

Miss University of North Alabama

2020



Competition Date: January 25, 2020

OFFICIAL CONTESTANT PACKET

Thank you for your interest in the Miss University of North Alabama Competition! As an official preliminary Competition for the Miss Alabama/Miss America system, we are honored that you have chosen this competition to participate in. The Miss UNA Competition is a long-standing tradition at UNA, and we are excited about adding another great year to our history! The previous women who have competed and worn the crown of Miss UNA have always demonstrated grace, sophistication, poise, intelligence, and a commitment to excellence in all they do; and we expect nothing less from our 2019 contestants.

Please read through this packet of vital competition information. It includes all the necessary information you will need to become an official competitor in the 2020 Miss UNA Competition.

For questions not answered in this packet, please contact the Office of Student Engagement.
256-765-4248.

Instructions

Registration To Do List:

___ Packets are due by Wed., Oct. 23 by 4:00 pm to the Student Engagement Desk.

The number of contestants will be limited to the first 21 women who turn in completed packets.

___ Headshots (Contestants must get headshots at no charge on October 24 at Butler Studio)

Time slots are 15 minutes from 2pm-6:30pm.

Please visit <https://calendly.com/missuna/15-minute-photo-shoot> to make your appointment or call Student Engagement at 256-765-4248 if you need assistance.

___ Get an official copy of your Birth Certificate

___ Contestant Orientation is November 7, 2019 at 5:15pm in Student Engagement

(An optional Interview Prep Workshop will immediately follow)

Completed packets must include the following:

Please make the necessary copies and turn in packet as a whole.

<u>Pages in this document:</u>	<u>Pages</u>
() Signed Miss UNA Contract.....	3-4
() Introduction form.....	5
() Biography for Publicity.....	6
() Talent Request form.....	7

Pages on the Miss Alabama Website

() Candidate Supplemental Sheet (AKA Contract Acknowledgement)

This form can be downloaded from www.missalabama.com/how-to-enter

() Social Impact Initiative Essay (formerly the platform) (2 Copies)

Instructions and a sample can be downloaded from www.missalabama.com/how-to-enter

() Resume (2 copies)

Instructions and a sample can be downloaded from www.missalabama.com

Attachments:

() Copy of UNA transcript*.....(Print off)

() Official Copy of Birth Certificate(Get from your home county Health Dept.)

Note: Please write legibly

The Following Items are Due at Contestant Orientation:

() Miss Alabama Local Contestant Contract www.missalabama.com/how-to-enter

This is your document to keep, but it must be signed by Miss America Local Pageant in which you compete.

() Miss UNA Rising Star Contact & Bio Form.....9

() \$100 on your UNA missamericaforkids.org CMN qualification report

www.missalabama.com/how-to-enter (CMN MAO GUIDE)

() 90 second talent music (if applicable) on CD and emailed to missuna@una.edu

() Contestant Ads (Optional)

**Freshmen must turn this in separate from original packet by January 13th 2020 to reflect one full semester of completed coursework with a 2.5 or higher GPA at UNA.*

Miss University of North Alabama

Miss University of North Alabama Local Contract

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

The Miss UNA Competition is organized as a nonprofit University event whose express purposes include:

1. The provision of scholarship funds.
2. The representation, with integrity and character, of the University of North Alabama, throughout the course of public appearances by Miss UNA.
3. The promotion of UNA for recruiting students, and representing the University and other Miss UNA sponsors as directed by the Competition Director or University President.

