

MISS SARTELL – Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Miss Sartell pageant/organization? The Miss Sartell Organization was formed to give young women a fabulous opportunity to be empowered while serving and representing their community, developing lifelong skills to be their best self and to be a role model for others.

Do I need any experience in doing pageants because I've never done one before?

You do not need any prior experience or training to compete! In fact, most candidates have no prior experience and many winners are actually first time participants. We have a number of things planned during the week leading up to the pageant itself where you will be able to practice and learn everything you need to know to compete and begin developing valuable skills; all while making forever friends. Pageant “sisterhood” is REAL!

Is this a beauty pageant?

The most important thing to know about Miss Sartell is it is **NOT** a beauty pageant! A different perspective is that this is more of a “Personality Pageant” a phrase borrowed from another “pageant girl”. Chelsey B., Sauk Rapids ambassador 2014 to 2015, had this to say, "true beauty is on the inside and shown best when we are 100% ourselves."

What does the day of the pageant look like?

The morning consists of an interview in front of a panel of judges. Then at the pageant itself, you will be judged on an impromptu, on stage question and evening gown. These scores will be combined with the score you received from the essay that was turned in with your application.

What if I don't know answers to questions I may be asked during the interview or that impromptu, on stage question?

Every question asked will be one you already know the answer. No question is meant to “trick you” but only to get to know you better. The interview portion of competition should be viewed as similar to a job interview. The judges want to get to know you! The same is true for the on stage question which serves to measure poise and level of comfort in front of an audience. We realize this can be a bit intimidating and scary for many while, at the same time, this will most likely be the most valuable skill you will learn and it is one that will serve you well for a lifetime! Nearly everyone that has competed in a pageant will confirm this to be true.

What would I be doing if I win?

This is an opportunity for young ladies to serve their community. The “Sartell Summerfest” is the start of her and her Princesses’ reign and first parade appearance! The Sartell Royalty will be attending and volunteering at various events, such as red kettle bell ringing, BINGO at our local nursing home, attending our Sartell country lights festival, reading stories in our elementary schools, participating in “Sparkle Night” with the Minnesota Twins and making appearances in area parades around the state of Minnesota.

What is the biggest benefit to me if I enter?

Being an ambassador of Sartell is a great résumé builder! You will learn valuable life skills and boost your confidence. Chelsey B. (quoted earlier) also said that “being an ambassador changed my life in many ways.” She met her best friend, found confidence in herself, and found her voice. The best part of being an ambassador “is being a good role model for young kids. It's incredible seeing children at volunteer events and parades look at you like you are wonder woman.”

I have so much going on at school that I may not be able to fit everything in that is expected. What then? The Miss Sartell Organization encourages being involved and active in school and school activities! While community involvement and appearances will be expected, you are involved in the scheduling of events throughout your year of service.

JOIN US for this FIRST EVER chance to represent SARTELL!! Bring your friends with you and have a GREAT time participating and stepping out of your comfort zone, if that's what it means! We can't WAIT to meet you!!!!

SEE YOU SOON!!!!

Any additional questions or for an application, send us an email at sartellroyalty@gmail.com.