



DELTA HOT TAMALES PAGEANT  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2018  
10:00 A.M.

Contestant Application

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE (day of pageant): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark the division in which you will be competing:

- Miss Washington County Hospitality (ages 18-24)
- Miss Hot Tamale Queen (ages 16-18)
- Miss Hot Tamale Teen (ages 13-15)
- Miss Hot Tamale Pre-Teen (ages 10-12)
- Miss Hot Tamale Sweetheart (ages 7-9)
- Miss Hot Tamale Princess (ages 4-6)

WHAT SCHOOL DO YOU ATTEND? WHAT GRADE ARE YOU IN?

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WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE ACADEMIC SUBJECTS? \_\_\_\_\_

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WHAT ARE YOUR INTERESTS AND HOBBIES? \_\_\_\_\_

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LIST YOUR SCHOOL/CIVIC ACTIVITIES AND ALL COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER WORK.

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WHAT ARE YOUR FUTURE PLANS? \_\_\_\_\_

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WHY DO YOU LIKE DELTA HOT TAMALES? \_\_\_\_\_

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**(MISS HOT TAMALES QUEEN ONLY)**

PLEASE WRITE A PARAGRAPH OF 200 WORDS OR LESS EXPLAINING WHY YOU WANT TO BE MISS HOT TAMALES ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER AND ATTACH TO YOUR APPLICATION.

**(MISS WASHINGTON COUNTY HOSPITALITY ONLY)**

PLEASE WRITE A PARAGRAPH OF 200 WORDS OR LESS EXPLAINING HOW YOU WOULD PROMOTE THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO A VISITOR.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contestant Signature - Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature - Date

\*\* contestant must have parent/guardian consent if under age of 18 \*\*

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION w/ fee TO:

MAIN STREET GREENVILLE  
ATTN: HOT TAMALES PAGEANT  
504 CENTRAL STREET  
GREENVILLE, MS 38701



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If you have any questions, please contact Gretchen Giachelli @ 662-378-3121 x 305 or by email at gretchen@greatergreenville.org.

ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 (Miss Hot Tamale Princess, Sweetheart and Pre-Teen Divisions)  
\$40.00 (Miss Hot Tamale Teen and Queen Divisions) **\*\* this price includes a Delta Hot Tamale t-shirt which is required to be worn with white shorts, capris or pants for interview \*\***  
\$30.00 (Miss Washington County Hospitality Division)

Contestants can enter the Most Photogenic category for an additional \$10.00. Please submit a 5 x 7 picture with application that will be returned to you on the day of the pageant.

HOT TAMALE DIVISION PRIZES:

Winner -	\$100.00, Trophy, Crown and Banner
First Alternate -	\$ 50.00 and Trophy
Second Alternate -	\$ 25.00 and Trophy
Most Photogenic -	Trophy

Most Creative Attire - \$100.00 and Trophy

**\*\*awarded to ONE contestant throughout Miss Hot Tamale Princess, Sweetheart, Pre-Teen, Teen and Queen divisions\*\***

**\*Previous years' winners will not be allowed to compete in the same age division\***

MISS WASHINGTON COUNTY HOSPITALITY PRIZES:

Winner -	Crown, Sash
First Alternate -	Trophy

❖ Entry fee will be \$5.00 per person to get in and children ages 3 and under get in free.

**2018 Contest Rules**

1. The completed questionnaire entry form and all applicable fees must be submitted to the organizer by September 19, 2018, @ 5:00 p.m. The contest submissions can be mailed or hand delivered to Main Street Greenville, 504 Central Street, Greenville, MS 38701.
2. A Hot Tamale attire/costume/outfit, which may include ready-made clothing, is **REQUIRED** of contestants in the Miss Hot Tamale Queen division. Other divisions (Miss Washington County Hospitality excluded) may add corn shucks to their attire/costume/outfit for an additional 5 (five) points which will be added to the contestants overall score. Corn shucks may be purchased at local grocery stores.



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3. The attire/costume/outfit **must not** include a bikini or bathing suit. It must be modest and may include accessories such as a hat, gloves, or scarf. It may also include paintings, appliqués, paper, fabric or cardboard embellishments. Such embellishments must be handmade.
4. All contestants ages 13 - 24 will have a five-minute interview with the judges starting at **8:15 a.m.** the morning of the pageant. Contestants are required to wear white shorts, capris or pants, along with the provided 2018 Delta Hot Tamale t-shirt, for interview. Contestants in the Miss Washington County Hospitality Division are required to wear a suit or a dress.
5. Individuals competing in the Miss Hot Tamale, as well as the Miss Washington County Hospitality categories, will have an on-stage question. A walk through of the stage will be provided beforehand for all contestants.
6. Winners of the pageant will be presented on the Festival's Main Stage Saturday, October 20, 2018, as well as participate in the Festival Parade earlier that day. Winners must commit to community appearances during their reign. Such events include, but may not be limited to, Main Street Press Conferences and the Greenville Christmas Parade. In addition, the winners are expected to be ambassadors for the Delta Hot Tamale Festival, Greenville and Washington County. Winners must also commit to be present at the crowning of the 2019 Delta Hot Tamale Pageant. The details are to be mutually agreed upon by Hot Tamale pageant winners, Miss Washington County Hospitality winner and the Festival Committee.
7. The winner of Miss Washington County Hospitality must commit to represent Washington County in the Miss Mississippi Hospitality State Pageant in the summer of 2019. The state pageant is a week-long event held in Hattiesburg, MS.

**Judging criteria:**

**Miss Hot Tamale Queen Division**

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| 1. Personality          | 25% | 3. Interview and on-stage question | 25% |
| 2. Appearance and Poise | 25% | 4. Attire                          | 25% |

**Miss Hot Tamale Teen, Miss Hot Tamale Pre-Teen Divisions**

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| 1. Personality          | 25% | 3. Attire    | 25% |
| 2. Appearance and Poise | 25% | 4. Interview | 25% |

**Miss Hot Tamale Sweetheart and Miss Hot Tamale Princess Divisions**

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| 1. Personality          | 33% |
| 2. Appearance and Poise | 34% |
| 3. Attire               | 33% |

**Miss Washington County Hospitality Division**

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| 1. Interview                 | 40% |
| 2. Evening Gown              | 30% |
| 3. On-Stage Question         | 15% |
| 4. Mississippi Tourism Essay | 15% |