



## **LITTLE MISS FIREMAN PAGEANT Contestant Information and Guidelines**

### ELIGIBILITY

The female contestants must be permanent residents of Buna Fire District No. 1 and must be three (3) years of age on or before the date of the pageant (the second Saturday each March), but not six (6) by the date of the pageant. An eligible contestant must not have ever been awarded the title of Little Miss Fireman or served out a term as such. The Buna Volunteer Fire Department reserves the right to limit the Little Miss Fireman Competition to a determined number of contestants for safety and liability purposes.

### ENTRY FEE & REGISTRATION

Entry fee is \$45.00 and is payable to the Buna Volunteer Fire Department. Registration is Saturday, January 21, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Buna Volunteer Fire Department Hall on Main Street. Entry fee and all required forms must be submitted together. A contestant's parents may pay the entry fee or she may solicit a business sponsor. A contestant may have no more than one (1) business sponsor. Completed packets are due no later than Saturday, February 4, 2017 and may be turned in from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Buna Volunteer Fire Department.

### AWARDS

In addition to the title of Little Miss Fireman, the Buna Volunteer Fire Department will award Second Runner-Up, First Runner-Up, and Most Photogenic winners. Each contestant will receive a tiara for her participation in the pageant. Winners will receive a trophy. Decisions of the judges are final and scores, score sheets, and other documents used in the adjudicating process will not be released to any person and are property of the BVFD.

### PAGEANT PHOTOS

Amy Anderson has been selected by the Buna Volunteer Fire Department as the official photographer of the Miss Buna Pageant. Little Miss Fireman pictures will be taken on February 25, 2017 at the Whitehead Building from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. This photo will appear in the newspaper and in the official pageant program, and will be used for the photogenic competition. Due to printing deadlines, the Buna Volunteer Fire Department reserves the right to select photos of contestants used for publicity purposes. Amy Anderson will be the only photographer permitted to set up photography equipment at the Miss Buna Pageant. Information will be provided for purchasing pictures for the night of the Pageant.

## REDBUD FESTIVAL PARADE

It is traditional for Little Miss Fireman contestants to participate in the Redbud Festival Parade held on Saturday, March 11, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. All contestants will ride together in a truck provided by the Buna Volunteer Fire Department. Contestants will wear the official Redbud Festival t-shirt that is available for purchase at the Buna Chamber of Commerce office on Main Street or by calling 409.994.5586. The parade number for the Little Miss Fireman Contestant truck will be assigned by the Buna Chamber of Commerce. At least one day prior to the parade, the parade line-up will be posted at the Chamber office. Please visit the Chamber office to confirm the parade number and where in the parade line-up the truck will be parked. Contestants are permitted to throw candy during the parade, however candy must be provided by parents. Contestants are not judged in any way during the parade. Please take your child to the restroom immediately before the parade starts, as there are not restrooms available along the parade line-up or route. Additional parade information is available by calling the Buna Chamber of Commerce office at the number above.

## PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENT

In appreciation of the Buna Volunteer Fire Department, Little Miss Fireman contestants are asked to sell program advertisements to businesses and/or individuals. An advertising contract is included in the contestant registration packet and contains additional information regarding program advertisement. Feel free to make additional copies of this form as needed. Program advertisements and monies must be submitted to the Pageant Director. Please note that advertisements purchased for the purpose of congratulating a pageant contestant may not include photos. **Ads are to be turned in no later than Saturday, February 4, 2017. Please turn in contracts as they are sold. Contracts may be turned in on the deadline at the fire hall or text Todd Walters at 409-781-4424 and he will arrange to meet with you.**

## COMPETITION & ATTIRE

Little Miss Fireman contestants will compete in only Formal Wear competition. A long or short frilly pageant dress should be worn. WHITE is reserved for the reigning Little Miss Fireman and no contestant will be permitted to model a white gown. As this is a local pageant, dresses should not have excessive rhinestones or embellishments. Hair extensions, artificial hair, and artificial teeth are not permitted. A staging room will be made available for contestants to change clothes. One (1) person will be allowed per contestant in the staging room. A female parent/guardian or other adult must remain with each contestant at all times in the staging room. Please take contestants to the restroom immediately before their portion of the competition begins. A member of the Pageant Committee will notify contestants when it is time to enter the backstage area in preparation for competition. At that time, parents may be seated in the audience for the Little Miss Fireman competition. Parents, friends, family, etc. are not allowed in the backstage area with contestants. Please be respectful of Buna ISD, the Buna Volunteer Fire Department, and the Pageant Committee by removing all trash and personal items from the staging room upon exit after the pageant. The Buna Volunteer Fire Department is not responsible for items remaining at the venue after the pageant and all items remaining will be discarded.

