

# Miss Saginaw Ojibwe Princess Contest

Hosted by Naanooshke Women's Circle  
In conjunction with the 20th annual Little Elks Retreat Pow-Wow  
August 6 - 8, 2004  
Mount Pleasant, Michigan

**Miss Saginaw Ojibwe represents the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan**

## **Qualifications:**

Ages 12 - 21 years old  
Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Member  
Single, never married, no dependents (children)  
Knowledge of tribal traditions and history

## **Application Requires:**

Official entry application  
Contestant agreement  
Certification of Tribal Membership  
Selections of princess are based upon a point system and judged by the Naanooshke Women's Circle judges. The points will be based on the following categories:

- Private Interview – to be held 5:30 pm, Tuesday, August 3, 2004 at Elijah Elk Cultural Center
- Dance Competition - to be held in conjunction with the Little Elks Retreat Pow-Wow
- Regalia - to be judged during the Little Elks Retreat Pow-Wow
- Essay – no less than one page. "How I can be an asset to my tribe and community".

## **Application deadline is Tuesday, August 3, 2004 5:30 pm**

For more information please contact Naanooshke Women's Circle at:  
Elijah Elk Cultural Center / 7th Generation  
Naanooshke Women's Circle  
7957 E. Remus Road  
Mount Pleasant, MI 48858  
Mary Lynn / 7th Generation 989-775-4470  
Julie D'Artagnan / Training Dept. 989-775-5259  
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Naanooshke Women's Circle Sponsored By:  
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## **Miss Saginaw Ojibwe Princess Contest Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Dance Category: \_\_\_\_\_ Traditional \_\_\_\_\_ Jingle \_\_\_\_\_ Fancy Shawl

Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants must be present at the Naanooshke Women's Circle meeting on Tuesday, August 3, 2004 at 5:30 pm for private interviews and Talking Circle. Please have your essay completed at that time. All applicants must sign the Miss Saginaw Ojibwe Conduct / Guidelines Consent form. Return application and consent form to address above.

## Miss Saginaw Ojibwe Princess

Once selected as Princess, the Women's Circle requires several commitments to guide your reign as a representative of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, Little Elk's Retreat Pow Wow and Naanooshke Women's Circle.

### Miss Saginaw Ojibwe Must:

- Attend four or more Pow wows in Michigan
- Write quarterly articles for the Tribal Observer
- Attend four or more community functions
- Attend Women's Circle meetings bi-monthly to provide updates
- Provide a report card to Women's Circle
- Serve as a judge for next year's Miss Three Fires Contest
- Make a shawl for the next Miss Saginaw Ojibwe

## Miss Saginaw Ojibwe Princess Code of Conduct General Guidelines Agreement

Please read the Code of Conduct and General Guidelines Agreement and sign the form below.

You represent yourself, your family, your community and your tribe.

It would not be in your best interest to conduct yourself in any way that would have an adverse effect on yourself, your family, your tribe(s), or your community.

It is very important for you, as a contestant and an individual, to maintain certain moral standards for yourself, now and in the future. It is mandatory that you and your fellow contestants conduct yourselves above and beyond reproach. That means you will refrain from the use of alcohol, drugs, smoking, use of profane language and/or outbursts of any kind, and unacceptable manners with a boyfriend (i.e. intimate display of affection, etc.) in public. THIS TYPE OF BEHAVIOR IS UNACCEPTABLE AND WILL NOT BE TOLERATED!

You affirm that you have no dependents (children) nor have had any children, nor allowed to cohabitate with an intimate companion.

You must display a good attitude about yourself before and after the contest.

You must be accompanied by a parent or chaperone who is 25 years or older while you attend any conferences or trips.

You as the princess are responsible for all personal belongings, and any items received from the Naanooshke Women's Circle or the Pow-Wow Committee.

The Naanooshke Women's Circle and the Pow-Wow Committee of Little Elk's Retreat are not responsible for loss of articles, theft or personal injury.

