

2025 Miss Mazeppa Pageant



The Miss Mazeppa Committee is looking for the Miss Mazeppa Royalty for 2025. The committee is inviting girls entering 12th grade in the fall of 2025 to apply. To be considered for eligibility, contestants must live in the Mazeppa area.

If you are questioning your residency eligibility, please contact Alesia Hofschulte (507) 272-1207.

The candidates will be judged on a short essay, academic achievements, community involvement/extracurricular activities and an interview. Read on for more details.

Why would you want to be Miss Mazeppa?

In gaining the title of “Miss Mazeppa”, it offers a wonderful opportunity to build your resume for future entrance into college or a job. The title means you have been chosen because you are an asset to our community; you have proven yourself to be a leader and an outstanding citizen. You will also have the opportunity to meet new friends and enjoy new experiences and **a scholarship for your future.**

What does Miss Mazeppa get to do?

As your new reign as Miss Mazeppa Royalty, you will appear in the Mazeppa Daze parade, be an ambassador of Mazeppa at other parades in our area and attend special city events.

I’m interested, now what?

First, you will need to attend the potential contestant/parent meeting at the Mazeppa Fire Hall. See table of dates below for details.

Second, you will need a business sponsor. The business sponsor pays the \$100 entry fee (checks made payable to: Miss Mazeppa Pageant), and their name and business will be displayed on the side of the parade vehicle if you are crowned Miss Mazeppa Royalty.

Third, you must fill out an application form and write an essay about the selected topic. See table of dates below for details.

Fourth, return your application, \$100 and essay by mail to Miss Mazeppa 574 2nd Ave NE Mazeppa, MN 55956 or via email missmazeppapageant@gmail.com or visit on Facebook at Miss Mazeppa Pageant. See table of dates below for details.

How is Miss Mazeppa chosen?

The Miss Mazeppa Royalty are chosen based upon a short 200-300 word essay on **“How does life in a small town shape you?”**, your academics, extracurricular activities/community involvement and an interview. A panel of judges will review all participant applications and essays; they will conduct one-on-one interviews and choose our royalty.

When is the deadline to enter?

Deadline for applications, \$100 and essays is Friday June 20, 2025.

How are the essays judged?

Essays will be judged based upon originality, grammar, punctuation, organization, flow and content.

What will the interview be like?

The panel of judges understands this might be your first formal interview, but we encourage you to use this experience to sell your presence, your skills and your achievements. The panel will ask 10 real-world interview questions in a formal setting, expecting professionalism and decorum.

Interviews will be held at staggering start times starting at 6:00pm at the Mazeppa Fire Hall. Interview attire is business casual. See table of dates below for details.

When is Miss Mazeppa chosen?

After the interviews are complete, the panel of judges will meet to review selecting Royalty based on a graded scale between essays, interviews, applications and overall composure.

Contestants will arrive at the Field of Honor for the coronation. See table of dates below for details. Contestants will need a formal dress for the coronation. After coronation, all contestants will participate in a photo shoot. The new reigning Miss Mazeppa Royalty will participate in the first special city event by helping place flags on the Field of Honor.

Miss Mazeppa Code of Conduct Agreement:

- ❖ Remember that you represent the Miss Mazeppa pageant and Mazeppa community; common sense needs to be used when you are fulfilling your duties.
- ❖ You are expected to participate to the fullest extent possible in the parades and public events for the one-year reign of Miss Mazeppa and in no less than 80% of the events as scheduled.
- ❖ For each event Miss Mazeppa Royalty must dress appropriately in the attire as directed.
- ❖ For any reason you are not able to attend a parade or event, the Miss Mazeppa chairperson shall be contacted as soon as possible.
- ❖ A contestant may be disqualified, and a reigning member of royalty may be removed and her scholarship forfeited at any time with the sole discretion of the Miss Mazeppa committee.

Miss Mazeppa must be available for the following Mazeppa Daze activities:

- o Saturday Events
 - Pancake Breakfast: help serve pancakes
 - Location: Community Center
 - Time: 8:00am
 - Attire: Miss Mazeppa T-shirt, sash, and crown
 - 5k Race: start the race
 - Location: School steps
 - Time: 9:00am
 - Attire: Miss Mazeppa T-shirt, sash, and crown
 - Duck Races; announce winners
 - Location: Maple Street Bridge
 - Time: 2:00pm
 - Attire: Miss Mazeppa T-shirt, sash, and crown
 - Fireworks: flag holder for the singing of the “Star Spangled Banner”
 - Location: Herb Vik field stage
 - Time: Dusk (9:30pm)

- Attire: Miss Mazeppa T-shirt, sash, and crown
- o Sunday Events
 - Tractor Pull: help with registration
 - Location: Tractor pull field
 - Time: 9:00am
 - Attire: Miss Mazeppa T-shirt, sash, and crown
 - Firefighter Water Fights: hand out trophies
 - Location: Fire Hall
 - Time: 11:00am
 - Attire: Miss Mazeppa T-shirt, sash, and crown
- ❖ If crowned **Miss Mazeppa Royalty** in addition to the Mazeppa Daze parade, you must commit to 3 parades (to be coordinated at a later date) during your one-year reign. You are responsible for getting yourself to the parades.
 - o Attire: formal dress, sash and crown
- ❖ If crowned **Miss Mazeppa Royalty** must commit to 3 special city events during your one-year reign and return to the following years' Miss Mazeppa pageant to crown the new Miss Mazeppa.
 - o Field of Honor
 - o National Night Out
 - o Other possible events
 - Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Lion's Park
 - Soup and Santa at the Community Center
 - Mazeppa Fire Department Sledding Day
 - Memorial Day Ceremony at the Mazeppa Cemetery

Dates at a Glance

Event	Date & Time	Location
Parent/Contestant Meeting	May 21, 2025 @ 6pm	Mazeppa Fire Hall
Application, Essay and Entrance Fee Deadline	June 20, 2025 by 11:59 pm	N/A
Contestant Interviews	July 2, 2025 Staggered starting @ 6pm	Mazeppa Fire Hall
Crowning Ceremony	July 10, 2025 @ 6pm	Field of Honor
Mazeppa Daze Parade	July 11, 2025 @ 6:30pm lineup	Bus Pavillion, Mazeppa

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