

**Momence Gladiolus Festival Association
Princess & Queen Contract**

Candidates for princess must be attending 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade in the fall of the upcoming school year. Candidates must reside in the Momence School District.

Candidates for queen must be a sophomore, junior or senior in the fall of the upcoming school year. Candidates must reside in the Momence School District.

The Royalty Selection Committee will select the top 5 candidates in each race with an overall winner that will reign as the Princess/Queen over the festival.

**As a contestant who enters the Momence Gladiolus Festival
Princess and Queen Election, I agree to the following:**

Each candidate for both races will be required to attend an informational meeting. At the meeting, they will be required to write a short essay on a topic that will be announced that day. This will count for 75% of the selection process.

Each candidate for both races will be interviewed by the Royalty Selection Committee. This will count for 25% of the selection process.

A committee of non-Momence residents will select the top 5 candidates in each race, and an overall winner who will reign over the festival as the Princess/Queen. The selection process will be based on the content in the essay.

The top five (5) candidates will be informed the evening of the meeting. The overall winners (Princess/Queen) will be sealed away and announced coronation night.

To have a photo taken by the photographer hired by the Gladiolus Festival Association on the scheduled date. Failure to attend will result in no photo

displayed in City Hall/newspapers before or during the Gladiolus Festival. Candidates must be appropriately dressed for pictures, or will be sent home with no picture taken.

To be present at all publicity, promotional trips, and special occasions that are scheduled by the Gladiolus Festival Association. Candidates are required to represent the Momence Gladiolus Festival Association in a professional manner. Each candidate is responsible for transportation to and from all events. If unable to attend, approval to miss the event must be obtained by the Momence Gladiolus Festival Association. The Momence Gladiolus Festival Association will excuse missed events due to educational programs, however, vacations are not excused. The Gladiolus Festival Association will be entering Queen/Princess into other community parades. Winners are required to attend all parades. The board will allow one (1) absence, but must be brought to the board's attention prior to the event.

To be at the float 15 minutes prior to the parade start time for all parades.

All candidates will be required to wear floor length formals coronation night and during each parade, or will not be able to participate in the event. Candidates and their families are required to show good sportsmanship at all times. Any kind of internet bashing/bullying will not be tolerated under any circumstances.

Any candidate failing to meet these guidelines can be disqualified by a majority vote of the Momence Gladiolus Festival Association. Candidates who are disqualified or quit prior to the end of the Gladiolus Festival events will forfeit all awards received from the Momence Gladiolus Festival Association. All candidates and parents are required to attend an informational meeting on Saturday, May 16, 12 P.M. at Sammy's Pizza in Momence. Essays and interviews will be conducted on this day.

PLEASE PRINT THE FOLLOWING:

Princess Candidate full name: _____

Queen Candidate full name: _____

Daughter of: _____

Address: _____

School attending in the fall: _____ **Grade in the fall:** _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Age:** _____

As a parent of the candidate, I agree to abide by the above guidelines and grant permission for my daughter to enter the campaign for the Gladiolus Princess and Queen.

Parent Signature

Please Mail the Application to:
Momence Gladiolus Festival Association
P.O. Box 703
Momence, IL 60954

**All applications must be postmarked by April 17th, 2015.
Only mailed applications will be accepted.**

