



2019-2020
Scholarship Information and Application

Schertz Sweetheart Court Application / Rules / Responsibilities

Sponsored by the City of Schertz

Schertz Sweetheart Court Pageant
Thursday, May 2, 2019, 5:30 PM
Schertz Civic Center

Deadline for application is March 8, 2019; 5:00 PM.

Deliver complete package in a sealed envelope to:

**Schertz Community Center
1400 Schertz Parkway, Bldg. 3
Schertz, TX 78154**

Complete package will include:

- 1. Application.**
- 2. Reference letters in individual, sealed envelopes:**
 - **A letter from a teacher/counselor stating your good academic standing.**
 - **A letter from a non-related adult (i.e., employer, organization) for whom you perform community service.**
- 3. Personal resume.** Please include your extracurricular activities and accomplishments
- 4. Essay.** One page, double-space, typed; on Community Service Project, active or proposed



Scholarships:

MISS SCHERTZ	12 th GRADE	\$ 2,500.00
MISS JUBILEE	9 th – 12 th GRADE	\$ 1,500.00
MISS FRIENDLY CITY	9 th – 12 th GRADE	\$ 1,500.00
MISS SUNSHINE	9 th – 12 th GRADE	\$ 1,500.00

Requirements & Responsibilities

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Entering the 9th through 12th grades in the fall semester of 2019.
- **Must be a resident of Schertz.**
- Single; never married; no children; not pregnant.
- Must be attending public, private or be home schooled.
- Be of good health and good moral character.
- No record of illegal or immoral activity.
- No visible tattoos and/or piercing when representing the city of Schertz (earrings permitted).
- Not be related, by blood or adoption, to a Schertz Sweetheart Advisory Group member within the first degree of consanguinity (i.e. mother or father) or within the second degree (i.e. grandparents, grandchildren, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, brother, sister).
- Not currently participating in any other pageant or holding another pageant title from an outside organization.
- Must participate in the annual community service project as determined by the Schertz Sweetheart Advisory Group.
- Must be available for appearances in Schertz throughout the year. Schertz events are mandatory. Out-of-town event participation is encouraged.
- Selected applicants **MUST** agree to be available for the full term of one (1) year. Scholarship amounts will be awarded according to the corresponding Title earned. Each applicant understands that ALL required community service projects and Sweetheart obligations must be met prior to being awarded the scholarship.
- All official “ATTIRE” will be provided to the winning Sweethearts with the exception of shoes, socks or hosiery, underclothing and in some cases, pants or shorts, as discussed between the Schertz Sweetheart Director and the Sweetheart parents.
- Parents will take turns chaperoning various functions such as parades, community events, etc.; Parents are encouraged to attend at least three (3) functions per year; must not show favoritism to one court representative over another; must respect the titles awarded; and follow the direction provided by the Sweetheart Court Director and/or City Staff.

- All scholarship monies will be held by the City of Schertz. Once the Sweetheart is registered in college, a verification form must be completed by the College or University. A check will be issued in the name of the College or University and the name of the recipient.

Send completed application, letter of references, resume, essay, and a 5"x 7" photograph (head and shoulders) postmarked no later than 5:00 PM, March 8, 2019 to:

By Mail: Schertz Sweetheart Program, 1400 Schertz Parkway, Schertz, TX 78154

In Person: Community Center Bldg. 3, 1400 Schertz Parkway, Schertz, Texas 78154

Judging:

Preliminary Judging. Applicants will be judged in the following categories:

- Submitted application
- Letters of Reference
- Personal resume

Finalists will be judged in the following categories:

- Personal interview and essay; by independent panel prior to pageant
- Poise/Presentation (Evening gown)
- Prepared original skit/talent/oration.

Contestant is responsible for researching, writing, and performing a skit/talent/oration for two - three (2-3) minutes. Contestant must address the audience during the skit/talent/oration. Topics must be approved by the Sweetheart Court Advisory Group.

Additional Information

1. **Applications for the Schertz Sweetheart Pageant 2019-20** are being accepted between January 24, 2019 and March 8, 2019. No entry fee is required. Schertz Sweetheart Advisory Group members will score the submitted applications. Finalists chosen to compete will be notified by email correspondence of their selection and to schedule a time for their personal interview. Non-finalists will be notified by mail. Skit/talent/oration practice and rehearsal will be conducted at the Schertz Civic Center or other City facility.
2. The Schertz Sweetheart pageant will be held Thursday, May 2, 2019; 5:30 PM.
3. A **MANDATORY** meeting for the newly selected Sweetheart Court and their parents will take place after the pageant. During this meeting, you will be given the current schedule of events, and liability release paperwork for signature.
4. For more information visit our web site, www.schertz.com. Look under the 'Community' tab for Sweetheart Court.

Sweetheart Court

For questions:
Contact: Ms. Mary Spence
Email: sweethearts@schertz.com
Phone: (210) 619-1636

Please print clearly in ink.

Name: _____ **Grade (2019-20 School Yr)** _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth: _____ Email: _____

Phone Numbers: Home _____ Mobile _____

Employer: (if applicable) _____

School Attending: _____

Parent Name(s): _____

Parent Email Address(es): _____

Parent Mobile Phone: _____ Parent Mobile Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Name & Number:

List the web site profile username/profile name(s) you use:

Facebook: _____

Twitter: _____

Instagram: _____

Snapchat: _____

What qualities do you possess that would make you a good ambassador for the City of Schertz?

How will you balance high school and your extra-curricular activities if you are chosen to be part of the Sweetheart Court?

What do you like most about your community?

What talent/oration/skit will you perform?

Ex: Dancing, Singing, Reciting an oration, or Playing an instrument. Talent will not be duplicated and must be reviewed by committee for approval. Please list props, if using.

References: Provide three non-family member references, different from those in the letter of reference:

(Name) _____

(Address) _____

(Phone) _____ (Relationship) _____

(Name) _____

(Address) _____

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Certifications

I certify that I meet the requirements listed on this application and that all information on this form is correct. I take full responsibility for the publication and use thereof. I represent that I have not and will not engage in any activities which, if disclosed to the public, would bring or tend to bring, myself, Schertz Sweetheart Scholarship Program and/or The City of Schertz into disrepute, ridicule or contempt not limited to, but to include any type of use of illegal drugs, any other illegal behavior or activity, professional or amateur nude or semi-nude dancing or modeling in any sexually oriented business or club, any type of nude or semi-nude photographs or video tapes, prostitution, any felony conviction, probation or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude. I also understand that the above information must be verifiable and that any misrepresentation on my part will lead to the termination of my participation in the Schertz Sweetheart Scholarship Pageant.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

I (We), as parent(s) or guardian(s) of the said contestant, agree to the above statement and further agree that I (we) will not interfere with the Program Officials in carrying out the rules and regulations of the Schertz Sweetheart Scholarship Pageant. I (We) understand that interference on our part could lead to termination of our child's participation in the Program.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Phone: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Phone: _____ **Date:** _____
