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2004 Pre-Teen California (Sr.)

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THE AMERICAN ACADEMY
FOR PRE-TEEN ACHIEVERS

PRESENTS

Pre-Teen California

Scholarship and Recognition Program

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Samantha Moss
Soledad, CA

2004 Pre-Teen California (Jr.)

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

We would like to cordially invite you to apply for participation in The 2005 Pre-Teen California Scholarship & Recognition Program to be held **September 23-September 25** in Bakersfield, CA. The beautiful Holiday Inn Select will serve as official headquarters for the event. You have been recommended as a participant in the 2005 Pre-Teen California Program based on your school academic record, awards and honors and/or your participation in outside activities.

Pre-Teen California is not a beauty pageant, it is, however, a by-invitation-only scholarship and recognition event. Only young ladies 7-12 years of age who have a high academic ranking or who are recognized for their outstanding personal achievements, volunteer services, school involvement, leadership abilities or creative talents are invited to participate.

THE PRE-TEEN CALIFORNIA PROGRAM WILL AWARD OVER \$5,000.00 IN EDUCATIONAL BONDS, PRIZES AND AWARDS. EACH STATE FINALIST WILL RECEIVE SPECIFIC RECOGNITION AWARDS.

Pre-Teen California (Sr. Division) will be selected from state finalists 10-12 years of age. **Pre-Teen California** (Jr. Division) will be selected from state finalists 7-9 years of age. There will be four runners-up in each Division.

In addition, both the Jr. and Sr. division winners, Runners-up and the optional Speech and Talent category winners will all qualify for participation in the 2006 Pre-Teen America National Competition to be held July 2-7, 2006 in beautiful Birmingham, Alabama with an opportunity to compete for over \$25,000 in EDUCATIONAL BONDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES and AWARDS.

THE PRE-TEEN AMERICA PROGRAM, now in its 15th year of wholesome family activity, believes that everyone who participates is a winner. Each participant will have the experience of making friends with other outstanding young ladies from throughout the state. Besides recognizing each participant's achievements, our goal is to foster fun, friendship, self-improvement and self-confidence. Each state finalist will also receive a participation award.

If selected as a state finalist, a sponsorship fee is required. Businesses and community organizations, as well as, family, friends, teachers, coaches and church affiliates all make excellent possibilities for sponsors. The sponsorship fee is \$325.00 and covers auditorium and production costs, staff, scholarships, prizes and awards, 2 meals for the state finalists, as well as, a catered autograph party. State Finalists and their families will be responsible for securing and paying for their own hotel room if one is needed. State Finalists will stay with their parents in their hotel room. Special discounted rates will be offered for the event. Sponsors will be advertised in the state souvenir program book as part of the roster of State Finalists. **PLEASE DO NOT** secure your sponsor(s) until you are notified of your selection as an official state finalist. Information pertaining to securing a sponsor(s) will be included in the information packet which will be sent to those selected to participate in the State Event. Sponsor fees are tax deductible as an advertising expense by any business that sponsors you.

After reading the enclosed information **CAREFULLY**, please fill out the information below and return within 7 days from the time you received your application or as soon thereafter as possible. You will be notified by mail within 10 days from our receipt of your application as to your acceptance status. The number of state finalists accepted must be limited due to size limitations of the hotel auditorium, so please mail immediately so that you may have an opportunity to be a part of this memorable and exciting experience!

If you have any questions at this point, do refer them to Pre-Teen Headquarters or refer to our website at www.preteenamerica.com. Our office hours are 10 A.M.- 5 P.M. Monday-Friday (C.S.T.). We will be more than happy to answer your questions and to assist you in any way possible.

Best wishes and good luck!

Patricia Daniel
National Director

"My daughter, Jocelyne, participated in the Pre-Teen California Scholarship and Recognition program. I highly recommend this program due to several factors. It is a program that is based on Academic Achievement, Personal Development and Leadership Ability. Through this program, Jocelyne not only had lots of fun but was also given the opportunity to meet many other outstanding Pre-Teens from across the nation. Her self-esteem level was significantly increased, and she became much more confident about herself. Jocelyne participated in this program at the age of 12. I wish that we had been aware of the program during her earlier years. Seize the opportunity and do not hesitate to participate."

Mona Liu — Cupertino, CA

"I would like to congratulate all the people who helped to produce the Pre-Teen California Scholarship & Recognition Program! It was a fantastic program and my daughter and I enjoyed it immensely. As a parent, I know how much the girls gain from being in a program such as Pre-Teen — they learn self-confidence, how to work in a group (the production number), how to handle pressure (the knowledgeability test, the interview, the on-stage acknowledgment of accomplishments, as well as, the optional speech and talent presentations), how to be responsible (thanking sponsors), etc. It also gives them a wonderful opportunity to get to know other young ladies with similar characteristics and interests from other parts of the state (and country!). My husband and I can't praise or thank you enough. BRAVO!"

Dana & Phil Matthews, Attorney-at-Law — Pleasant Hill, CA

"Participating in the Pre-Teen California program was a very fulfilling experience for our daughter, Nicole. It was demanding, but it was also very exciting. The program requires participants to draw upon all areas of their past learning experiences and there is an emphasis placed on being a well rounded person. Participation in this program can only result in enhanced confidence and self-esteem. Additionally, Nicole made many new friends that she stays in contact with regularly by mail and by e-mail."

Larry & Liz Manly — Long Beach, CA

"Thank you for a wonderful year of support by your organization to benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children. Your philanthropy is very much appreciated and will make a positive difference in the lives of the children that come to us for help."

