

*The Miss MidState
Scholarship Pageant
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Dear Prospective Contestant:

We are pleased that you are considering entering the 2010 Miss MidState Scholarship Pageant. To prepare for entry into the pageant you should download the page of General Information about the Pageant, the Entry Application, the instructions for completing the "Fact Sheet," the "Fact Sheet," the instructions for the "Critical Issue Essay" and the "Talent Request Form."

The pageant will be held at the Hershey Area Playhouse at Country Meadows in Hershey on Sunday, January 17, 2010. **Deadline for Entry Applications, "Fact Sheets," "and Critical Issue Essays" is December 15, 2009. If we receive more application requests than can be accepted, the later applicants will be placed on a "waiting list" so it is important to submit your entry papers as soon as possible. Our maximum total number of contestants is 25. However, this includes both "Miss" and "Teen" Contestants.** To be considered an applicant for the pageant, you must have submitted the Application, Fact Sheet and Critical Issue Essay.. **Both the "Fact Sheet" and "Critical Issue Essay" should be typed** since they will go to the pageant judges.

Again this year, contestants will be required to raise \$100 for Children's Miracle Network in order to be permitted to compete in each local pageant. The instructions for raising these funds are explained on the "Entering the 2010 Pageant" page of our website. Also, please note that if you are entering other pageants prior to the Miss MidState Pageant that you are required to raise no more than \$400. If you have already raised that amount, please notify us. It is important that the CMN funds be raised by January 10, 2010 because if they have not been raised we cannot permit you to participate in the pageant. If your \$100 has not been raised by January 10, 2010 we will have to give your place on the contestant list to an alternate because it is essential that we have some planning time before the pageant,

Should you have questions concerning the pageant, please feel free to email me or to phone me at (717) 612-1912.

Sincerely,

Lisa Metzger
Executive Director