participating in the Miss Rodeo SandHills, Miss Rodeo SandHills Teen or Miss Rodeo SandHills Princess Pageant, which is sponsored by the SandHills Stock Show & Rodeo and recognizing that said sponsor is a non-profit organization; and recognizing the non-profit nature of the Pageant, and as an express consideration for being allowed to enter the contest, hereby release said SandHills Stock Show & Rodeo from any and all claims or demands for liability for accidents or any other liabilities and makes said agreement for herself, her heirs, and executors, and states that she is of lawful age and legally entitled to make this complete release or if she is a teen or princess contestant, one parent is to sign the release.

All activities associated with the Miss Rodeo SandHills, Miss Rodeo SandHills Teen or Miss Rodeo SandHills Princess Pageant officially end on the final day of the pageant and after that time, SandHills Stock Show & Rodeo, or any of their representatives, shall have no responsibility, whatsoever, in directing or overseeing any of the activities or affairs of any of the contestants.

Contestant: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

Subscribed and sworn to me, a Notary Public, with and for the County of _____, This the _____ day of 2026

Signature of Notary:

My term expires: _____

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Miss Rodeo SandHills Photo Release and Social Media Policy Form

The SandHills Stock Show and Rodeo, Miss Rodeo SandHills occasionally uses photographs of contestant, title holders, committee members, and events in its publications and on its website and Facebook page. Please sign this release form to grant the library permission to use your and/or your child's photo.

I hereby grant permission to the Miss Rodeo SandHills committee to use my photograph on its website, Facebook page, or in other official printed publications without further consideration, and I acknowledge the committee's right to crop or treat the photograph at its discretion. I also acknowledge that the committee may choose not to use my photo at this time but may do so at its own discretion later. The committee reserves the right to discontinue use of photos without notice.

I also understand that once my image is posted on the Miss Rodeo SandHills website or Facebook page, the image can be downloaded. I release the Miss Rodeo SandHills committee from any expectation of confidentiality and agree to indemnify and hold harmless from any claims the following:

- Miss Rodeo SandHills committee
- SandHills Stock Show and Rodeo

I also understand that only photos, information, and comments that promote the Miss Rodeo SandHills pageant will be posted to the Miss Rodeo SandHills Facebook group and the SandHills Stock Show & Rodeo Facebook page. I understand that negative comments/criticism, profane language, or photos that are not in keeping with the standards of court members representing the SandHills Stock Show and Rodeo are not acceptable and will be deleted.

NAME:

DATE:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

SIGNATURE:

For persons under the age of 18, the permission of a parent or guardian is required on this Photo Release Form.

I hereby grant permission to the Miss Rodeo Sandhills committee to use the photograph of my child as outlined above.

NAME OF CHILD UNDER 18: _____

- ☐ Please identify by first name only
- ☐ Please do not identify by name

Signature of parent or legal guardian: _____ Date: _____