DEFINITION OF RELATIONSHIPS

1. Miss UNA must realize and recognize the fact that for the year (a year is equivalent to the period of time extending from the 2020 to 2021 Miss UNA Competition) of her reign she will and must be Miss UNA, rather than herself. She must maintain immaculate personal grooming whether on campus, going shopping, or on any personal errands. She is Miss UNA wherever she goes and must look the part. Miss UNA is, in a way, a celebrity, a name, and a public servant, all of which must supersede her personal life, desires and former commitments.
2. The Miss UNA Competition, through the Competition Director who serves as General Chairman of the Competition, has absolute management control of Miss UNA for the entire year of her reign. This statement includes all appearances, on and off campus activities as Miss UNA, parties and/or anything concerning her whereabouts, which may include an introduction as Miss UNA.
3. Management coordination is most important to insure efficient management. To insure efficient management of Miss UNA in a harmonious manner, Miss UNA will:
 - a. Refer ALL appearance requests to the Competition Director.
 - b. Refer ALL press, radio, or TV requests to the Competition Director.
 - c. Refer ALL endorsement requests to the Competition Director.
 - d. Honor and fulfill all approved appearances scheduled by the Competition Director.
 - e. Properly prepare herself to adequately and successfully meet the requirements of approved appearances.
 - f. Meet weekly with Competition Director during fall and spring semesters
4. Alternates and vacancies: The Miss UNA Competition selects a first, second, and third alternate. In the event Miss UNA becomes Miss Alabama or is no longer eligible to serve, the first alternate will take her place but be unable to compete in the next Miss UNA Competition. Within 2 days of the vacancy, the first alternate must decide if she will serve or cede the crown to the second alternate (second has the option to cede to third) if any would rather compete than hold the title. The first alternate that cedes the crown will also forfeit her scholarship and prizes. If an alternate becomes Miss UNA before Miss Alabama for any reason other than death, terminal illness or extensive hospitalization/recovery, Miss UNA will forfeit her scholarship and prizes and the alternate will be entitled to Miss UNA's scholarships instead of those awarded to her at Miss UNA. If an alternate becomes Miss UNA after Miss Alabama, she will only receive the first alternate's scholarship package. In the event that the Miss UNA selected at competition is replaced by the first, second or third alternate, and the alternate can no longer serve, the title will remain unfilled until the next competition. (In other words, no more than 2 individuals can have the Miss UNA title during one competition cycle.

THE MISS UNA COMPETITION WILL:

1. Confirm all appearances and requirements pertaining thereto.
2. Ascertain that all prizes, scholarships and gifts are presented to Miss UNA.
3. Screen all appearance requests and protect Miss UNA from undesirable appearances.
4. Maintain Miss UNA's calendar and notify her with adequate notice of each appearance.

5. Provide for adequate training, coaching, rehearsal, etc., for the role as Miss UNA.
6. Arrange for and execute all press coverage for all appearances.
7. Assist in the provision and approval of an ample wardrobe for the Miss Alabama Competition.

MISS UNA MUST:

Character/Image

1. Present a warm, friendly attitude and welcoming presence during her appearances and in public, as she can always be identified or introduced as Miss UNA.
2. Present herself in all public matters and forums with respect, decorum, and class. Miss UNA must present herself (appearances, media interviews, social networking sites, etc.) in a manner that does not draw negative attention to her words or image. She will refrain from using slang and curse words, public gossiping, and allowing/posing/posting of controversial pictures of herself.
3. Provide her own wardrobe requirements over and above those provided by the University and sponsor wardrobe allowance.
4. Maintain her wardrobe in a cleaned and pressed condition.
5. Maintain her body as to be free from visible tattoos and body piercing (except ears) and to maintain personal fitness.
6. Agree that her services are extraordinary and unique and there is no adequate remedy at law for a breach of this agreement, and in the event of such a breach or attempted or threatened breach, the Miss UNA Competition will be entitled to equitable relief by terminating her right to the title of Miss UNA and therefore relinquishing all scholarships and prizes awarded.

