Rules for the 2008 Miss Cinderella Pageant
Northwestern Oklahoma State University

1. A contestant must be a bonafide high school senior female, single, and at least 16 years of age by September 1, 2008. She must never have previously entered the Miss Cinderella Pageant. Entry in the pageant will be by invitation to the school only.

2. The school principal or superintendent must certify their contestant on the designated form and the contestant will enter under the school name. Contestants must be selected and the “Certification of Local Winner” form returned to Mrs. Tammy Brown by Monday, October 6, 2008.

3. The selection process for the school’s entrant is a local decision and not determined by the Miss Cinderella Pageant. She may be chosen by the school, community, panel of judges or by the process determined most appropriate by the school or local pageant sponsor. The local contestant must meet the guidelines and adhere to the pageant rules to enter the Miss Cinderella Pageant.


5. Each contestant is required to attend Orientation for all contestants, accompanied by her parent/guardian or sponsor on Saturday, October 11, in the NWOSU Student Center. She will also participate in the Talent Show on Thursday, October 30; Pageant Coronation on Friday, October 31; and the Homecoming Parade on Saturday, November 1.

6. The contestant will be judged equally in three categories: (1) talent, (2) interview, and (3) poise/appearance. Talent acts cannot be changed after Orientation unless two talent acts are identical. Pageant officials will communicate with the two contestants regarding this situation at Orientation. If the two contestants choose to change their talent acts due to this situation, the pageant director must be notified by the following Wednesday after Orientation.

7. A wardrobe guideline is provided to each contestant. Appropriate dress for each activity is required. Selection of talent costume and evening gown should be age appropriate. We feel you will use good judgment in selecting your wardrobe for Pageant week. However, please know the Production Committee and/or Pageant Officials have the right to decide if a dress, costume, or gown is out-dated, too low cut, and/or not in good taste.

8. Four winners will be selected from the contestants: (1) Miss Congeniality will be selected by her fellow contestants; (2) Talent Winner will be selected by the pageant judges; (3) Interview Winner will be selected by the pageant judges; (4) Miss Cinderella will be selected by the pageant judges at the conclusion of the pageant on Friday night. In addition, a second runner-up and first runner-up to Miss Cinderella will be selected by the judges.

9. Scholarships to Northwestern Oklahoma State University-Alva will be given as follows:
   a. Each contestant to enter the pageant will receive a $1,900 scholarship ($950 each semester) to NWOSU-Alva to be used her freshman year.
   b. Miss Cinderella will receive a total of eight semesters of tuition scholarship ($950 each semester) and a two-semester room scholarship. The room scholarship will be used during the freshman year at NWOSU-Alva.
c. The First Runner-up will receive a total of six semesters of tuition scholarship ($950 each semester) to NWOSU-Alva.

d. The Second Runner-up will receive a total of four semesters of tuition scholarship ($950 each semester) to NWOSU-Alva.

e. The Talent Winner will receive a two-semester room scholarship to be used her freshman year at NWOSU-Alva. This is in addition to the two-semester tuition scholarship previously listed.

f. The Miss Congeniality Winner will receive a two-semester room scholarship to be used her freshman year at NWOSU-Alva. This is in addition to the two-semester tuition scholarship previously listed.

g. The Interview Winner will receive a two-semester book scholarship ($150 each semester). This is in addition to the two-semester tuition scholarship previously listed.

Note: Additional scholarship information/rules will be provided to the contestants at Orientation. NWOSU will distribute official scholarship applications at this meeting. Scholarship recipients must meet entrance requirements to Northwestern Oklahoma State University.

10. Contestants will ride in antique classic cars in the Homecoming parade on Saturday, November 1. The Homecoming Committee will provide the cars.

11. If the contestant plans to stay in Alva during the contest, she should make her own arrangements for accommodations. A list of motels is provided at Orientation. A list of motels can also be obtained from the Alva Chamber of Commerce. University dorm rooms may be available on a limited basis. The contestant’s mother or female adult sponsor must stay with the contestant in the dorm room. Contestants and their mother/guardian/sponsor must also adhere to university policy regarding use of university housing.

12. The University and the Pageant Committee will not provide transportation for the contestant during the pageant.

13. The contestant or her school must assume any financial cost of participation in this event. The Homecoming Association is unable to offer any expense payments because doing so would jeopardize the contestant's privilege of participating in any other interscholastic contest of any type. The school itself could be severely penalized in this respect.

14. The contestant's and her parent's/guardian's/sponsor's conduct must be impeccable and their cooperation is required by the producers and directors of the contest and pageant. No one is allowed backstage other than pageant officials and contestants. Cell phones are not allowed by the contestants during pageant activities including Orientation, Talent Rehearsal, Talent Show, luncheon and dinners, interviews, coronation, and during the parade.

15. While limited props are allowed for a talent act, it is the responsibility of the contestant to keep up with them. Although the Pageant Committee does everything they can to ensure the safety and security of props and other property, they are not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items.

16. Contestants will be scheduled for interviews the morning of Friday, October 31. If a contestant misses her scheduled time, she will be placed at the end of interviews and may interview at the later time, at the discretion of the Pageant Committee and Pageant Judges.
17. Once entered in the contest, each contestant should make every effort to uphold her responsibility to continue as a contestant. Any conflicts regarding pageant responsibilities must be addressed with the Pageant Directors.

18. Documents for the 2008 Miss Cinderella Pageant will be available at http://www.nwosu.edu/homecmg/cinderella/cinderella.html by June 1, 2008. It is expected that each contestant and her sponsor/parent/guardian will read and abide by these documents.