



2021 APPLICATION
ENTRY DEADLINE – Monday November 16th, 2021
APPLICATION FEE - \$10

Please note: Schedule may be subject to change due to COVID-19 restrictions

SCHEDULE

Application Deadline	November 16, 2020
Essay	November 18, 2020 Essay topic will be emailed to you from Buccaneer Commission and MUST BE BROUGHT IN WITH YOU THE DAY OF YOUR INTERVIEW
Contestant Interviews/Public Speaking & Essays Date Options	Thursday, December 10, 6:00PM Friday, December 11, 6:00PM Saturday, December 12, 6:00PM
Announcement of Finalists	December 17, 2020

AWARDS

Miss Buc Days	up to \$8,000 Scholarship
Buc Days King	up to \$8,000 Scholarship
1st Runner Up (x2)	up to \$5,000 Scholarship
2nd Runner Up (x2)	up to \$3,500 Scholarship
4th through 10th places (x2)	up to \$2,000 Scholarship
Top Wrangler	\$500 Scholarship
Miss Congeniality	\$500 Scholarship

SPECIAL RULES

1. ELIGIBILITY: Participation is limited to legal Texas residents of Aransas, Bee, Duval, Goliad, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio and Victoria Counties who are currently attending an accredited Texas high school or homeschool. Participants must be in their senior year of high school.

Participants must have a cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher on a 4.0 GPA scale or a 90 or higher on a 100 scale at time of entry.

Immediate family members of Buccaneer Commissioners and staff are not eligible for the Program. The Buccaneer Commission Governing Board reserves the right to extend or withhold an invitation for entry to any Participant.

The Buccaneer Commission, Inc. does not advocate, support or practice discrimination based on race, religion, age, national origin, language, sex, sexual orientation, or mental or physical handicap or any other personal attribute protected by law, except where affirmative action may be required to redress individual or social handicaps.

Information including GPA, Date of Birth, level in school, and gender will be confirmed by the official transcript.

2. ENTRY: The online entry application is available at www.BucDays.com. Deadline is **November 16th, 2020**. \$10.00 application fee will be due at this time, if you should need assistance with payment, please contact the Buccaneer Commission at 361-882-3242. Transcripts must be submitted by deadline to complete the application. Transcripts may be emailed to mari@bucdays.com. Transcripts may also be mailed (post marked by November 16th, 2020) to:

Buccaneer Commission
P.O. Box 30404
Corpus Christi, TX 78463

(If transcripts are not sent, the entry will not be considered complete)

3. COMPETITION: Finalists for the Buc Days King and Queen Leadership Program will be selected through a competition consisting of Interview/Public Speaking and an Essay. Participants must compete in scheduled events on one of the dates offered (December 10, 11, 12, 2021); events will NOT be rescheduled for individual Participants with conflicting obligations.

Interview/Public Speaking Competition: Each Participant must prepare and present a two (2) minute speech. The speech content should include information about the student that is not listed in their academic record, i.e. hobbies, interests, future goals, etc. Each Participant will field questions from a panel of judges. Other candidates will not be present during the public speaking/interview.

Essay Competition: Each Participant must write an essay and bring typed essay of 750 words with them the day of the interview. The topic of the Essay will be provided on November 18th, 2020.

4. FINALIST JUDGING: Each Participant will be judged on their Interview/Public Speaking and Essay. A total of 200 points may be awarded to each Participant. Finalists will be determined by the following criteria:

Interview/Public Speaking	100 Points
<u>Essay</u>	<u>100 Points</u>
Total Points	200 Points

5. FINALISTS: The ten (10) male and ten (10) female Participants with the highest scores at the conclusion of the competition will be named finalist and continue as Participants in the Buc Days King and Queen Leadership Program.

6. FINALIST REQUIREMENTS: Once a Participant has been selected as a Finalist, they will be part of a prestigious leadership training program for their final semester of high school. The scholarship award winners listed under AWARDS will be selected from this group. The finalists will be required to attend at least 80% of the program events listed below, not including those occurring during an instructional school day or marked TBD. (In 2021, 80% = 16 events).