REQUIRED DUTIES:

1. Represent, with integrity and character, the University of North Alabama throughout the course of public appearances.
2. Promote UNA through recruiting students, and representing the University and other Miss UNA sponsors as directed by the Competition Director or University President.
3. Emcee for University Program Council's Events including Step Sing, Homecoming Pep Rally, & Talent Show
4. Attend Freshman and Transfer Orientation Express (SOAR). If Miss UNA is not able to attend, she must contact the first runner up to cover her appearances during sessions.
5. Attend Preview Day. If Miss UNA is not able to attend, she must contact the first runner up to cover her appearance.
6. Attend all contestant interest meetings for the Miss UNA Competition.
7. Responsible for planning and implementing a fundraiser for the Miss UNA Competition.
8. Maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 and full-time status throughout the Miss UNA reign.
9. Maintain 2 office hours in the Student Engagement Center each week during Fall and Spring Semester
10. Manage the awards table on-stage at the University Awards Gala

*First Runner Up Note: In the event the First Runner-up to Miss UNA is asked to fulfill the role and duties as Miss UNA, the First Runner-up will be entitled to all unused scholarship monies and prizes that were given to the originally crowned Miss UNA. The university and Miss UNA sponsors are not required to provide the exact original scholarships and prizes to the First Runner-up if they are asked to fulfill the duties of Miss UNA.

I, _____, a Miss UNA contestant, have read the contents of this agreement and understand all conditions, rules and regulations set forth by the Miss UNA Competition, and further commit to abide by these rules both as a contestant and in the event I should win the title of Miss UNA.

Signature of Contestant

Signature of Parents for Contestants under age 19



Miss **UNA**
SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT

2019 Introduction Form

Information for Introduction:

Name _____ Age: (ON Jan. 25, 20220) _____ Contestant# _____

Major _____

Parents' names _____

Parents' city and state _____

Platform _____

****if acronym, please write out all words for meaning.**

Information for Talent Introduction

Please describe your talent as you want it read on competition night. For any performance piece, please include the composer and/or author, and reference any book, film, or play the piece originated from if applicable. If selecting dance, specify type (ballet, jazz, etc):

(example: Jayne Doe will perform a dance interpretation of Dolly Parton's "9 to 5" made famous by the Movie and the Popular Broadway Musical "9 to 5")

Information for Red Carpet Glam Introduction:

Personal Impact Statement (Must be under 10 seconds)



Contestant Number _____

BIOGRAPHY FOR PUBLICITY

FULL NAME _____ **AGE (Jan. 25, 2020)** _____

HOMETOWN _____

PARENTS' NAME _____

PARENTS' ADDRESS _____

CLASSIFICATION _____

MAJOR(S) _____ **MINOR(S)** _____

TALENT _____ **TALENT AUTHOR/COMPOSER** _____

TALENT TITLE _____

PLATFORM _____

PLATFORM SUMMARY _____

COLLEGE HONORS OR AWARDS _____

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES AND/OR ORGANIZATIONS _____

PAGEANT EXPERIENCE _____

HOBBIES _____

CAREER GOALS _____



Contestant Number _____

TALENT REQUEST FORM – For Technical Director

FULL NAME _____
Last First Middle Preferred

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____
Home School/Cell Work

DATE OF BIRTH _____

TALENT _____

NAME OF SELECTION _____

COMPOSER OR AUTHOR _____

Check all that Apply:

I WILL USE DIGITAL MUSICAL ACCOMPANIEMENT _____

I WILL USE PROPS _____

I WILL WEAR TALENT COSTUME OTHER THAN AN EVENING GOWN? _____

*In order to secure talent, this form must be turned in with all other documentation by the deadline of October 25, 2019 at 4pm.

Miss University of North Alabama Rising Star Program

An opportunity for young ladies in the Shoals Area to be mentored by Miss UNA contestants in order to become the stars of tomorrow!

Requirements of Rising Star

- ❖ Must be female, age 7-11 (by June 2020).
- ❖ Must be willing to attend a rehearsal on Friday, January 24, 2020 from 5pm through the completion of the Competition at UNA's Norton Auditorium.
- ❖ Must be present for the Miss UNA Competition on Saturday, January 25, 2020 from 4pm through the completion of Competition at UNA's Norton Auditorium.
- ❖ The Rising Star of the new Miss UNA 2020 must be willing to participate in the Rising Star program at the Miss Alabama Competition in June 2020 (exact dates TBA) at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama. *(The Rising Star will only be required to be in attendance one of those days.)*

Requirements of Miss UNA Contestant

- ❖ Meet with your rising star at least ONCE before the Miss UNA Competition
- ❖ You may want to leave something for your Rising Star on the gift table the night of the competition. You might leave a card, an inexpensive gift, a flower, a bag of candy; the gift need not be expensive.
- ❖ If you need assistance finding a girl for your Rising Star please contact Ms. Lisa Darnell at lvdarnell@una.edu, on Facebook, or in Communications Building 120C by October 24, 2020.

