

Maryland Yacht Club Princess Program

The princess for the Maryland yacht club's duties will include (but are not be limited to) attendance and participation in the following:

- Compete in the Queen of the Chesapeake Pageant.
- Fundraising events to benefit her charity
- Commodores Ball (Princess will give a speech at MYC)
- MYC Opening weekend (Princess will give a speech)
- Monthly newsletter submissions
- General Meeting Princess updates (4 times a YEAR)
- MYC Change of Watch (Princess will give a speech)
- Princess Crowning (Princess will give a speech)
- Participate in MYC Club events including auxiliary kids parties, Friday night dinners, and land cruises
- Queen of the Chesapeake events orientations
- Participate in Princess bonding events
- Sister Yacht Clubs' Openings
- Crowning of fellow Princesses

The new incoming Princess for the Maryland Yacht Club will be determined in July following the Queen of the Chesapeake Pageant. The existing princess will continue her term until the crowning of the new princess in August or September. This will give the incoming princess time to choose a Charity. The most senior Princess-in-Waiting is given the priority in succeeding the current Princess; however, the more junior Princess(s)-in-Waiting may request a run-off to jump the line. This request must be submitted in writing to the Princess Committee no later than June 30th.

In the March Kedge, a request/flyer will extend an invitation to all eligible young ladies interested in being a part of the MYC Princess program to submit an application for consideration no later than April 30th.

Princess in Waiting:

- Should be a relative of an MYC Member, such as daughter, step-daughter, or granddaughter.
- Should be at least 14 years old, and must be 15 by the next Pageant date.
- Should be the next girl or young lady in line to be Princess. If there is more than one girl, then they will both be recognized as Princess-in-Waiting.
- Can and should shadow the current MYC Princess to get a full understanding of what will be expected when they become Princess.
- Shall attend the club's Opening Ceremony, be a part of the Court.
- The girl's will not prepare or give speeches in an official capacity.

Junior Princess:

- Should be a relative of an MYC Member, such as daughter, step-daughter, or granddaughter.
- Should be under the age of 14 years old.
- Girls will not attend sister club's Balls or Openings.
- They will participate in MYC's Opening.
- Will assist in the Auxiliary's childrens parties.
- The girl's will not prepare or give speeches in an official capacity.
- Girls do not represent their clubs in any official capacity.

Run-Off:

- The Chairman will appoint three judges, who are not from MYC or other yacht clubs, and put together three or four questions that the judges will ask the contestants.
- Each candidate must submit a Request for Run-off Application by July 1st.

Princess Attire:

- The Princess should wear her tiara and sash at all club events.
- White ball gown with sash and crown for MYC Commodores Ball, MYC Opening weekend, Queen of the Chesapeake Pageant, and her Crowning.
- Long formal gown with sash and crown for sister club's Commodore Balls (not white)
- Short formal dress (homecoming) for sister club's opening weekends - sash and crown, legging and jeans are not acceptable, dresses should be at least fingertip length and should not be see through
- Sister club's Princess Crowning
- If a Princess is invited to an event and is uncertain of dress protocol, she should reach out to the MYC First Lady for guidance.

Princess Etiquette:

- No gum chewing when representing MYC.
- Be respectful during the entire ceremony, especially during the Pledge of Allegiance, the prayer, and the National Anthem
- Refrain from cell-phone use, Princesses should never be on their cell-phones during ceremonies at MYC or other yacht clubs.
- Include Princess in Waiting and all Junior Princesses in club activities. She should not pair off with individuals or form cliques. Be there to support one another.
- When being escorted by her Commodore or the ranking officer of the club, a Princess is on the left. The princess is on the right when the officer's mate is on the left. If she is being escorted by someone not representing her club, she is on the right. The Queen of the Chesapeake is always on the right. The only possible exception is during the Pageant.

Code of Conduct:

- Respect the rights, dignity, and worth of all regardless of ability, race, appearance, cultural background, religious beliefs, or sexual identity.
- Refrain from any and all conduct that is obscene, indecent, or offensive. This includes but is not limited to the use of foul language or racial/sectarian references. This includes in person interactions as well as, but is not limited to, social media, messaging (electronic or otherwise), as well as traditional communications.
- Respect opponents and practice good sportsmanship such as abstaining from cheating or making false accusations.
- Refrain from behavior that is threatening, abusive, retaliatory, or is disruptive or obstructive.
- Refrain from bullying in any form. This includes through social media. Bullying will not be tolerated.
- Refrain from providing false statements or misleading information, including by omission, to or about the MYC Princess program, or its participants.
- Never drink alcohol. Drinking alcohol is PROHIBITED for all people under the age of 21. If you are offered alcohol by anyone, it should be reported immediately!
- Never Smoke. The smoking of cigarettes, JUULing, the use of other e-cigarettes, marijuana or any other drug that is not prescribed is NOT PERMITTED.
- Refrain from committing any offense that is prohibited by local, state, or federal law.

Clubs Financial Responsibility:

- MYC will provide the Princess with a one-time sash and crown
- Princess flag

- Princess jacket
- The Princess's entry to the Commodores Balls will be paid for through MYC, Princess's entry to the MYC Commodore's Ball will be paid for when accompanied by the Princess's parents.
- Princess-in-Waiting entry to the MYC Commodores Ball will be paid for when accompanied by the Princess-in-Waiting's parents.
- The Board will vote yearly on a budget for the Princess's personal expenses, for which the Princess will need to submit in writing all reimbursement requests with receipts, not to exceed her budget.

Request for Run-Off Application

I, _____ respectfully request that Maryland Yacht Club hold a run-off election for the MYC Princess. Below is my Biography and Achievements to be considered in the judging criteria.

Achievements:

<p>School Honors:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> National Honor Society</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Academic Awards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Citizenship Awards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Honor Awards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p>	<p>Sports and Activities:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>School Organizations:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Band</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Choir</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Drama</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Student Government</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yearbook</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Best Buddies</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SADD</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p>
<p>Community Activities:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Charity Fundraising</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Charity Activities</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Civic Activism</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p>	<p>Youth Organizations:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Girl Scouts of America</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4H</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p>	<p>Awards:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Science Awards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Awards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Presidential Awards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Citations</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p>

To the best of my knowledge, all of the information above is true and accurate.

Signed By: _____ on _____