Please note that this schedule is subject to change:

Type	Activity	Day	Date (2021)	Time
Admin	Welcome Event - American Bank Center	FRI	JAN 8	5:30 - 7:30PM
DC	Leadership Training 1 ABC immediately following welcome dinner	FRI	JAN 8	7:30 - 9:30PM
DC	Leadership Training 2 American Bank Center	SAT	JAN 9	9:00AM - 5:00PM
DC	Leadership Training 3 Zoom Session	FRI	JAN 15	5:00 - 9:00PM
DC	Leadership Training 4 American Bank Center	FRI	JAN 22	5:00 - 9:00PM
DC	Leadership Training 5 American Bank Center *Leadership Graduation following DC learning session 5:30PM	SAT	JAN 23	Learning Session: 9:00AM – 5:00PM DC Graduation: 5:30PM
DC	Leadership Training Graduation American Bank Center (checking availability)	THUR / FRI	JAN 28 FEB 5	6:00 – 8:00PM
Admin	Youth Odyssey Ropes	SAT	FEB 6	8:00AM – 3:00PM
Community	CCAD Tour	THURS	FEB 11	TBD
Community	Port of CC Tour	THURS	FEB 18	TBD
Admin	Costume Photo Shoot Location TBD	FRI or SAT	FEB 19 or FEB 20	5:30PM or 11:00AM
College	College Night- TAMU CC , TAMU Kingsville, Del Mar College	THURS	MAR 4	5:30 - 7:30PM
Community	Industry Tour Fulton Construction	SAT	MAR 13	TBD
Service	Ronald McDonald House Share a Meal	THURS	MAR 25	TBD
Service	Food Bank Service Project	SAT	APR 10	TBD
Service	Buc Days – Service Project	MON	APR 26	TBD
Buc Days	Dunking of the Mayor/Carnival	THURS	APR 29	5:00PM
Admin	Final Interviews Location TBD	FRI	APR 30	6:00PM
Buc Days	Awards Celebration / Navy Army Night Parade	SAT	MAY 1	4:30PM
Buc Days	Junior Parade	SAT	MAY 8	10:00AM
Buc Days	Rodeo Corpus Christi Appearance	SUN	MAY 9	1:00PM

7. OFFICIAL DRESS: Several events will require contestants to wear official dress: pirate outfits for girls and western gear for boys. The costs for the outfits may be offset by sponsorships that the student will seek. Photographs of students in official dress will be used for promotional purposes.

8. SCHOLARSHIP JUDGING: Final judging will occur after the final interview by secret ballot ranking the contestants from 1 to 10. The considerations include attendance, participation, leadership, and enthusiasm as an ambassador for Buc Days events.

9. SCHOLARSHIPS: The Finalists are eligible to receive scholarships, provided they meet the Rules and Requirements portion of the Buccaneer Commission Scholarship Policies. Participants/Finalists will be required to have signature on each entry form stating that they have read and understand the requirements for being Miss Buc Days, Buc Days King or a Finalist.

Requirements for all Finalists:

- Recipient must begin use of Buccaneer Commission Scholarship within six months of graduation from high school.
- If contestant finishes in the top 3, he/she must collect funds, consecutively in Fall and Spring semesters. A copy of the Fall transcript is required, and student must have at least a 2.5 GPA to collect funds for the Spring. Other finalists collect funds in Fall only.
- Recipient must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 hours per semester during Fall (and Spring, if top 3) semesters. Exceptions will be considered on a case by case basis.
- Recipient must submit the following documents to the Buccaneer Commission at the address below. Deadlines for submission are August 2, 2021 for Fall semester and January 3, 2022 for Spring semester, if top 3.
 - Properly completed Buccaneer Commission Scholarship Contract
 - Thank you letter to Buccaneer Commission
 - Class Schedule for the upcoming semester, substantiating semester hour requirements (i.e. class schedule with total hour reflected)
 - For top three places – Copy of transcript reporting a GPA of 2.5 or higher.
 - The Scholarship is valued as defined above in Awards. Upon meeting all requirements for scholarship disbursement, scholarships will be paid directly to the College or University designated by the recipient as follows:

Disbursement of Scholarships by value:

\$8,000	Two Semesters (\$4,000 per semester)
\$5,000	Two Semesters (\$2,500 per semester)
\$3,500	Two Semesters (\$1,750 per semester)
\$2,000	One Semester

- Failure to fully comply with Buccaneer Commission Scholarship Policies will result in forfeiture of scholarship funds.
- Should a recipient not attend college, or fail to maintain academic standards or college enrollment, the balance of the scholarship will be forfeited to the Buccaneer Commission Scholarship Program.
- Any exceptions to these rules must be requested in writing by the Recipient and approved in writing by the Buccaneer Commission.
- The Buccaneer Commission reserves the right to interpret or amend these rules and requirements at any time at its discretion and to settle and determine all disputes, questions or matters regarding, arising from or incident to the Scholarship Program, including but not limited to revocation of a scholarship.

10. SCHOLARSHIP MATCHING OPPORTUNITIES: Should a contestant choose to attend a College or University that has a Matching Agreement with Buc Days and meet admission standards of such university, a scholarship match will be provided by the institution. These agreements will be published as available.

- Texas A&M Kingsville will match all awards.
- Texas A&M Corpus Christi will match all awards.
- Del Mar College will match up to \$6,000 in scholarships for finalists, with no award exceeding \$2,000.

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