



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 classified by the Registrar's office (60+ hours completed).
3. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above.
4. Must be sponsored by a registered student organization at Austin Peay.
5. Must not have a formal disciplinary record that resulted in probation, suspension, or expulsion.
6. Must provide a suitable photo to be posted on the PeayLink for student body voting purposes.
7. Must submit the completed application via PeayLink no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon), Monday, October 2, 2023.
8. Selection as Homecoming Queen/King is considered an honor and the selected Queen/King will serve as ambassadors for the University.

Homecoming Queen/King Selection Process

Election: All qualified applicants will be placed on the ballot. Voting by the student body is conducted online between Monday, October 16, 2023 and Wednesday, October 18, 2023. The 10 qualified applicants (five Queen applicants and five King applicants) receiving the most votes will be named as members of the Homecoming court and announced Monday, October 23, 2023 at the Bonfire/Pep Rally in the Dunn bowl. Qualified applicants are expected to be in attendance for this official announcement.

Selection: All 10 members of the Homecoming court will be expected to participate in a private interview Thursday, October 26, 2023. Court candidates will have the opportunity to sign-up for interview time slots immediately following the court announcement at the bonfire/pep rally. Selection of the Homecoming Queen/King will be made by a committee comprised of APSU staff, faculty, and alumni.

Rehearsal: There will be a scheduled rehearsal for all members of the Homecoming court Friday, October 27, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. on the football field at Fortera Stadium.

Parade: All 10 members of the Homecoming court are expected to participate in the Homecoming parade Saturday, October 28, 2023. Members of the court will be responsible for acquiring a convertible for the parade (no trucks, Jeeps, etc.). Each court member rides in their own vehicle.

Announcement: The public announcement of the 2023 Homecoming Queen/King will be made at half-time of the football game Saturday, October 28, 2023.



2023 Homecoming Queen/King Campaigning Guidelines

1. Campaigning may begin Monday, October 9, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. The online election will take place Monday, October 16, 2023 through Wednesday, October 18, 2023. Campaigning for the Homecoming court will end Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. Candidates are expected to have all campaign materials removed from campus by Thursday, October 19, 2023 by noon.
2. Candidates cannot be in violation of the APSU Code of Conduct or the following guidelines in regards to campaigning.
 - a. Candidates cannot 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 yourself 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.
 - 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 she/he had committed the violation.
 - d. Any campaigning or campaign literature distribution in any APSU computer lab is strictly prohibited.
 - e. Candidates may not walk around campus soliciting votes through the use of a personal device.
3. Violation of any of these rules will result in a disciplinary meeting with the Associate Dean of Students/Director of Student Life and Engagement and could lead to disqualification of candidacy for the Homecoming court.
4. These guidelines are applicable to any internet campaigning such as: Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, or any other social networking sites.
5. Candidates have the opportunity to submit questions they may have about the election process to the Associate Dean of Students/Director of Student Engagement at feltsv@apsu.edu.



Campaign Banners

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. Individuals or groups wishing to post information must obtain the permission from the Office of Housing/Residence Life and Dining Services. Once approved, flyers must be posted by a member of the Housing staff.

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 the interior/exterior of the residence hall/apartments. 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. Two 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 entire Woodward Library is considered a computer lab.
- F. Campaigning via video message boards in the Morgan University Center is prohibited.