## Miss Saginaw Ojibwe Conduct/Guidelines Consent Form

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read the Miss Saginaw Ojibwe Princess Code of Conduct and General Guidelines. I hereby agree to abide by the code of conduct and general guidelines as a contestant of the Miss Saginaw Ojibwe Princess Contest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Contestant Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian Date

Do not write below this line

CONTESTANT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

# Miss Three Fires Princess Contest

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August 6 - 8, 2004  
Mount Pleasant, Michigan

**Miss Three Fires represents the Ojibwe, Odawa, and Potawatomi Nations throughout Michigan**

## **Qualifications:**

Ages 12 - 21 years old

Must be member or descendant of one of the Three Fires Tribes

Single, never married, no dependents (children)

Knowledge of tribal traditions and history

## **Application Requires:**

Official entry application

Contestant agreement

Certification of Tribal Membership of self or parent

Selections of princess are based upon a point system and judged by the Naanooshke Women's Circle judges. The points will be based on the following categories:

- Private Interview - to be held on Saturday, August 7, 2004 before Grand Entry
- Dance Competition - to be held in conjunction with the Little Elks Retreat Pow-Wow
- Regalia - to be judged during the Little Elks Retreat Pow-Wow
- Public Speaking - to take place during Pow wow at MC stand

## **Application deadline is Saturday August 7, 2004 10:00 am**

For more information please contact Naanooshke Women's Circle at:

C/o Elijah Elk Cultural Center / 7th Generation

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## **20th Annual Little Elk's Retreat Pow-Wow**

### **Miss Three Fires Princess Contest Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_ Enrolled member? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If Yes, provide Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ If No, provide parent's Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Dance Category: \_\_\_\_\_ Traditional \_\_\_\_\_ Jingle \_\_\_\_\_ Fancy Shawl

Applicants must be present at the Naanooshke Women's Circle meeting on Saturday August 7, 2004 at 10:00 am for Princess requirement information, Talking Circle and Private Interviews. Please have your application completed at that time. All applicants must sign the Miss Three Fires Conduct / Guidelines Consent form. The meeting will be held at the Women's Circle Booth located on the Pow Wow Grounds.

## Miss Three Fires Princess

Once selected as Princess, the Women's Circle requires several commitments to guide your reign as a representative of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, Little Elk's Retreat Pow Wow and Naanooshke Women's Circle.

### Miss Three Fires Must:

- Attend four or more Pow wows in Michigan
- Write quarterly articles for your community paper/newsletter
- Attend two or more Saginaw Chippewa community functions
- Attend two or more functions in your community
- Provide a report card to Women's Circle
- Serve as a judge for next year's Miss Saginaw Ojibwe Contest
- Make a shawl for the next Miss Three Fires

## Miss Three Fires Princess Code of Conduct General Guidelines Agreement

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It would not be in your best interest to conduct yourself in any way that would have an adverse effect on yourself, your family, your tribe(s), or your community.

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You must be accompanied by a parent or chaperone who is 25 years or older while you attend any conferences or trips.

You as the princess are responsible for all personal belongings, and any items received from the Naanooshke Women's Circle or the Pow-Wow Committee.

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## Miss Three Fires Conduct/Guidelines Consent Form

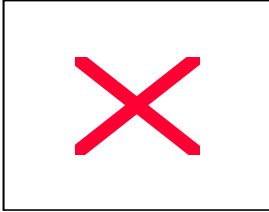
I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read the Miss Three Fires Princess Code of Conduct and General Guidelines. I hereby agree to abide by the code of conduct and general guidelines as a contestant of the Miss Three Fires Princess Contest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Contestant Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Do not write below this line \_\_\_\_\_

CONTESTANT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_



**Sample Interview Questions for Princess Contest**  
**Some of the following questions will be asked during your personal interview**

Please be prepared to introduce yourself in our sacred Native language.

(your name) ndizhnikaaz, (where you are from) ndoo njiiba.

- 1.) Tell us about your regalia. Did you make it? Explain your colors and designs.
- 2.) Why do you want to be Miss Saginaw Ojibwe / Miss Three Fires?
- 3.) Why do you think it is important to portray a positive role model in your community?
- 4.) Tell us what you know about women's roles in the community?
- 5.) If you were crowned princess and could make a positive change for your fellow youth what would those changes be?
- 6.) Tell us about someone in your life that made a positive difference.
- 7.) What is your dance style and what do you know about the history of your dance style?
- 8.) Who inspired you to run for princess and how?
- 9.) What are your future goals for five years from now?
- 10.) Give us an example of a conversation, or how would you approach a stranger or elder that you wish to speak to in a grand entry line up.
- 11.) In your own words what does it mean to be Anishinaabe Kwe?
- 12.) Explain your understanding of the Seven Generations teaching.
- 13.) How will the elders benefit from you being crowned princess?
- 14.) In what ways has your community benefited from you?