

London Strawberry Festival
Royalty Covenant & Parental Participation Agreement

I. Standards of Excellence & Ethical Conduct

- **Ambassadorship:** Royalty members serve as the official face of the London Strawberry Festival. A high standard of moral conduct, professional etiquette, and poised behavior is required at all times.
- **Behavioral Expectations:** Displays of unprofessionalism—including public arguments, pouting, or emotional outbursts—are grounds for immediate dismissal from an event without attendance credit.
- **Conflict Resolution:** All grievances must be addressed privately with the Royalty Director. Publicly disparaging the program, festival, or board members, or circumventing the Director by contacting OFEA officials, will result in immediate forfeiture of title.
- **Substance Policy:** Use of alcohol, tobacco, or nicotine (including vaping) by royalty is strictly prohibited at all times during their reign. Adults must also refrain from these substances while escorting royalty or representing the festival.

II. Scholarship & Awards (Queen’s Division)

The London Strawberry Festival operates as a scholarship program to reward dedication and service.

- **Miss London Strawberry Queen:** \$300 Academic Scholarship + \$200 Attire Voucher.
- **Queen’s Attendants:** \$100 Attire Voucher each.
- **Disbursement Policy:** Vouchers issued only upon receipt of a notarized contract are valid exclusively for purchases at **Graceful Gowns**.
- . The cash scholarship is disbursed exclusively at the conclusion of a successfully completed reign.
Any contractual infraction or title relinquishment results in the total forfeiture of all awards.

III. Mandatory Participation & Travel

The following travel requirements are designed to ensure consistent representation of the festival at OFEA and local events.

Title	Total Events	Luncheon/Parade Combos
Queen & Attendants	15	10 (OFEA Sanctioned)
Jr. Queen & Attendants	10	7
Young Miss & Attendants	10	5
Little Miss & Attendants	7	4
Miss Shortcake	All Local	West Jeff Ox Roast Combo

- **Mandatory Local Appearances:** All court members must attend the full 3-day London Strawberry Festival, 4th of July Parade, Plain City Steam Threshers, West Jefferson Ox Roast, Jazz & Rib Fest, Pumpkin Palooza, and Old-Fashioned Christmas.
- **Engagement:** Royalty are expected to actively socialize and network with visiting courts during parade lineups.

IV. Logistical & Operational Requirements

- **Communication:** Participation in GroupMe and the private Facebook page is mandatory. Members must formally acknowledge all directives from the Director or Assistant.
- **Transportation Standards:** Drivers must be 21+, licensed, and insured. For safety and unity, all court members must travel together in a single vehicle during parades.
- **Signage & Branding:** Royalty are required to utilize official magnetic signs. No commercially wrapped vehicles are permitted in parades unless the owner is a registered Festival Sponsor.
- **Float Stewardship:** Parents facilitate the decoration, setup, and teardown of the parade float for designated events.

V. Appearance & Dress Code

- **Official Uniform:** Formal gowns, crowns, and sashes must be maintained in pristine condition. No plunging necklines, exposed midsections, or slits exceeding 3 inches above the knee are permitted.
- **Winter Requirements:** By October, Queens must possess a red sweater and Attendants a white sweater, paired with black dress pants.
- **Insignia Integrity:** The sash must remain free of signatures on the exterior. Pins must represent events personally attended during the current reign. Lost or damaged regalia must be replaced at the family's expense within 15 days. No pins are permitted on the front of the sash.

VI. Term Completion & Financial Obligations

- **Family Contribution:** Parents are required to serve in the royalty information booth, and during pageant/luncheon events.
- **Fundraising:** Participation is mandatory for the Old-Fashioned Christmas Silent Auction, the May Fundraiser, and the Royalty Luncheon Basket Fundraiser.
- **Sanctions for Non-Completion:** Failure to complete the reign (voluntary or involuntary) results in a **ban** for the individual and their immediate family from all festival competitions and volunteer roles.

Acknowledgement & Notarization

We, the undersigned, have read and solemnly agree to adhere to the standards outlined in this Covenant. We understand that the Royalty Director and Board of Directors reserve the right to revoke a title should these standards not be met.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Royalty Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Royalty Director Signature: _____ Date: _____

Notary Public Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Affix Seal with Expiration Date)