

Bellevue/South Marion Chamber of Commerce
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**The 2019 Bellevue Founder's Day Pageant
Rules and Information**

<u>Division</u>	<u>Entry Fee</u>	<u>Age</u>
A. Baby Miss Bellevue	\$35.00	1 month – 12 months
B. Baby Mr. Bellevue	\$35.00	1 month – 12 months
C. Tiny Miss Bellevue	\$35.00	13 months – 23 months
D. Tiny Mr. Bellevue	\$35.00	13 months – 23 months
E. Toddler Miss Bellevue	\$35.00	2 – 4 years
F. Toddler Mr. Bellevue	\$35.00	2 – 4 years
G. Little Miss Bellevue	\$35.00	5 – 7 years
H. Young Miss Bellevue	\$35.00	8 – 10 years
AA Junior Miss Bellevue	\$35.00	11 – 14 years
BB Teen Miss Bellevue	\$35.00	15 – 16 years
CC Miss Bellevue	\$35.00	17 - 21 years

Applicants for Miss Bellevue must be 17-21 years of age, a Jr. or Sr. at a Marion County High School or a former graduate from either high school who is attending college or trade school. Home schooled students may also apply.

Entry Rules

1. The pageant will begin with division A at 10:00 AM and division AA will begin at 1:30 PM on May 4th. Arrival times will be discussed at orientation. Contestant fee is \$35.00. Dress is your choice of costume, pageant attire, or Sunday best.
2. Contestants for Miss Bellevue are to attach a minimum of one page, typed essay, to their application when they turn it in. The topic for the 2019 essay is: "Define what the word 'responsibility' means to you. Then, write about what you feel most responsible for."

Entry deadline is Monday, April 22nd, 2019 at 3 PM.
\$5.00 Late fee for any application turned in past the deadline.
NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER April 28, 2019.

All entries and fees are to be submitted to: Bellevue/South Marion Chamber of Commerce, 5331 SE Abshier Blvd., Bellevue, FL 34420. For more information call the Chamber at 352-245-2178.

Orientation Information

Orientation is Tuesday, April 30th, at 5:30 PM for divisions A-H and 6:00 PM for divisions AA-CC at Lake Lillian at the splash park area. Orientation is mandatory for all participants and their parents or guardian. We will be going over the rules and times that each category will be participating, and any questions or concerns will be addressed at that time.

2019 Belleview Founder's Day Pageant Contestant Rules

1. Contest to be held the first Saturday in May.
2. Miss Belleview contestants are to be between the ages of 17 and 21, a resident of Marion County, or a former graduate from a Marion County high school who is attending college or trade school.
3. Miss Belleview contestants are to be single.
4. Contestants must live within Marion County with a Marion County address.
5. A contestant may move up or down a category if the age is within 6 months or more of another birthday. This decision must be agreed upon by the parent and pageant coordinator. This must be done at the time the application is submitted. **NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE TO AGE GROUP AFTER APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED.**
6. A former title holder may compete in the same age group if he or she sits out a year in between.
7. A former title holder may compete in the next age group the following year if his or her age is older and meets the criteria for the next age group.
8. Identical twins may compete as one unit or individually, both will pay a per person entry fee. If they choose to compete as one, there will be only one set of prizes awarded.
9. The contestant that wins the title of Miss Belleview must ride as Royalty in the Chamber Christmas parade in Belleview the year she wins the title. Documentation must be submitted to the Chamber office for committee approval.
10. These rules are to be reviewed for changes each year by the Founder's Day Committee. The rules must be approved by the Founder's Day Committee and the Board of Director's.
11. Miss Belleview will be expected to attend the 2020 Founder's Day Pageant to crown the next year's winner.
12. Miss Belleview will volunteer 4 hours a month at any organization she chooses, wearing her crown and sash to the volunteer activities, representing the City of Belleview. The volunteer hours must be documented and reported to the Belleview Chamber of Commerce on a monthly basis.