



2015 Sun Court Application


SUN BOWL
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Rooted in a tradition that has endured seven decades, the Sun Court competition dates back to 1935 when organizers planned the event as a companion to the first Sun Bowl game. Today the coronation and other Sun Bowl events offer a unique opportunity for young women of El Paso to promote their city, to volunteer as community ambassadors and to be recognized as bright, young civic leaders.

From those early beginnings the Coronation has grown and matured, with the field of entrants increasing steadily and representing an ever-broader cross-section of the El Paso community and surrounding areas. Today the competition is open to all young women, and contestants are judged on their poise, communication skills, knowledge and intelligence. The participants must be full time students at a college or university and in good academic standing.

The coronation will be held in the summer to have the Queen and her court available for activities that include the:

Must Attend Events

Western Refining College All-America Golf Classic • FirstLight Federal Credit Union Sun Bowl Parade • WestStar Bank Don Haskins Sun Bowl Invitational • Sun Bowl Fan Fiesta • Hyundai Sun Bowl Game

Other Events

• Price's Give 'Em Five Sun Bowl Punt, Pass & Kick • Sun Bowl Art Exhibit • Helen of Troy Charm Camp • Academy Sports + Outdoors Sun Bowl International Soccer Tournament



Eligibility and Rules

All Sun Princess applicants must fit these criteria in order to be eligible.

- **A female between the ages of 18-22 (as of Sept. 1) and have completed one year of college**
- **Have not been married and have not had any children**
- **Must be enrolled as a full-time student taking a minimum of 12 academic hours or full time in a graduate program**
- **A cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale (Transcript must accompany application)**
- **Sun Princesses may not hold any other title during the time they are members of the Sun Court.**
- **MUST be available on Nov. 5-8, Nov. 26 and Dec. 21-26.**
- **Responsible for their own transportation costs to attend mandatory events.**

Judging is based on communication and interpersonal skills, ability to demonstrate knowledge of the Sun Bowl and El Paso, poise, appearance and personality. The Sun Queen and Court are required to participate in all mandatory events for the 2015 Sun Bowl Association. Special appearances are also required at other times during the year. The Sun Court is required to serve at least 20 volunteer hours for a nonprofit organization. The Sun Queen and Court are responsible for their own transportation to Sun Bowl Association functions. Previous Sun Court members are ineligible for any future Sun Court competition. Decisions of the judges are final. If a member of the Sun Court is, for any reason, disqualified or is unable to fulfill her obligations, the Board of Directors of the Sun Bowl Association may select a replacement to complete the term of the disqualified member.

*****To apply please submit: Official application, an official transcript, a professional resume, a color photograph (not larger than 5x7), and an essay (500 words or less) telling us about yourself to include school activities and awards, community involvement, employment and why you want to be a sun princess. This information will be used in press releases. Please email your application to achavez@sunbowl.org.*****

Deadline

The deadline to submit an application is **June 19, 2015** and all interviews will be held on **July 18, 2015**. The number of applicants will determine the number of interviews necessary to select the 2015 Sun Princesses. The applicant will be notified of the interview schedule after the application deadline. Questions? Please call: Ana Chavez at (915) 533-4416 ext. 205 or email her at achavez@sunbowl.org.

Frequently Asked Questions

• Is there any cost or entry fee?

No, there is no cost to submit your application. However if selected you are responsible for your own transportation costs to attend mandatory events. (The Sun Bowl Association knows that this can be expensive and will give plenty of notice so best arrangements can be made).

Purchase of some clothing items may be required.

• Will I be judged on my looks?

No, this is not a beauty competition. Judging will be based on communication and interpersonal skills, ability to demonstrate knowledge of the Sun Bowl, El Paso, poise, personality, and how you present yourself.

• What should I wear at the interview?

Wear something you feel comfortable in, yet professional. Many applicants have worn, slacks, dresses, skirts, business attire type of outfits.

Keep in mind that even though you are not judged on your looks, you are judged on appearance.

• Who are the judges?

The judges are community members who have a broad knowledge of the Sun Bowl Association, the community, and Sun Court.

If selected, 2015 applicants will serve as Sun Princesses and will be eligible for the Sun Queen competition on the year 2016. The 2015 Sun Queen will be selected from the 2014 Sun Princesses. The 2015 Sun Queen and Princesses will be announced at a the 2015 Sun Court Coronation on Friday, Aug. 7.

2015 Sun Princess Official Application

Name: _____

Current Age: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Present Mailing Address

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail: _____

University/College: _____

Circle your 2015-2016 Classification: FR SO JR SR

Major: _____

Minor: _____

GPA: _____ High School: _____

Parents Information

Father:

Mother:

Address:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

City: State: Zip:

Phone:

Phone:

I certify that the above information is true and correct and agree to allow the Sun Bowl Association the use of my photograph and application. I have read, and fully understand and agree to the rules and regulations regarding eligibility for the 2014 Sun Court.

Signature: _____

Date: _____



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