

## 2025 NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL RODEO QUEEN CONTEST – *CONTESTANT BIOGRAPHY*

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STATE/PROVINCE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

2024 - 2025 GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_ HOMETOWN: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

RODEO EVENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY YEARS IN NHSRA, INCLUDING JH? \_\_\_\_\_

SPEECH TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE USED BY THE JUDGES:</b>
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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

OTHER ACTIVITIES: \_\_\_\_\_

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FUTURE PLANS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL RODEO: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

MY HORSE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

IF YOU HAD ONE WISH COME TRUE, WHAT WOULD IT BE? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

ANY OTHER COMMENTS ABOUT YOURSELF: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Must be returned WITH photographs within 5 days of your State/Province Finals Rodeo to:  
National High School Rodeo Association, 12011 Tejon Street, Suite 900, Denver, CO 80234

## **Good Morning Ladies,**

Congratulations on your decision to participate in this year's South Dakota High School Rodeo Queen Contest! We are excited to have three contestants this year and are looking forward to a fun, rewarding experience.

This email includes a lot of important information regarding the contest. Please take the time to read through everything carefully. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to me directly.

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## **Horsemanship Pattern**

There are no changes to the horsemanship pattern. A diagram of the pattern is attached to this email for your reference.

## **Horsemanship Attire**

CINCH/CRUEL GIRL blue denim jeans are required. All other attire must follow NHSRA guidelines. Please refer to the NHSRA Rulebook for full details.

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## **Photo Requirements**

Please provide a **color 8x10 head and shoulders photo** (vertical orientation, no crown or banner) to **Patsy Schoellerman**. You can email a high-resolution image or mail a physical photo.

**Important:** The photo submitted for the State Contest will also be used for Nationals if you are crowned.

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## **Biography**

Your official biography must match the version available on the NHSRA website or the one enclosed with this email.

- Must be **typed**, in a **standard font**, and we will print on **white paper**
- Only **one page** is accepted
- The online biography is a fillable document
- **No altered or additional pages** will be accepted

We understand much of this info was submitted in your application, but we are aligning with National contest standards. **Only the official NHSRA biography will be accepted.**

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### **Speech Topic**

Your speech should highlight **your country, state/province, or any topic with a western theme.**

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### **Back Numbers**

Back numbers are required to be worn **at all times** during the competition.

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### **Western Casual Dress Code**

For all judged events (except speech, modeling, and horsemanship):

- **Jeans and western blouses or shirts** (no jackets or vests)
  - Shirts must be **tucked in**
  - **Long sleeves, collar, and hat** are mandatory
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### **Horsemanship Dress Code**

- CINCH/CRUEL GIRL blue denim jeans
  - **Plain white cotton blouse or shirt** (no ruffles, tuxedo shirts, or decorative styles)
  - **Long sleeves, collar, hat, crown, banner, and number** are required
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### **Speech & Modeling Dress Code**

You may wear:

- Suits, dresses, skirts, blouses, dress pants, jeans, and shirts
- All tops must have **long sleeves and a collar**
- **Long sleeves, crown, banner, hat, and number** are required at all judged events

Refer to **NHSRA Rulebook – Queen Attire, Page 145** for complete guidelines.

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## Conduct and Behavior Policy

As part of your application, you and a parent/guardian signed the Conduct and Behavior Agreement. If crowned, you are expected to continue upholding this policy, representing SDHSRA with integrity.

You are also expected to keep the **South Dakota HS Rodeo Queen - Facebook page** updated regularly to show how you are fulfilling your duties.

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## Roll Call

Roll call will occur **10 minutes prior to each competition**, in alphabetical order.

- If you miss roll call but arrive before your event, you will receive a **10-point deduction per judge**
  - Missing roll call entirely will result in **disqualification**
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## Draws

All contest draws will be posted ahead of time. We will make efforts to accommodate any other event schedules you may have.

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## Grand Entries

All contestants will be announced during each Grand Entry. You may also be asked to assist with flag presentation.

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## Raffle Tickets

All contestants will help sell raffle tickets at the State Finals. We will accommodate your other event schedules.

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## Rulebook Test

You will be tested on the **NHSRA Rulebook**. A link and PDF copy are attached—please study thoroughly.

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### **Optional Clinic**

Miss Rodeo South Dakota is hosting a Rodeo Queen Clinic. While not required, we strongly encourage you to attend. Details can be found on:

- **South Dakota HS Rodeo Queens - Facebook page**
- **Miss Rodeo South Dakota - Facebook page**

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### **Important Deadline**

Please send your **Biography and Photo** to **Patsy** by **May 15th**.

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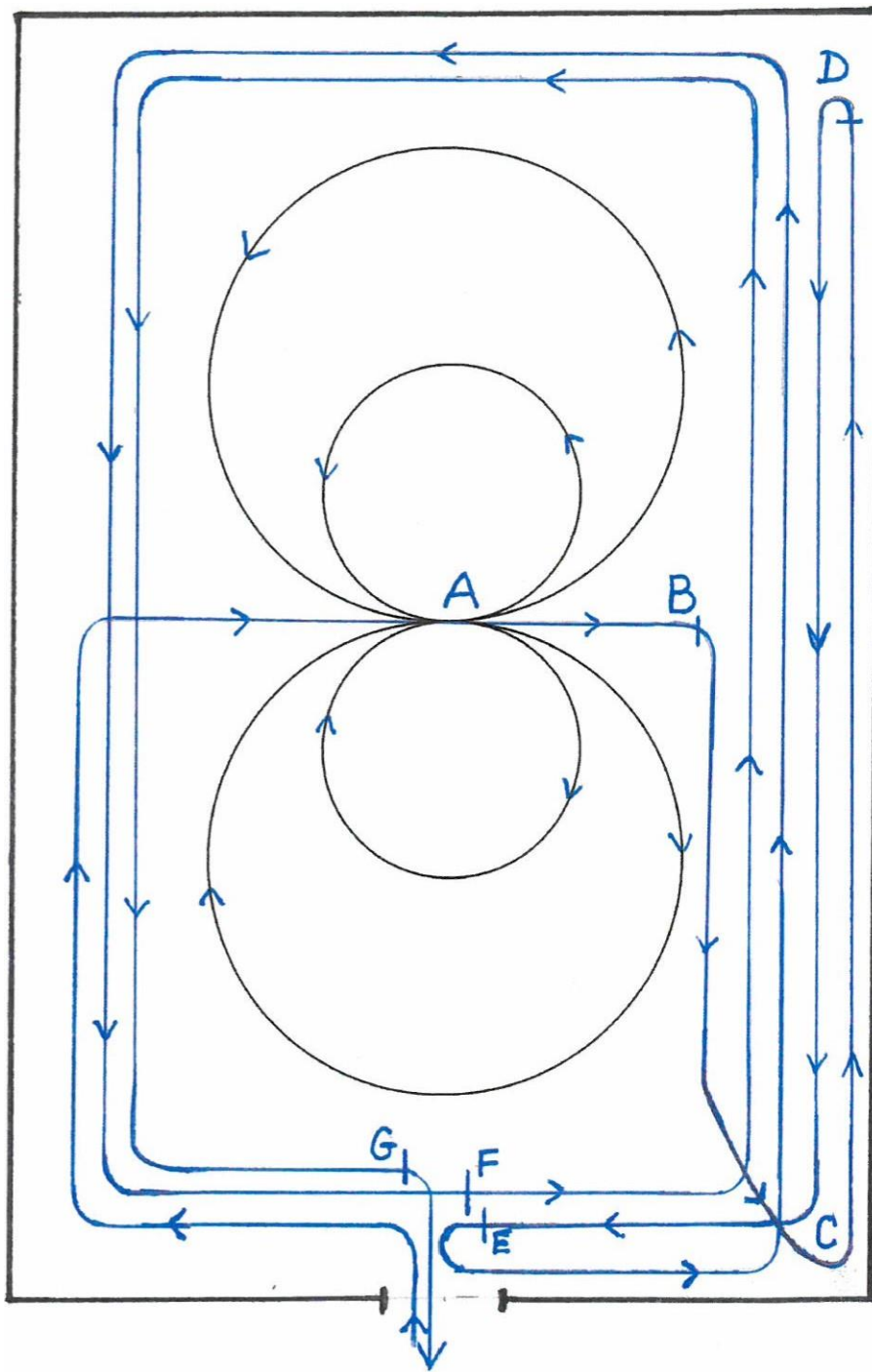
If you have any questions or need clarification on anything above, feel free to reach out.

Best of luck with your preparations — we're excited to see you compete!

Warm regards,

**Patsy**

Pattern has a possible 50-point score per judge



Enter the arena and walk to Position A. Begin figure 8 work to the right at a fast lope and make the larger figure 8. Reduce speed and go into the smaller figure 8. Stop at Position B. Trot to Position C. Begin fast pace at Position C, coming to a stop at Position D. Turn away from fence at Position D and proceed to the Exit gate at a fast pace doing a presentation ride. Stop at gate. Make a 180 degree turn to the left (towards gate) at Position E. Take flag from contest personnel and circle the arena once at a speed of the contestant's choice. Stop at the gate and hand flag to contest personnel at Position F. Make a second circle around arena as a presentation ride. Come to a stop at the gate at Position G and exit the arena.

The Horsemanship portion of the NHSRA Queen contest is to demonstrate the ability of the contestant to show herself and her horsemanship skills. Therefore, the NHSRA has adopted the following pattern to demonstrate basic horsemanship skills such as controlling speed, increasing speed, picking up correct leads, displaying a flag while presenting herself in a manner that demonstrates the poise and elegance associated with the title of 'Queen'. In an effort to eliminate the need for a finished reining horse, judges will be critiquing basic horsemanship skills, appearance and presentation while correctly performing the adopted pattern.