

# Miss Deerfield Fair Scholarship Program 2023

The 2023 Deerfield Fair will host a renewed Miss Deerfield Fair Pageant and Scholarship competition during our Sept 28<sup>th</sup> thru Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Fair weekend.

The competition is open to unmarried high school girls in their junior or senior year (or equivalent) by the date of the fair. You must live in Deerfield or the surrounding towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Candia, Epsom, Northwood, Nottingham, or Raymond. Students at the following high schools are also eligible: Bishop Brady HS, Coe Brown Northwood Academy, Concord HS, Dover HS, Epping HS, Jesse Remington HS, Pembroke Academy, Pinkerton Academy, and Raymond HS. Daughters or granddaughters of Deerfield Fair Association members are also eligible.

The winners will be selected on four equally weighted criteria:

- **Judges' Interview**
- **Original Essay** (500 - 1000 words)
- **Talent Presentation**
- **Poise and Appearance** during the pageant

Scholarship prizes will be a fully funded 529 scholarship account in the winner's name.

- First place: \$3,000
- Second place: \$2,000
- Third place: \$1,000

Additional cash (debit cards) awards:

- Winner of Talent, Essay, and Interview: \$100 each
- Winner of the Mary Mahoney Award (voted by the contestants): \$100
- All contestants receive a \$50 participation award

The winner will be expected to make appearances on the Fairgrounds as planned by the Miss Deerfield Fair program director on Saturday (September 30<sup>th</sup>) and appear at next year's program.

Notes: This event is not associated with Miss New Hampshire or Miss America. Contestants will need ball gowns or long dresses for a choreographed group number. The rehearsals, judges' interviews and program will take place all day, on Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. The show will be that evening at 7PM on the Deerfield Fair Show Stage.

See <http://www.deerfieldfair.com> for rules and application form.