



Ionia Free Fair 2026 Queen Contest Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Birthdate: _____ High School Class of: _____ High School/College: _____

College & Career Plans: _____

Employment: _____

Hobbies & Interests: _____

Activities: _____

Special Honors: _____

**Please attach extra sheets as needed.
Contestants must be 17 years of age by 07/1/26 and no older than 22 years of age to compete.**

**Send application to:
Ionia Free Fair, PO Box 96, Ionia, MI 48846
OR office@ioniafreefair.com**

Applications are due by June 19, 2026



Ionia Free Fair 2026 Queen & Court Selection Rules & Information

The following information pertains to the responsibilities and allowances for the Queen and Runners-up:

1. Contestants must be 17 years of age by July 1, 2026, and no older than 22 years of age.
2. The Ionia Free Fair Queen, with her 1st and 2nd Runner-up will assume their duties immediately following their selection and will reign until their successors are chosen.
3. The Ionia Free Fair Queen and court will be eligible for the following scholarship amounts sponsored by the Independent Bank:
Queen: \$750.00; 1st Runner Up: \$500.00; 2nd Runner-up: \$250.00
4. Select grandstand performance access will be available for the Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up, along with ONE guest to accompany each.
6. The Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up will be given a ‘Super Fun Pass’ (one day unlimited ride pass) for each day of the fair.
7. The Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up will receive one parking pass for the duration.
8. The Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up will appear at designated parades, community celebrations, and other activities until their reigns are completed.
9. The Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up may occasionally need to meet the driver at an agreed upon location to travel to a parade and/or celebration.
10. The Ionia Free Fair will provide a sash and crown for the Queen, along with a sash and tiara for the Runners-up. The Queen and Runners-up may keep these items.
11. The Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up should always dress attractively. They have the option of wearing a gown or attractive dress at parades. The Queen and Runners-up should wear their crowns and sashes for all appearances whenever they are representing the Ionia Free Fair. When not performing an assigned duty during the fair, neat and casual attire is acceptable. (No halter-tops, tube tops, short shorts, or mini-skirts please.) Body piercing, other than earrings, will not be acceptable when representing the Ionia Free Fair Association at ANY FUNCTION. They should bring an umbrella on rainy weather days. A pair of comfortable shoes may also be needed.

The Queen and Runners-up are expected to have an Ionia Free Fair designated escort with them at all times.

12. The Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up will report to an individual assigned by the Fair, who is in charge of their itinerary, fair schedule, and other activities. They may be asked to present trophies or prizes at the various competitions held during the Fair.

13. The Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up will be introduced on stage approximately 15 minutes prior to grandstand attractions. Due to security, backstage access will be limited to the Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up only.

14. The Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up will receive a complete fair schedule when selected. The Fair must approve any deviations from the schedule.

15. The Ionia Free Fair Queen and Runners-up will conduct themselves in a manner that presents them and the Ionia Free Fair in a positive manner. The use of drugs, tobacco and alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited.

16. The 1st Runner-up will replace the Ionia Free Fair Queen if she is unable to fulfill her responsibilities.