

MWSOI Contract Addendum

As a contestant/titleholder representing the Miss Whitman Scholarship Organization, Inc., this addendum serves to ensure that throughout your participation/reign you do not breach the expectations set forth by the MWSOI program.

This addendum applies to all contestants as well as reigning titleholders. As a participant, you are agreeing to represent our program. You are therefore expected to adhere to a high expectation of appropriate behavior. **Behaviors that won't be tolerated include, but are not limited to bullying, cyberbullying, vulgar or offensive language, hate speech, inappropriate photos on social media, and representations of excessive drinking, drug use, or potentially illegal activity - real or perceived.**

Social Media Policy

While as an individual you may desire to commit and/or publicly showcase a lifestyle and behaviors of your choosing, these will not be allowed while you are representing this program. MWSOI therefore reserves the right to view and/or monitor your social media presence, and respond to any issues brought to our attention, including behaviors that take place in a school, community, legal or other setting. Any and all concerns will be addressed to preserve the standing of the organization to the public.

As both a contestant and/or titleholder of our program, the inappropriate use of social media, both past and present, will bear weight on your right to retain your crown. If inappropriate language, photos, videos, or any other form of communications are discovered, disciplinary action will be at the sole discretion of the MWSOI organization. This is a zero tolerance policy that will be enforced.

If you are to become our titleholder, a member of the MWSOI must have visible access to ALL social media platforms held by you. Further, no titleholder during her year of service may maintain any private social media accounts for the purposes of sharing "non-public, family/friends only" content.

Communication

MWSOI expects all communications (phone calls/emails/texts) to be returned within 48 hours. If you are a minor, communication from your parent/guardian is acceptable within the same time frame.

Miss Titleholder Appearances

MWSOI expects the titleholder to be chaperoned to all events after dark, and/or the ratio of men to women is more than 2:1, and/or there are more than 400 people. Chaperone's are defined as a person of 21 years of age or older (non-negotiable) that is a friend, pageant sister, parent, family member, business manager, etc.

Teen Titleholder Appearances

MWSOI expects the titleholder under the age of 18 to be chaperoned to all events by a parent/guardian/MWSOI board member. Parent/Guardian is defined as a relative that has legal guardianship over your person. If you are 18 years of age, MWSOI expects the titleholder to be chaperoned to all events by a person 21 years of age or older (non-negotiable) that is a friend, pageant sister, parent, family member, business manager, etc.

Travel to appearances are at the titleholders own expense. The MWSOI expects the titleholder to arrive IN SASH and CROWN, appropriately dressed, at least 15 minutes early to any event.

A titleholder may self-initiate an appearance, however must receive approval from the MWSOI prior to committing to the event at least 1 week in advance.

Titleholder must attend events for major MWSOI sponsors.

MWSOI Titleholder State Preparation

Titleholder MUST avail themselves to the MWSOI for state pageant preparations, to include meetings, wardrobe consultations, talent preparations, etc. A member of the MWSOI must be present during talent/HERStory rehearsals on at least 4 occasions.

Photography

Titleholder may never be photographed with an open drink in their hand that has been poured into an indistinguishable glass (includes water in a glass or plastic cup).

The titleholder may never be photographed in crown/sash at a non-Miss Whitman function, party, appearance or event. If you are not acting as Miss Whitman/Miss Whitman’s Teen, you may NOT appear as her.

The titleholder may allow ONLY children and/or the elderly to wear their crown, and if you have placed the crown on their head, you should still be holding it, as though you are temporarily crowning them (it may not rest unassisted on their head).

Scholarship

All scholarships won by the contestant must be claimed within one year from the date of the MWSOI competition in which she competed. If a scholarship is not claimed, it will be forfeited back to MWSOI.

Any alleged violation of the policies/addendums set forth above will be investigated, reviewed and discussed on a case by case basis by the MWSOI board and/or its legal counsel. Disciplinary action will result if a violation is determined to have occurred.

As a contestant/titleholder, disciplinary action may include but is not limited to:

- Intervention, warning, and redirection
- Direct resolution with the target of any bullying or incurred harms
- Exclusion from and/or limited appearance opportunities
- Full termination of title, remaining awards, and sponsor benefits
- Immediate forfeiture of half and/or remaining scholarship

I, _____, agree to abide by these policies/addendums. I understand that the MWSOI retains the right to discuss and address any behavioral issues which occur inside and/or outside the bounds of my role in the organization. I understand that disciplinary action will be taken if I am found in violation.

Note that changes to the above listed policies/addendums can be made at any time by the MWSOI. Should any additions be made the contestants/titleholders will be notified in writing or through email.

Contestant/Titleholder Signature:

Date:

If under 18 must be signed by parent/guardian AND pageant participant

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date:
