



Attention – Irish Colleens

You are cordially invited to enter the

Miss Saint Patrick 2018 Scholarship

The following scholarships will be awarded:

Miss St. Patrick winner will receive a **\$2,000 scholarship**

Runner up will receive up to **\$1000.00 scholarship**

Miss St. Patrick will be honored in the Saint Patrick's Day Parade in Hamilton on Saturday, March 10th, 2018. The contest is sponsored by the Original Hamilton Township St. Patrick's Day Parade & Scholarship Committee.

APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS: The applicant must be a resident of New Jersey. The contest is open to all single and never married women of American Citizenship and Irish Ancestry between 17 and 21 years of age **and** who meet **one** of the following qualifications below:

- Attends a Mercer County School of College/University
- Has a parent, grandparent OR a sponsor belonging to a Mercer County Irish organization
- Is currently a member in good standing of a Mercer County Irish organization such as: The Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division # 1 and Division # 10; Sons and Daughters of Erin; The Friendly Sons & Daughters of St. Patrick; The Emerald Society; The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division #6 and Division #10; The St. Patrick's Parade & Scholarship Committee at Hamilton.

***** You will NOT qualify if you have ever been a recipient of a St. Patrick's Parade Committee Scholarship*****

- **Deadline for completed entries: Monday, November 27th, 2017 (No Applications will be accepted after this date!)**
- **Interviews may be held on or about December 16th 2017**
- **The winner will be notified by** and will be presented to the St. Patrick's Day Parade & Scholarship Committee during their regularly scheduled meeting.

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEB SITE – www.HAMILTONPARADE.COM

Keep these dates in mind when applying Completed applications: Monday, November 27th, 2017

- Interviews: Saturday, December 16th 2017 tentative
- Presentation to St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee: Tuesday, January 9th, 2018
- SAINT PATRICK'S DAY PARADE: Saturday, March 10th, 2018 (All day and evening) (Rain date: March 24th)
- Luncheon prior to the parade (date to be determine)
- Other parade functions

Hamilton's Miss Saint Patrick Scholarship Contest 2018

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You will NOT qualify if you have ever been Miss St. Patrick from the Hamilton St. Patrick's Parade Committee Scholarship***

Basis of Judging: The scholarship committee will judge the applicants based on the achievements as presented in the application, an essay evaluation and a personal interview with the committee.

Entrance Procedure and Dates:

1. Complete the attached application. (Please print or type. May attach required information on additional pages if needed.)
2. Each applicant is required to submit a typed, original essay entitled, "**My Irish Heritage and Why It Is Important to Me**". The essay should not exceed 400 words.
3. A letter of recommendation from a community member (i.e.: Guidance Counselor, Teacher, and School or Community Leader or Irish-American Mercer County Organization).
4. Applicants must be available for interviews on or about December 16th, 2017 and the winner must be available for presentation to the committee on or about January 9, 2018.
5. Submit the completed application, essay and recommendation forms **NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 27th, 2017** to the following address:

Miss St. Patrick's Day Contest
120 Donald Drive
Hamilton, NJ 08619

HAMILTON'S MISS SAINT PATRICK SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2017

FULL NAME: _____

(LAST)

(FIRST)

(MIDDLE INITIAL)

ADDRESS: _____

COUNTY: _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____ **PHONE:** (_____) _____ - _____

The phone number given **MUST** be one the Applicant has access to **AND** can receive voice mail. Please do not give phone number where the voice messages are not checked!

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ **EMAIL ADDRESS:** _____

CELL PHONE NUMBER: (_____) _____ **DO YOU TEXT?** _____

MOTHER'S NAME (INCLUDING MAIDEN NAME): _____

MOTHER'S NATIONALITY: _____

FATHER'S NAME: _____

FATHER'S NATIONALITY: _____

IF NOT ATTENDING A MERCER COUNTY SCHOOL, COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY, PLEASE LIST THE MERCER COUNTY IRISH ORGANIZATION TO WHICH YOU or YOUR PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS OR SPONSOR ARE MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING:

SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION

EDUCATION	NAME & LOCATION OF SCHOOL	YEARS ATTENDED	DATE GRADUATED
Elementary School			
Middle School			
High School			
College (Major)			
Technical or Business School			

Describe your scholastic achievements, interests or any honors received in one or more of the following areas: Scholarship, Music, Art, Athletics, Leadership, Civic involvement or other:

Please list the Organizations/Clubs of which you are a member and give a brief description of your involvement. (Irish, Religious, Civic, Social, School, Community Service, etc.):

Do you read, write or speak any foreign languages?

YES

NO

If Yes, which language? _____

What special talents or hobbies do you have? _____

I certify that the information on this application is complete and true.

Applicant's Signature

COMMITMENT:

****In order to receive a scholarship, all Applicants MUST agree and sign the following: ****

If selected **Miss St. Patrick**, I understand I **must participate** in the Hamilton Township St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 10th, 2018 (Rain date: March 24th, 2018). Along with a few pre-parade and post parade commitments

Applicant's Signature

Parent Signature Sponsor Signature (if applicable)

COMMUNITY MEMBER RECOMMENDATION FORM

Name of Applicant: _____

Please indicate how long you have known the applicant, whether you consider the Applicant worthy of the honor of Miss St. Patrick and what your opinion of the Applicant’s ability to carry out the role of Miss St. Patrick. Complete your answers in the space provided or attach your recommendation to this form. Please include Applicant’s name, your name and title on any attachments.

Community Member-Print Name

Signature

Position/Title

Address, City, State and Zip

Phone Number and Email Address _____