



Miss Wabasha

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



The Wabasha Riverboat Days Committee is looking for the new Miss Wabasha Royalty for 2025-2026. The committee is inviting individuals entering 9-12 grades in the fall of 2025. To be eligible contestants must have a Wabasha address or their parents must be members of the Wabasha-Kellogg Chamber of Commerce. The candidates will be judged on a short essay, academic achievements, community involvement/extracurricular activities and an interview. Read on for more details.

Why would you want to be Miss Wabasha?

You gaining the title of “Miss Wabasha” offers a wonderful opportunity to build your resume for future entrance into a college or a job. This title means you have been chosen because you are an asset to our community; you have proven yourself to be a leader and an outstanding citizen. You will also have the opportunity to meet new friends and enjoy new experiences and scholarships for your future.

What does Miss Wabasha get to do?

As your new reign as Miss Wabasha Royalty, you will appear in the Riverboat Days parade on July 26, 2025 at, be an ambassador to Wabasha at other parades and events in our area and attend Chamber sponsored events.

OK, OK I’m interested. Now what?

First, you will need a sponsor. The sponsor pays the \$200 entry fee.

Second, you must fill out an application form and write an essay about a selected topic. You can pick an application up at the Chamber office or print one off the Riverboat Days website www.wabashamn.org/riverboat-days.

Third, return your application and money to the Chamber office by Tuesday, June 17, 2025.

You can return it by mail or dropping it off to:

PO Box 105, Wabasha, MN 55981

How is Miss Wabasha chosen?

The Miss Wabasha Royalty is **chosen based upon a short essay of 200-300 words on “*What does Wabasha mean to you?*”**, on your academics, extracurricular activities/community involvement and an interview. A panel of judges will review all participant applications and essays; they will conduct one-on-one interviews and choose the royalty. Miss Congeniality will be voted on by the other contestants.

How are the essays judged?

Essays will be judged based upon originality, grammar, punctuation, organization, flow and content.

When is the deadline to enter?

Tuesday, June 17, 2025.

When is Miss Wabasha chosen?

All participants will be interviewed by a panel of judges on Thursday, July 24, 2025. The participants, their families, and their sponsors are invited to a luncheon at the VFW, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. Contestants will have a break to prepare for the coronation at 6:00 pm at the Wabasha Athletic Complex. After coronation the new royalty and contestants will participate in a photo shoot.

Important details you and your parents might want to know- at a glance:

- ❑ Deadline for applications and essays is **Tuesday June 17, 2025**. Applications are at the Chamber website or chamber office. The application, essay and \$200 sponsorship must be turned in by the deadline to be eligible.
- ❑ The Contestants must be available on **Sunday, July 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.** for contestant and parent meeting. We will also be doing our group photo at this time.
- ❑ The contestant must be available on **Thursday, July 24, 2025, Friday, July 25, 2025 and Saturday, July 26, 2025** all day. Thursday for the interviews, luncheon, coronation and photo shoot. Saturday for the Riverboat Days Activities, Queen's Tea and Riverboat Days parade.
- ❑ If crowned Miss Wabasha Royalty you must commit to 3 parades and 3 chamber events during your one year reign. The families of the royalty are responsible for getting the royalty and the float to the parades. The Chamber will help you register for the parades.
- ❑ The contestant will need a formal dress for coronation. Remember, you do not have to buy a new one; it can be used, borrowed, etc.
- ❑ Attire for interviews is business casual but select an outfit that represents YOU (the contestant).

Contact the Chamber of Commerce at 651.565.4158 if you have any questions. The website for the application is www.wabashamn.org/riverboat-days or you may pick one up at the Chamber office.

Miss Wabasha Scholarship Program 2025 Application Form

Name: _____ **Phone #:** _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Grade (2025- 2026 school year) _____

Shirt Size: _____

Parent One Name: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Parent One Email: _____

Parent Two Name: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Parent Two Email: _____

Academic Achievements (honor roll, awards, etc

Community Involvement (volunteer hours, organizations you belong to, etc.

Extracurricular Activities (4H, band, theater, sports, FFA, etc)

Please write a short bio about yourself below. This information will be read at the coronation. Please only use the space provided. (Things to include: Parents name, activities, hobbies, and what you think makes Wabasha Special)

If you need more room, attach another sheet of paper.

Please return this application, essay (on separate sheet of paper) and \$200 fee to:

Wabasha Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 105, Wabasha, MN 55981

Contestant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____