Benefits

- ❖ Picture and bio. information in program book
- ❖ Picture with mentor and Miss UNA 2019
- ❖ On-stage introduction with mentor, flower presentation
- ❖ Etiquette tea with mentor
- ❖ Entrance to competition & front of house seating
- ❖ Program book
- ❖ THE RISING STAR OF THE NEW MISS UNA 2019 WILL ATTEND THE MISS ALABAMA COMPETITION AS MISS UNA'S RISING STAR (the Miss UNA Competition will pay the Miss Alabama Rising Star fee, but not the Miss Alabama event tickets (Approximately \$35 per ticket per night for parents/family) AND WILL RECEIVE ADDITIONAL BENEFITS ON THE STATE LEVEL AS THE LOCAL LEVEL.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, Jan. 24, 2020

4:45-9pm Mandatory Dress Rehearsal, Norton Auditorium (must bring dress & shoes)

**A Parent meeting will be held during the Dress Rehearsal

Saturday, January 25, 2020

3:30pm Etiquette Tea Party, GUC Banquet Hall A (be dressed for Pageant)

4pm Norton for Pageant

5pm Miss UNA Pageant

Contestant Number _____

Rising Star CONTACT & BIO INFORMATION**NAME**
_____**AGE ON JANUARY 25th 2020** _____ **DATE OF BIRTH** _____
T-SHIRT SIZE _____**PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME(S)**
_____**ADDRESS**
_____**PHONE NUMBER** _____ **EMAIL** _____**SCHOOL** _____ **GRADE LEVEL** _____**MENTOR**
_____**HOBBIES**
_____***ATTACH AND EMAIL TO TTTHOMPSON@UNA.EDU ONE CURRENT PHOTO
(Head Shot Only- Recent School Photo is Ideal)*****\$65 PARTICIPATION FEE (Make checks payable to UNA; Fee includes a Miss UNA T-shirt)****STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING**

I understand that by signing this agreement that my child, _____, will be a participant in the Miss University of North Alabama Rising Star Program. I agree to provide all necessary information required on this document and ensure my child's attendance at the rehearsal and the pageant activities. I also understand that if my child's mentor is selected as Miss UNA 2020 that my child must attend the Miss Alabama Pageant in June 2020 as Miss UNA's Rising Star.

Signature_____
Date**QUESTIONS? Contact:** Lisa Darnell at lvdarnell@una.edu or 256.765.4596


2020 Miss UNA Contestant Ad

Promote your favorite Business or Student Organization!

Let your family and friends tell everyone how proud they are!

Don't miss your chance!

SELL AN AD in the MISS UNA PROGRAM BOOK!

Complete this form along with ad and a check for the Miss UNA Foundation. All materials must be submitted by November 1st. Forms can be turned in to the Office of Student Engagement or included with your registration packet.

