

Application Process for Homecoming Court

Rules and Regulations

1. Must be full-time, currently enrolled student.
2. Must be a junior, senior or graduate student as indicated by the Student Handbook.
3. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above.
4. Must be sponsored by *at least one* officially registered organization of APSU, but may be sponsored by more than one.
5. A letter of recommendation from the adviser of the organization must be included with the application.
6. Must not have a formal disciplinary record of any kind.
7. Must pose for a photo to be printed in the *All-State, The Leaf Chronicle* and to be posted on the Internet for student body voting purposes.
8. Must submit, in person, the completed application to the Office of Student Life and Leadership (MUC 211) no later than 4:00 p.m., September 29. This packet must be time stamped by a Student Life employee. Your photo will be taken at the time you submit your packet.
9. Selection as Homecoming Queen or King is considered an honor and the selected Queen and King serve as ambassadors for the University. This means that the chosen candidates agree to attend University functions when requested as King or Queen.

Homecoming Queen and King Selection Process

Election: All qualified applicants will be placed on the ballot. A mandatory candidate orientation will take place Tuesday, September 29 at 4 p.m. in UC 213. Voting, by the student body, is conducted online between Tuesday, Oct. 6 and Thurs., Oct 8, 2009. The 10 qualified applicants (five Queen Applicants and five King Applicants) receiving the most votes by plurality will be named as member of the Homecoming Court. The Homecoming Court will be announced Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 7:30 p.m. as part of the Bonfire at the Intramural Field (rain site: Red Barn). Qualified applicants are encouraged to be in attendance at the Bonfire for the official announcement to campus.

Selection: All 10 members of the Homecoming Court will be expected to participate in an individual interview to take place on Friday, Oct. 16. Court candidates will have the opportunity to sign up for interview time slots immediately following the candidate's personal notification from Student Life and Leadership by phone on Friday, Oct. 9. Selection of the Homecoming Queen and King will be made by a committee comprised of APSU staff/faculty, students, and alumni.

Rehearsal: The Homecoming Court will have a mandatory rehearsal on Friday, Oct. 30 from 4 - 5 p.m. at the Governors Stadium. All court members and SGA President must meet the Coordinator of Student Life in the stadium for rehearsal of the half-time show with the University Band.

Announcement: The public announcement of the 2009 Homecoming Queen and King will be made at half-time of the football game on Saturday, Oct. 31.

*Submit the application, in person, to the Student Life and Leadership Office
(UC 211) no later than 4:00 p.m., Sept. 28, 2009.*

2009 Homecoming King/Queen Campaigning Guidelines

1. A mandatory candidate orientation will take place Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 4 p.m. in UC 213. Campaigning will begin at 8 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 5. The online election will take place Tuesday, Oct. 6 to Thursday, Oct. 8.
 - a. Campaigning for the homecoming court will end on Thursday, Oct. 8 at 11:59 p.m. Candidates are expected to have all campaign materials removed from campus within 24 hours. Election results will be ratified on Friday, Oct. 9.
2. Candidates shall do nothing that is in violation of TBR Regulations, APSU Code of Conduct, or the following guidelines in regards to campaigning.
 - a. Candidates shall not pay any money nor perform any services for anyone in exchange for votes.
 - b. Interfering with another candidate's campaign, either verbally or in writing, is strictly prohibited. Interfering may include, but is not limited to: mentioning the name of a candidate other than self in campaign materials; any inference/suggestion that represents another candidate in a negative manner; representing information in campaign materials known to be or suspected as false; and, defacing and/or damaging campaign materials. A candidate's campaigning should only promote self not demean other candidates.
 - c. A candidate is responsible for making sure his/her supporters adhere to the guidelines set forth herein. If a violation is made by a supporter during the election period, the candidate may be held responsible for those actions, as if he/she had committed the violation.
 - d. Any campaigning or campaign literature distribution in any APSU computer lab is strictly prohibited. As an extension of this rule, candidates may not walk around campus soliciting votes through the use of a personal device.
5. Violation of any of these rules will result in a disciplinary meeting with the Coordinator of Student Life and could lead to disqualification of candidacy for the Homecoming Court.
6. These guidelines are applicable to any internet campaigning such as: Myspace.com, Facebook.com, Xuqa.com, and any others.
7. Candidates have the opportunity to submit questions they may have about the election process to the Coordinator of Student Life at cragwalll@apsu.edu.

Campaign Banners

All candidates must adhere to the APSU campus posting policy. This policy may be found at: <http://www.apsu.edu/mtg/uc/Posting%20Guidelines.pdf>

Publicity in Residence Halls

General

A specific bulletin board marked-GENERAL CAMPUS POSTING ONLY-is provided in each residence hall and apartments for the posting of campus events and other types of information. Bulletin boards are available in each building in the Emerald Hill complex. Individuals or groups wishing to post information must obtain the permission from the Office of Housing/Residence Life and Dining Services. All information posted must be in compliance with the rules and regulations for posting as outlined by the Office Of University Facilities.

Information that does not have approval of the Office of Housing/Residence Life and Dining Services or that is posted improperly will be removed by the residence hall staff immediately. Possible disciplinary charges may be filed by Housing/Residence Life and Dining Services against the individual or organization.

Resident room/apartment

Information signs or other decorations may not be displayed in windows or interior/exterior of the residence hall/apartments. Banners may be allowed with special permission. No types of door decorations, stickers, signs or other adhesive material may be placed on the exterior/interior of any residence hall/apartment complex.

In regards to posters, all campaign signs on campus shall conform to the following guidelines:

- A. Three banner signs, any size, may be placed on campus. A banner is defined as any material that together forms a sign that is more than 2 by 3 feet.
- B. There shall be no limit on the number of 8 ½ by 11 inches or smaller signs that may be placed on campus.
- C. All signs should be in accordance with the APSU policy/guideline 3:001 and any other applicable policies and/or guidelines.
- D. All signs must be in accordance with the policies/guidelines/procedures of the particular APSU building/area in which it is located.
- E. Any campaigning or campaign literature distributed in any APSU computer lab is strictly prohibited. The Woodward Library is considered a computer lab; however; posting is allowed on the bulletin board located near the entrance/exit of the library.

Detach the following application page and submit, in person, the Student Life and Leadership Office (UC 211) no later than 4:00 p.m., Sept. 28, 2009.

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2009 Homecoming Court Application Packet

2009 Homecoming Queen/King Candidate Application

Print or Type in Blue/Black Ink Only.

Name: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ Applying for: ____ Queen ____ King

Sponsoring Organization: _____

Hometown: _____

Address: _____

Father: _____

Mother: _____

Organizations, Activities, Clubs & Honors: _____

Interests: _____

A recommendation letter from the organization adviser is attached to this application.

I hereby authorize the Office of Student Life to access my personal records/academic history for the purpose of verifying my eligibility and to release my picture for the purpose of promoting the Homecoming selection process.

Signature

Date

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