

Miss/Mr. Little Wee Pop Age 0-2 years

Competition Rules and Guidelines

Festival Theme

Poppin' to the Music

Date:

Saturday, August 2, 2025

Location

Marion Harding High School Cafetorium

Registration

8:15 – 8:45 am Pageant begins at 9:00am

Pageant Contact

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Entry Deadline

All applications must be received or postmarked by Monday July 14, 2025. To mail entries: Marion Popcorn Festival, PO Box 1101, Marion, Oh 43302



Categories

Formalwear: 50% The formalwear portion of the pageant is designed for the judges to assess the contestant's appearance, personality, and stage presence. Music will be provided.

Theme/Popcorn wear: 50% The theme/popcorn wear portion of the pageant is designed to promote the festival theme and/or popcorn. The judges will be assessing the originality and use of festival theme/popcorn of the costume as well as the contestant's stage presence and audience appeal. Stand- alone props may be used, these can only be brought on stage by one person in a timely manner.

If no music is provided for Popcorn wear, no music will be played during the competition.

ALL PROPS MUST BE TAKEN AFTER THE PAGEANT!!!!

Photogenic: This is an optional category. Bring a current 8x10 photo of your child (with first name only on the back) to registration on August 3. This photo can be color or black and white. This does not have to be a professionally taken photograph.

Methods of payment: The \$50 entry fee and optional photogenic fees (1 photo/\$10, 2 photos/\$15, and 3 photos/\$20) must be paid in full by the entry deadline. No personal checks will be accepted. Money orders, cashier's checks or cash will be accepted. Credit cards will also be accepted. Fees apply. Please contact Danielle Caskey.

Court size is at the discretion of The Marion Popcorn Festival Pageant Committee.

Contestant Name		
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Miss/Mr. Little Wee Pop Application and Contract

I. Introduction

- 1. In Seeking to participate in the Miss/Mr Little Wee Pop Pageant, each contestant's parents must understand and accept the requirements of the program and rules for contestants
- 2. By Signing this application and contract and submitting it to the Marion Popcorn Festival's Wee Pop pageant, the contestant's legal guardian represents and agrees that all facts and representations contained in this contract and application and attachments are true and accurate.
- 3. The contestant is in good health and can participate in the competition without causing a health risk to myself or anyone else.
- 4. I authorize the use of my child's name, likeness, photographs, and pictures for advertising, news, and promotional uses.
- 5. I understand that if this application was received via electronic mail, I may not make any alterations to this official document. I will be bound by the rules and regulations as stated in the official Wee Pop document in its entirety.

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- i. Obligations and Agreements All photographs, videotapes, audio tapes, motion picture films, or other recordings or reproductions made of my child, whether "still" or "live", and my name, likeness, photographs, pictures, physical depiction, title, and endorsements rights as a contestant, participant, or title holder remain the property of the Marion Popcorn Festival Scholarship Program in perpetuity.
- ii. Entry Fees All applicants are required to pay a \$50.00 entry fee to participate in the Little Wee Pop Pageant. The optional photogenic competition is \$10 for one photo / \$15 for two photos / \$20 for three photos. The fee is due and payable with the complete application packet and must be postmarked on or before July 14, 2025 for application to participate in the program. I understand that if my child is to receive the title or place as a runner up in the competition that the facts of eligibility will continue to remain effective until the 2025 pageant date I agree to comply with all terms and conditions of this application and contract in its entirety, together with all attachments.

Parent/Guardian Signature and Date:	

Miss/Mr. Little Wee Pop

- 1. The Marion Popcorn Festival Wee Pop Pageant Committee designs, plans, and facilitates the rules and competition for Wee Pop competition.
- 2. Three to four people will be assigned to judge the competition based on the rules of competition as defined by the Miss/Mr. Little Wee Pop Pageant committee.
- 3. Two people will be assigned to audit the judge's scores.
- 4. The decision of the judges is final. Any questions concerning judging will be directed to the judge's chairperson.
- 5. Only one person is allowed backstage with the contestant. One parent will be given an ID badge to be worn while backstage with your child. This badge can be given to another adult to go backstage but at no time can there be more than one person per contestant in the dressing room or on stage.
- The Marion Popcorn Festival's Wee Pop pageant committee, the Marion Popcorn Festival and Marion City Schools are not responsible for accidents or injuries, nor are they responsible for lost or stolen personal items.
- 7. Poor attitudes or discipline problems will not be tolerated.
- 8. No disruptive behavior by the contestants or family members will be tolerated.
- 9. The title holder and her court will have their crowns and sashes available to wear at all events.
- 10. No flash still photography will be permitted during the competition. If someone is videotaping, no lightning will be allowed and must be set to not interrupt the official program or block the view of any audience members. NO BACKSTAGE PHOTOGRAPHY WILL BE PERMITTED. There will be time allotted at the end of the competition for photos of the contestants. All press has first priority to photographs immediately following the competition due to publishing deadlines.
- 11. Miss/Mr. Little Wee Pop and their court are required to attend popcorn festival events, as stated in the contract and application. The title holder and court are required to attend and participate in the Marion Popcorn Festival parade, and the entertainment events held on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings of the Marion Popcorn Festival weekend.

I understand that failure to follow the rules may result in my child's disqualification from the	he
competition.	

Parent/Guardian Signature and Date:		
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Contestant Name:
Miss / Mr. Little Wee Pop (circle one) Contestant Checklist
Applications must be postmarked on or before Monday, July 14, 2025. All materials required in the application must be received at that time.
Documents:Information SheetApplication and ContractCompetition and general appearance rulesCompetition rules and guidelinesEntry fee \$50.00Photogenic entry (\$10/1, \$15/2, \$20/3) Bring photo day of pageant NO PERSONAL CHECKS
ACCEPTED We accept cash or cashier's check/money order payable to: The Marion Popcorn Festival We also accept credit cards (fees apply)
The Marion Popcorn Festival Pageant Application Miss/Mr Little Wee Pop Pageant
Full Name of contestant:
Age in years:
Birth Date
Father's name:
Mother's name:
Home Address:
Home City, State, Zip:
Home Phone:
Cell Phone:
Email Address:
I understand by signing below that I am applying for my child to be a contestant in the Marion Popcorn Festival Miss/Mr Little Wee Pop Pageant. I agree to make my child available for all Marion Popcorn Festival activities and events. This includes, but is not limited to, the Popcorn Festival parade, entertainment events, and sports events.
I agree to allow the Marion Popcorn Festival Miss/Mr Little Wee Pop Pageant to act for me and my child's interests in making commitments for appearances and scheduling events.

Date: _____

Signature: