

## Official Rules and Regulations for the Ganado Volunteer Fire Department Mud-Bug Pageant

- No refunds will be given under any circumstances. No exceptions!
- The pageant is for boys and girls between the ages of 3-5 years old.
- Your child must be in appropriate summer clothing to qualify for judging for the interview portion of the competition and appropriate costume or clothing for talent competition. Your child does not have to change clothes and may remain in the summer wear for the talent competition.
- Your child may **NOT** wear anything that shows skin in the torso area.
- Your child must be able to speak clearly and follow directions given.
- Parents are not allowed backstage or on stage at any time.
- Your child must be able to walk on stage alone.
- Last minute hair combing, tucking, etc. must be done prior to line up.
- Be sure your child has been to the restroom prior to line up.
- Auditorium will open for contestants at 3:15 pm and contestants are required to arrive on or by 3:30pm. Any contestant arriving more than 10 minutes late will be subject to disqualification.
- All contestants will be interviewed on stage. The contestants will be scored on appearance, personality, stage presence, and ability to answer questions asked.
- All contestants will be required to perform a talent (singing, dancing, gymnastics, magic tricks, cheerleading, nursery rhymes, karate, etc.) on stage. The talent may not last longer than 3 minutes. All contestants will be scored on appearance, personality, stage presence, if the talent chosen was age appropriate and execution of talent.
- Each contestant is REQUIRED to participate in both the interview and the talent portions of the completion to qualify for judging.
- Any music/props will be provided by the contestant.
- Music must be on a CD and turned in by 3:30pm.
- Any music/props must be appropriate for all ages and may not contain any foul language and/or violence of any nature or considered dangerous. If there is any question regarding appropriate talent, music or props please do not hesitate to contact a member of the pageant committee.
- The contestant must be able to perform on stage alone and without assistance.
- Any props that the contestant uses for the talent portion of the competition must be able to be carried on stage and off stage by the contestant only.
- The contestant will be allowed a quick change of clothing for the talent portion if wanted however, it will be the responsibility of the parents to oversee this and to make sure the child is back in his/her place by his/her talent turn. If the contestant is not back in place for their turn during talent they will be subject to disqualification if a no show after name is called 3 times over 45 seconds.
- The only changing facility in the auditorium is the restrooms located in the front of the auditorium so please keep your supplies to a minimal.
- The pageant will consist of a Little Miss Mud-Bug, Little Mister Mud-Bug, Little Miss Mud-Bug Runner-up, Little Mister Mud-Bug Runner-up and Little Mud-Bug Most Photogenic.
- All winners of the pageant will remain on stage after the pageant for pictures.
- All winners of the pageant will be required to attend and ride on the fire truck in the parade on Saturday, April 29th, 2017. No parents will be allowed on the fire truck. (More details on this will be given after the pageant)
- All winners will be required to be present at the 2018 crawfish festival till at least 4pm.
- The Little Miss and Little Mister will be required to be present at the 2018 Mud-Bug Pageant.
- It will be the responsibility of the parents to chaperone their child at the festival.
- Failure to comply with any of the above requirements can result in immediate disqualification or stripping of the title won. If one of the winning contestants are unable to fulfill their obligations and/or requirements they will be required to return any and all prizes won with the exception of the participation ribbon.

I, the undersigned, hereby agree that I have read, understand, and agree to adhere to and follow the rules, regulations and guidelines for the Ganado Volunteer Fire Department Mud Bug Pageant. I understand that failure to adhere to any of the above will result in immediate disqualification of my child. I understand that the pageant committee will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items. I understand that the Ganado Volunteer Fire Department, The City of Ganado or the Ganado ISD is not and cannot be held responsible for any lost items and/or injuries and/or accidents that may occur at or in connection with this pageant, parade and/or festival. This form must be signed and turned in with other required materials in order for your child to be able to participate in the pageant.

Child Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_