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Dear Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Candidate:

Please complete the questionnaire and return it no later than March 1st, 2025. We also offer an online application form that can be submitted electronically and can be found at www.bavarianfestival.org/application.

Being a Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess is not only an honor and a privilege but also carries considerable responsibility. You will be representing the people of Frankenmuth at many functions throughout the state during the entire year following coronation in June. This will include appearances during the weekend of the Bavarian Festival and events such as the National Cherry Festival in Traverse City, Holland Tulip Festival and many others. In addition, events in Frankenmuth, such as Oktoberfest and Zehnder's Snowfest are among the most important.

Most of the activities are scheduled for weekends and are considered mandatory. On the other hand, any additions to this schedule are not but are highly recommended. Please make sure you consult with your parent(s) or legal guardian(s) before committing to the application process, as they will play a large role in your activities, specifically but not limited to transporting the Court to events around the state and towing the float. There will be a meeting scheduled following the Tea for the three chosen women and their parent(s) or legal guardian(s).

The Civic Events Council and the Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival and Princess Program also recognize the time and dedication the Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Court gives during their reign. This time is especially important because you will be attending school. This is why educational scholarships are offered for all three court members.

The preliminary judging segment of this competition is called the Princess Tea and will be held on Saturday, March 15th, 2025 in the Swiss Rooms at the Bavarian Inn Restaurant at 10:00 am. The judges will use this opportunity to become acquainted with the candidates before selecting the three finalists through an interview process. In addition, you will also be judged on the basis of your personality, poise, professional appearance, and knowledge of Frankenmuth.



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The final judging portion takes place the weekend before the Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival during the Princess Ball. There will be three, third party dignitaries from the surrounding areas that form the judge's panel. The candidates will continue to be judged on the basis of personality, poise, professional appearance, and knowledge of Frankenmuth.

We thank you in advance for your time and commitment and wish you the best!

Sincerely,

Darcy Nickless Berry
Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Program Chairperson

Juli Burns
Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Program Co-Chairperson



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Procedure of Entry:

Electronic applications can be found at www.bavarianfestival.org/application and must be submitted by Saturday, March 1st, 2025 at 11:59p.m or can be printed and mailed to the Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Coordinators at:
P.O. Box 333
Frankenmuth, MI 48734
or emailed to Frankenmuthbavarianprincess@gmail.com, but must be postmarked by March 1st, 2025.

Method of Selection:

1. *Application Review:* The Frankenmuth Bavarian Princess Program Committee will review each application to ensure qualifications. Contact will be made after each application is received to confirm the time and location of the Princess Tea and to answer any questions.
2. *Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Court Selection Tea:* The Tea will be held on Saturday March 15th, 2025 in the Swiss Rooms at Bavarian Inn Restaurant. During this time, all candidates who have submitted a completed application and qualify will be interviewed by the judges. Following the interview process, all judges will meet and the three finalists will be announced at the Tea. The three finalists will then be required to meet that weekend, typically the day of the Tea, for a photo session at Rummel Studios. This photo will be published in the Frankenmuth Newspaper and in other promotional media. Measurements for dirndls will also be taken on this date, and the finalists will meet at Bavarian Clothing and Imports of Frankenmuth to try on dirndls.
3. *Final Judging:* Final judging will take place the weekend before the Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival. A panel of three judges who are removed from the festival will complete a second interview with the three finalists. This interview will determine the Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess and two court members.



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4. *Coronation Celebration:* The three finalists will attend the Princess Ball held the Saturday before the Bavarian Festival. Following the final judging that evening, there will be dinner and a program prior to announcing the new Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess.

2025 FRANKENMUTH BAVARIAN FESTIVAL PRINCESS APPLICATION
QUESTIONNAIRE

Name:

Address:

Phone Number (Mobile): _____

(Home): _____

E-Mail: _____

Birth Date: _____

Have you lived within the Frankenmuth township, city, or school district for at least three (3) years or attended Frankenmuth High School for at least three (3) years, having received your high school diploma by June 12, 2025?

Yes No



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Will you be attending an institution of higher learning in the Fall of 2025?

Yes No

If yes, which institution will you be attending?

What is your anticipated graduation year? -----

What is your intended major, minor, and/or area of study?

What profession do you plan to enter?

Do you currently have a job? Yes No

If so, who is your employer, and would your job interfere with your time on the Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Court?

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name(s):



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Parent/Legal Guardian's Email(s):

Parent/Legal Guardian's Phone Number(s):

Do you or your parent(s)/legal guardian(s) have a vehicle capable of towing the float? If not, this DOES NOT disqualify you from applying. Please Continue. Yes No

For official announcements, please list how you would like your parent(s)/legal guardian(s) names to be listed:

How did you find out about the Bavarian Princess Program and the application process?

- Family and Friends
- Newspaper
- School
- Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Etc.)
- The Bavarian Festival Website



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o Other: _____

Please list organizations and extracurricular activities in which you participated in high school:

Please list organizations and extracurricular activities in which you participated in college:

Please list community activities in which you participate:

The logo features the word "Princess" in a large, dark blue, cursive font. To its right, "Bavarian FESTIVAL" is written in a smaller, blue, serif font, with a small yellow and blue floral emblem between the words. Below "Princess" and "Bavarian FESTIVAL", the word "PROGRAM" is written in a blue, sans-serif font.

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Hobbies:

Two References of Recommendation not related to you or living in your household. Please include their contact information.



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In a short essay, answer the following questions. (Use a separate sheet of paper and attach to the rest of the application.)

- Why would you like to be the Bavarian Princess and what do you expect if you make the Court?
- What qualities do you possess that would make you a good Bavarian Princess, and how could you use those qualities as the Princess?
- What are your future aspirations and how do you think being the Bavarian Princess would help you achieve them?
- What would you like to accomplish during your reign as the Frankenmuth Bavarian Princess or Court, if selected?
- What are five words that describe you?

By submitting this application, you are certifying that all the information contained in this application is true and complete. You have also read and understood the following rules, regulations, and policies associated with the Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Program. You recognize that any falsification, misrepresentation, or omission may result in immediate dismissal from or refusal of participation.

I have read, understood, and signed the:

- o Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Program Official Candidate Contract
- o Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Program Code of Conduct



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- o Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Commitment Policy
- o Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Social Media Policy
- o Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival Princess Parent Code of Conduct

Signature of Candidate Date

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian Date

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