

Amzie, Zuri, Allison, Ryleigh and Claire have done an excellent job of representing Leesburg and promoting pride in our community. They have been busy making appearances at many local events, parades, and special city functions. The girls received recognition from the Chief of Police, Leesburg Fire Department, the City of Leesburg and the Leesburg Chamber of Commerce. We work closely with the City of Leesburg in regard to community activities. The focus of our program is to stress the importance of volunteer community service work. Their year of service is an educational experience of all aspects of our city. Leesburg is very proud of these outstanding young ladies!!

**The 40th Annual Miss Leesburg Scholarship Pageant will be held
Saturday, September 12, 2026 at Leesburg High School Auditorium.**

There are five age divisions: Girls must compete in group as of age on day of pageant. But you are allowed to move up one age division if you choose to. Example: If you are in the Tiny Miss and feel you look older, you may move up to Little Miss.

If you have any questions on this rule, please call to clarify before submitting your application.

**Tiny Miss.....4 - 6 Little Miss7 - 9 Junior Miss.....10 - 12
Teen Miss13 - 15 Miss Leesburg16 - 18**



The entry fee is \$75.00. Payment info on application.

The pageant is a fundraiser for the scholarship fund.

IMPORTANT - PLEASE NOTE - Due to our busy schedule of events and the commitment to the title, the Miss Leesburg ruling is that our title holders will not be allowed to compete in any other pageants during their year reign. Should you be chosen to represent the City of Leesburg and our program, your full commitment and focus is to be placed on the duties that accompany the honor of being crowned the winner. Winners will represent Leesburg at many scheduled events. The year will be busy and special recognition will be given to the winners. **PLEASE NOTE ..** The winner of the Miss Leesburg title must agree to a full year of appearances and special events. You must be available to fulfill your duties as the City Representative.

Contestants must live or attend school in Leesburg, Yalaha, Lady Lake, Fruitland Park, The Villages Charter School or The Villages Elementary or in updated 15 mile radius. **Check the map on our website and FB to see if you are eligible.**

If you are home schooled and live out of our designated areas but you participate in sports at one of our qualifying schools, you may enter. Entry fee sponsors may be family, friends or a business and will be announced while the contestant is on stage. Tickets for the pageant are \$10.00 and may be purchased at the door. **Tiny, Little and Junior** divisions will be held at **10:30 am** and the **Teen and Miss** at **2:30 pm**. Judging will be based on poise, personality, overall appearance, and communication skills. There will be a winner and 2 runner ups in each age division. Winners will receive a crown, trophy, banner and flowers. If there are 8 or more in an age group, there will be a winner and 4 runner ups.

We are very proud of our Scholarship Program. Miss Leesburg will receive a **\$5,000** cash scholarship paid to the college of her choice. The first runner up to Miss Leesburg will receive a **\$2,000** cash scholarship and second runner up will receive **\$1,000**. Teen Miss Leesburg will receive a **\$1,000** scholarship. The winners of Tiny, Little and Junior will receive **\$250**, which will be awarded at the end of their year of service. See back of application for additional scholarships.

Tiny Miss and Little Miss - wear a long or short dress and will be asked simple questions on stage by the MC.

Junior Miss - wear a long or short dress and will give a brief 30-second (will be timed) introduction giving your name, age, school, etc. The three winners of the morning pageant will be introduced at the afternoon pageant.

Teen Miss and Miss competition will consist of three parts: **Interview, Casual Wear and Gown**. Interviews will be held on Saturday morning before the pageant. Casual Wear will be of your choice - shorts, slacks, etc. Teen Miss contestants will give a brief 30-second (will be timed) introduction giving your name, school, age, etc. during Casual Wear. Miss Contestants will be asked an on-stage question during Gown competition. Gown should be long for Teen and Miss. Attire for Opening Number - **Teen and Miss** contestants **ONLY** will be black bottoms (example: capris, pants) and a white top with **Gold and/or Silver** accessories. **Attire must meet School Board dress code regulations.**

ENTRY DEADLINE - September 5. Rehearsal is Tuesday, September 8 for Tiny, Little and Junior. Teen and Miss Rehearsal is Wednesday, 9. Rehearsals for both nights are at **6 pm**. and will be held at LHS Auditorium. It is mandatory that you attend rehearsals, **especially the Teen and Miss.**

NOTE TO PARENTS - The purpose of the Miss Leesburg Scholarship Program is to select local girls to represent our hometown. We wish to instill in each girl an appreciation of her own special qualities and abilities, which will lead to increased self-confidence. Please do not put so much emphasis on winning that you and your daughter do not enjoy the pageant. Please do not put undue pressure on your child. Judges are carefully selected and will be totally impartial and qualified. All decisions of the judges are final. Scores are not given out.