Edgar McGonigal — Shriners Hospitals for Children — Tampa, FL



SCHOOL HONORS & ACTIVITIES



FUN! FRIENDSHIP! EXCITEMENT!



SPIRITUAL INVOLVEMENT



VOLUNTEER SERVICE TO COMMUNITY



ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT



DEVELOPMENT OF PERSONAL SKILLS AND ABILITIES

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE — "A TRIBUTE TO THE FIFTIES"

DAY 1

- 11:30 a.m. Registration
- 2:00 p.m. Briefing Session/State Finalists and Parents
- 2:45 p.m. General Knowledgeability Test
- 3:30 p.m. Production Rehearsal
- 5:00 p.m. State Finalists' Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Speech Competition (Optional)
Talent Competition (Optional)

DAY 2

- 9:00 a.m. State Finalists' Breakfast
- 9:30 a.m. Production Rehearsal
- 1:30 p.m. Interviews
- 7:00 p.m. On-Stage Acknowledgement of Accomplishments
- 9:30 p.m. Production Rehearsal
- 10:00 p.m. State Finalists' Autograph Party

DAY 3

- 9:45 a.m. Group Photo Taken
- 11:00 a.m. **PRE-TEEN FINALS**



**** THE EVALUATION FORMAT ****

(age of State Finalist, as well as, city and school size are considered)

1. **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT**20%
Each State Finalist's scholastic records are reviewed in terms of grade average, nature of subjects taken and significant test scores.
2. **VOLUNTEER SERVICE TO COMMUNITY**10%
Each State Finalist is evaluated on the basis of number of hours devoted to volunteer work for her community or place of worship and diversity of services rendered.
3. **SCHOOL HONORS AND ACTIVITIES**10%
Club and organizational memberships, academic honors, student of the week/month, perfect attendance, leadership, citizenship, art and athletic awards will be evaluated.
4. **DEVELOPMENT OF PERSONAL SKILLS AND ABILITIES**.....10%
Evaluation Committee will examine State Finalist's hobbies, special talents, abilities and interests.
5. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGEABILITY**15%
Each State Finalist will take a written test (multiple choice) to measure her general awareness in a variety of areas such as current trends and common sense. (Jr. & Sr. divisions will be given separate tests.)
6. **COMMUNICATIVE ABILITY**.....20%
Each State Finalist is evaluated on her general ability to express herself and exhibit age appropriate knowledgeability in an interview with our Evaluation Committee.
7. **ON-STAGE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS**.....15%
Each State Finalist will be recognized on stage for her abilities, achievements and accomplishments. (Sunday type dress suggested).

At the State Event, in addition to a participation award, each participant will receive specific recognition including awards in each of the seven evaluation categories, Individual Age Division Awards, as well as, Merit Finalist Awards, Special Evaluation Committee Awards, Awards for Athletic Abilities and for accomplishments in the Arts. Additional awards will be presented for Outstanding Citizenship, Best Thank You Note To Sponsor, Most Talented, Best Public Speaker, Spirit of Pre-Teen America and much, much more!

- PLEASE PRINT IN INK OR TYPE.
- **PLEASE RETURN WITHIN 7 DAYS** FROM THE TIME YOU RECEIVED YOUR APPLICATION OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE.
- ENCLOSE A WALLET-SIZE PICTURE OR SNAPSHOT - (PICTURE WILL NOT BE RETURNED)
(These photographs are used for identification purposes only and are not utilized in any manner for evaluation or screening of state finalists)
- WRITE YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, CITY, AND STATE ON THE BACK OF YOUR PHOTO.

Please Return to
Pre-Teen California
National Headquarters
P.O. Box 14328
Baton Rouge, LA 70898

Full Name _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____
 Address _____ City _____ County _____ Zip _____
 Parent(s) or Guardian(s) _____ Phone () _____
 Grade in School *(Please Circle)* 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Grade Average *(Please Circle)* A+ A B+ B or Equivalent _____
 School Name and Address _____
 Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____
 Application received at: Home School E-mail: _____



"TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF"

Briefly list information pertaining to the following areas.....

Academic Awards/Honors _____

Athletic Activities _____

Participation in the Arts (music, dance, drama, etc) _____

School Clubs/Organizations _____

Church/Community Activities _____

** PARENTS PLEASE READ **

Parents, your daughter may have received this official application through her school. Please understand that students were not recommended by the school, in most instances, but through Honor Roll listings published in your local newspaper. In addition, your daughter may have received this Scholarship and Recognition Program information because she was recommended by a past participant and/or she was recognized publicly for her achievements. Before calling to inquire as to how we acquired your daughter's name, please be aware that potential participants are recommended to our office on a daily basis nationwide and we do not routinely record the source of the recommendations received.

If selected to participate, your daughter will be guided by an excellent and experienced staff. This is not a beauty pageant, but rather a Scholarship and Recognition Program that promotes family values, high moral and ethical standards, ecological awareness, patriotism and enhanced self esteem. As you read our materials we hope you will discover the positive influence that this program could have on your daughter. We welcome the entire family to come and experience this positive influence throughout the weekend. We hope that you will support your daughter's efforts to become a State Program finalist.

The **PRE-TEEN AMERICA PROGRAM** was founded in 1990 by Patricia Daniel of Baton Rouge, La. Pre-Teen America subscribes to the policies and procedures of professional business ethics. Further references will be furnished upon request.

** RULES OF ENTRY **

1. State finalists must be female and 7-12 years old on the first day of the State Event.
2. State finalists must possess a valid social security number.