## REHEARSAL

Rehearsal is MANDATORY and will be held Friday, March 10, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Buna ISD Activity Building. Please arrange for a timely arrival to rehearsal, as it will not be delayed due to late contestants. Miss Buna contestants rehearse immediately following Little Miss Fireman contestants. One (1) adult may accompany Little Miss Fireman contestants to rehearsal. Friends, family members, siblings, and other children are not permitted. Please take your child to use the restroom immediately before rehearsal begins.

## CROWNING OF LITTLE MISS FIREMAN

To prevent misunderstandings during the awards presentation, please instruct your child to step forward should she hear her name called. This will also be practiced during rehearsal. After Little Miss Fireman is crowned all award recipients should remain on the stage briefly for photos. Parents, family, friends, and others will not be allowed on stage, as the Miss Buna competition will continue immediately following the crowning of Little Miss Fireman. Please meet your child in the staging room after the awards presentation. Winners should remain until after the crowning of Miss Buna for photos.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

The Pageant Director and Pageant Committee members may be contacted by using the following information. Text, voice, and email messages will be returned at the earliest convenience of the Committee members, generally after 4:00 p.m. due to work schedules.

### Registration, Little Miss Fireman Competition, Miss Buna Competition

Todd Walters	<a href="mailto:bvfdmissbunapageant@gmail.com">bvfdmissbunapageant@gmail.com</a>	409.994.2178
Toy Akridge		409.658.0126
Website	<a href="http://www.bvfdmissbunapageant.com">www.bvfdmissbunapageant.com</a>	



## **LITTLE MISS FIREMAN PAGEANT Liability Release and Acknowledgement of Policies**

Upon entering my child in the Little Miss Fireman Pageant, I acknowledge the policies and procedures outlined in the Contestant Information and Guidelines, have read and understand these policies, and will strictly adhere to each.

I will conduct myself appropriately at all times during all portions of pageant activities and in preparing for the pageant. Should I fail to do so or should I abuse, verbally or otherwise, any member of the Buna Volunteer Fire Department, Miss Buna Pageant Director, Committee, or volunteers in any way, I understand that my child will be prohibited from competing in this pageant at the discretion of the Buna Volunteer Fire Department.

I will unconditionally accept the decisions of the panel of judges as final.

With my signature I certify that any and all information provided to the Buna Volunteer Fire Department for the purpose of entering my child in the Little Miss Fireman Pageant is true and correct.

By my signature, I understand that the Buna Volunteer Fire Department, the Miss Buna Pageant Director, Committee, volunteers, designees, and agents are not liable for accidents, injuries, loss, theft, or any other personal or property damages resulting from my participation in any and all activities associated with the Little Miss Fireman Pageant.

I further understand that the owners of real property where Little Miss Fireman activities and events may take place, included but not limited to the Buna Volunteer Fire Department, Buna Independent School District, County of Jasper, Texas, and Buna Chamber of Commerce, their volunteers, designees, or agents, are not liable for accidents, injuries, loss, theft, or any other personal or property damages resulting from my participation in any and all activities occurring on their real property or in activities organized, hosted, or sponsored by these entities.

Contestant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent / Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## ADVERTISING CONTRACT

### 2017 Miss Buna Pageant Program

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Thank you for your support of the Miss Buna Pageant and the Buna Volunteer Fire Department through program advertisement. Please indicate your preferences below and include your payment made payable to BVFD.

### Advertisement purchased from:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Contestant Name)

### ADVERTISEMENT OPTIONS

(Circle one)

Full Page \$100

Half Page \$55

Quarter Page \$30

### INFORMATION

Please provide any information you would like included in your advertisement.

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### ARTWORK

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Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## MISS BUNA PAGEANT Calendar of Events

### January 2017

21 Contestant Registration Packet Available

### **Jan. 21 - Feb. 4**

Contestants may sell program advertisements for Official Pageant Program. TURN ADVERTISING CONTRACTS IN AS YOU SELL THEM!!!

### February 2017

4 Contestant Registration Packets, in their entirety, due; may be submitted to Pageant Director from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the BVFD Hall  
**NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

4 Advertising Contract Deadline

25 Pictures at the Whitehead Building from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

### March 2017

8 Pick up a copy of the Buna Beacon Redbud Edition to see your Miss Buna contestant photos

10 Mandatory Little Miss Fireman Rehearsal, 6:00 p.m. Buna ISD Activity Bldg. Don't forget pageant shoes!  
Will be given parade number.

11 Redbud Festival Parade, 10:00 a.m., downtown Buna

11 Miss Buna Pageant, 7:00 p.m., Buna ISD Activity Building; contestants must arrive by 6:30 p.m.



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Contestant Number:

Contestant Name:

Sponsor:

Parents:

Grandparents:

Age:

Hair Color:

Eye Color:

Favorite Color:

Favorite Food:

Hobby:

When she grows up she would like to be:



## Photo/Video Release Form

The Buna Volunteer Fire Department and Miss Buna Pageant has my permission to use my or my child's photograph/video to promote the Pageant. I understand that the images may be used in print publication, online publications, presentations, websites, and social media.

Contestant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_