

# 2021 MARION COUNTY FAIR BABY CONTEST

## INFORMATION & RULES

**ENTRY DEADLINE:** Received in the Fair office by 4 PM, June 25, 2021.

**ENTRY FEE:** \$10.00 (PAID TO Marion County Fair by deadline; non-refundable)

Rules and Entry Form available at [www.marioncountyfair.org](http://www.marioncountyfair.org)

**CONTEST DATE:** Saturday, June 26, 2021

**CONTEST LOCATION:** Marion County Fair—Park Stage

**TIME:** 12:00 – Check in begins

12:30 PM – Interviews begin

(Babies may be divided into age groups, but are to remain in area at all times.)

### CONTEST RULES:

1. Age Requirements: Contestants must be 6 to 18 months in age and have been born between December 29, 2019 and December 29, 2020
2. Pre-registration required: Registration forms, birth certificates and \$10.00 registration fee must arrive at the Marion County Fair office no later than 4PM Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Last minute registrations can be turned in Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, by NOON.
3. Residency requirements: Contestants must live in Marion County.
4. Please arrive at the Fairgrounds by 12:00 to accommodate sign-in and contestant numbering assignments.
5. One adult may accompany the baby to the timed judging area.
6. Judging will be based on the baby's appearance and personality at the time of judging. Judges realize that a baby's behavior is quite unpredictable.
7. There is no required dress code for babies in the contest.
8. All decisions of the judges will be final.
9. Photography is allowed only outside the judging area.
10. Contestant numbers will be announced by the emcee. Please listen carefully for the numbers immediately ahead so that the contest progresses smoothly and promptly.
11. Babies may be divided into categories for judging depending upon the number of entries. Categories will be assigned as follows:
  - a. Prettiest baby girl—6 to 9 months
  - b. Prettiest baby girl—10 to 13 months
  - c. Prettiest baby girl—14 to 18 months
  - d. Most handsome baby boy—6 to 9 months
  - e. Most handsome baby boy—10 to 13 months
  - f. Most handsome baby boy—14 to 18 months
12. First, second, and third place winners will be awarded ribbons. First place winners in all categories will be eligible for the Grand Prize and another judging round. All babies will receive a participation ribbon.
13. The Marion County Fair will not be responsible for loss, theft, or damages.

For more information, call the Marion County Fair office at (317) 353-2444 between the hours of 9 AM and 3 PM.