

MISS SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

Statement of Understanding and Requirements

I, the undersigned, agree to the following terms and conditions as a representative of the Miss Samford University title:

I. General Conduct and Representation

- I understand that, if selected as Miss Samford University, my conduct must reflect high moral standards and I must serve as an appropriate role model.
- I agree to represent the title, the competition, and its committee with professionalism, honor, integrity, and dignity always.
- I acknowledge that I am always “Miss Samford University” and will maintain a well groomed, professional appearance in public.

II. Appearances and Public Engagements

- All appearances as Miss Samford University must be approved by the Director(s).
This includes requests from civic groups, school organizations, other competition directors, and media (print or electronic).
- All media inquiries must be forwarded to the Co-Director(s).

I will:

- Dress appropriately and professionally at all events.
- Ensure no tattoos or visible body piercings (other than earrings) are visible.
- Be properly groomed (make-up, clothing, hair, and nails).

I understand:

- I am responsible for my own transportation to and from events.
- If I have a boyfriend during my reign, he may not accompany me to appearances or show public displays of affection while I am in crown or representing my title.

I agree to:

- Be prompt, arriving at least 15 minutes prior to scheduled events.
- Display enthusiasm and appreciation to event hosts and sponsors.
- Send handwritten thank-you notes within 24 hours of any appearance.

I will not:

- Smoke or consume alcoholic beverages at public events.
- Be photographed with alcohol or tobacco.
- Wear inappropriate clothing or frequent establishments that suggest poor moral judgment.

III. Required Appearances

I understand the following events are mandatory and must be prioritized on my calendar:

- Miss Alabama Competition Candidate Orientation
- Miss Alabama Competition Candidate Workshop
- Miss Alabama's Teen Competition & Candidate Introductions
- Miss Samford University Send-Off Reception
- Miss Alabama Gala & Candidate Introductions
- Miss Alabama Top Ten Fashion Show (if applicable)
- Speaking engagements
- Platform appearances

Excuses from required appearances must be approved by the Co-Director(s).

Sponsors: I understand that in addition to mailing hand-written thank you notes to sponsors, I will visit each sponsor in order to take photos and post to social media.

IV. Recommended Appearances

These events are strongly encouraged and demonstrate community involvement:

Events supporting:

- American Heart Association
- Children's of Alabama
- Salvation Army (Angel Tree, Christmas Registration)
- Ronald McDonald House Family Activity Night
- Boys and Girls Club (Mentorship)
- Your personal platform
- Local media interviews
- Sponsor events as applicable

V. Miss Alabama Competition Preparation

- Maintain my best physical appearance through exercise and diet.
- Stay informed on current events and news topics.
- Participate in all prep sessions:
- Mock interviews
- Platform development
- Talent rehearsals
- On-stage practice
- Practice my talent regularly and be prepared to perform at appearances.

Wardrobe & Talent Approval

- All wardrobe selections, photos, and talent must be approved at least two weeks prior to the Miss Alabama Workshop.
- Once approved, no substitutions or changes may be made without written approval from the Co-Director(s)
- Clothing approval requires in-person presentation; photos or videos are not acceptable.
- Provide my own wardrobe for all appearances and phases of competition.
- Work diligently on my platform and complete my Community Service Scrapbook at least one week before the Miss Alabama deadline.
- Outside coaching is prohibited without Co-Director approval.
- Parents and friends may support but may not participate in decision-making.
- Talent-specific instruction (music, dance, etc.) is permitted.

VI. Paperwork & Approvals

It is my responsibility to:

- Obtain all necessary approvals and signatures from the Co-Director(s) prior to Miss Alabama deadlines.
- Schedule any required meetings to ensure compliance with timelines and competition rules.

VII. Succession Clause

- If I am crowned Miss Alabama, no successor will be named for Miss Samford University
- If I resign prior to appearing in the Miss Alabama Competition, I will forfeit all scholarship winnings associated with the Miss Samford University title.

If I am in violation of this contract, I will forfeit all scholarship earnings, and otherwise, my title will be removed.

Acknowledgement and Agreement

By signing below, I confirm that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by all the responsibilities, terms, and requirements outlined above.

Name (Print): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

If under 18 years old a parent signature is required:

Name (Print): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____