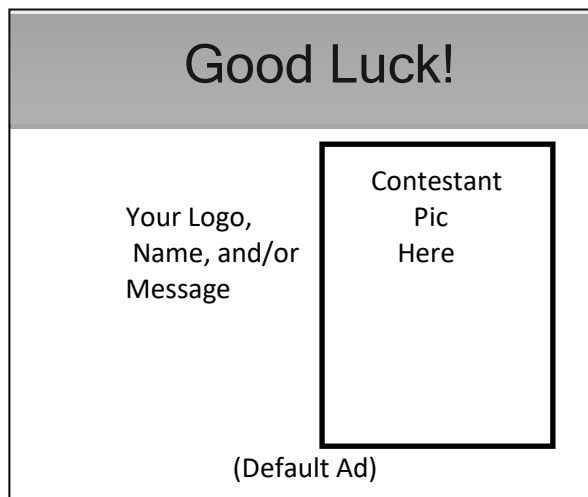
Name of Contestant _____

Name of Sponsor: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone# _____

Contact E-mail: _____

- Ads are \$50.00 each for ½ page black and white.
- You may custom design your ad
Dimensions: 4.75 in. x 3.25 in.
- Submit ads electronically to
 - To: tthompson@una.edu
 - Subject: Miss UNA Ad
- Ads and Checks are due November 8, 2019 by 4pm
- If no electronic ad is received by Nov. 9, you will have a default ad as pictured to the right.
- Full page ads are \$100
- Top seller receives 2 free tickets to Miss Alabama Crowning Night in June
(Top seller must sell at least 4)

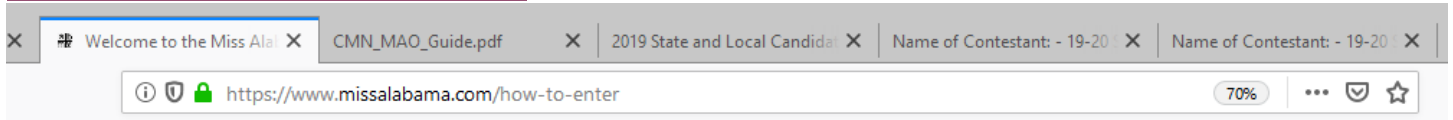


All artwork for advertisements are due with this form. Please send artwork electronically if possible.

All Materials must be received by November 8, 2019.

Important Documents and the Miss Alabama Webpage

www.missalabama.com/how-to-enter



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How to Enter Miss Alabama

2019- 2020 Miss Alabama Requirements and Forms

Each contestant must raise a minimum of \$100 for the Children's Miracle Network to compete in a Miss Alabama local competition. If you compete in more than one local competition, you must raise a minimum of \$100 for each local competition you enter up to a total of \$400. Once you have raised a total of \$400, you are not required to raise more money and can enter as many local competitions for which you qualify in the current competition year. However, the \$300 is just a minimum; you may raise more money for CMN if you wish to do so.

To administer the CMN fundraising, each candidate must do the following:

1. Create your personal web page on the CMN web site (see the CMN MAO Guide.pdf below for details).
2. Raise the required funds for CMN.
3. Print out proof of money raised to bring with you to the local competition, or mail it in with your other paperwork. Your minimum CMN funds need to be posted to your CMN personal fundraising page before the day of the competition. Checks should be made out to CMN (not the local pageant). Please try to avoid bringing a check with you the day of the competition.

To enter a Miss Alabama Local Competition the following items are required:

1. Candidate Resume
2. Candidate Social Impact Initiative Essay
3. Local Contract (contact each local competition for their local contract)
4. Photo (contact each local competition for their photo requirements)
5. Proof of Children's Miracle Network fundraising (see Contract Acknowledgement)
6. Candidate Supplemental Sheet

Click on the links below to access the forms. Adobe Reader is needed to complete some of these forms. Please note that you cannot save the forms in Adobe Reader; any changes must be made at the time of completing the form. After completing the forms, print them, make copies, and use them to enter the local competitions. **Please send six copies of the Candidate Resume and Candidate Social Impact Initiative Essay to the individual competitions you enter.**

[Candidate Supplemental Sheet](#)

[Instructions for Candidate Resume](#)

[Sample Candidate Resume](#)

[Instructions for Candidate Social Impact Initiative Essay](#)

[Sample Social Impact Initiative Essay](#)

[CMN MAO Guide](#)

[Contract \(Fillable\)](#)

[Contract \(Non Fillable\)](#)

We wish you all the best on your journey toward becoming Miss America! There are many rewards awaiting you. Whether or not you ever win a title or wear a crown, the opportunities and possibilities along the way are endless!