

# *The Santa Fe Trail Ride Queen's Contest*

Each year, the Santa Fe Trail Ride chooses a Queen from a group of students in grades 9 thru 12 who must present good horsemanship skills, maintain a B average in school, and promotes a positive attitude.

The Trail Ride Queen is not required to attend the ride for the whole 8 days. We understand about school responsibilities and we would not want to interfere with that. We ask that she attend the kickoff weekend, Feb 14-15' 2009 in View, TX and ride on Feb. 21st in the rodeo parade.

If you are interested in becoming the next Santa Fe Trail Ride Queen, fill out the application and mail it to:

San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Association

Attn: Trail Ride Queen's Contest

200 West 43<sup>rd</sup> Street

San Angelo, TX 76903

## ***Application Rules and Regulations:***

1. *All applicants must be in grades 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. Deadline for entry form is January 5, 2009.*
2. *FFA, 4H Club, or Saddle club members are welcomed, but not necessary.*
3. *Applicant must have access to a horse and be able to ride and handle a horse without difficulty.*
4. *Applicant must participate in trail ride on February 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, including rodeo performance Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup> and rodeo parade Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. Queen may participate in the entire trail ride if school schedule permits and school officials approve school absence. Must have a place to stay and keep horse if staying the entire ride. Information will be provided with where will be staying each night and any hotel information if needed. If under the age of 17, adult supervision will be required.*
5. *Applicant must have an overall B average in school.*
6. *Each applicant should have 2 letters of recommendation from a teacher, principal, or community representative (Non-family member).*
7. *The following items should accompany the entry form:*
  - a. *2 letters of recommendation*
  - b. *You may choose to send a photograph, but it is not necessary*
  - c. *Letter from school stating current school grade average*
  - d. *Short essay about yourself, interest, talents, and ambitions*

*For questions, contact Shannon Pounds @ 325-212-8319 or email me @ [shannon@santafetrailride.com](mailto:shannon@santafetrailride.com)*

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**Santa Fe Trail Ride Queen Entry Form**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle one:      4H      FFA      Saddle Club      none

If choose, will you be riding your own horse? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, do you have access to a horse and trailer? \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Disclosure:

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I give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to participate in the trail ride activities and Queen, if selected, I understand the San Angelo Stock Show Association and/or the Santa Fe Trail Ride Committee will not be responsible for any accidents occurring while my child is participating in the trail ride events. I also understand it is my responsibility to provide my child with a chaperone during the trail ride events.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date