

MISS TEXAS' OUTSTANDING TEEN 2021

COMPETITION CATEGORIES

PRELIMINARY COMPETITION



30%
PRIVATE INTERVIEW



10%
LIFESTYLE & WELLNESS



40%
TALENT



20%
ON-STAGE QUESTION
IN EVENING WEAR

NOTE: Since the 2020 MAOTeen COVID State Competition Contingency has been extended into 2021, the 10% Scholastic Achievement scoring will be temporarily removed for this competition year. As such, the Scholastic Achievement Application will not be required and candidates may use their resume to highlight their scholastic achievements.



On the final night of competition, twelve candidates will be named semifinalists and compete in the Final Competition events.



The twelve semifinalists include the ten candidates with the highest preliminary competition scores and two People's Choice winners. The People's Choice winners may already be among the semifinalists selected by the judge's scoring.

FINAL COMPETITION



35%
COMPOSITE SCORE



15%
LIFESTYLE & WELLNESS



35%
TALENT



15%
ON-STAGE QUESTION
IN EVENING WEAR

There will not be a Final Ballot for the Miss Texas' Outstanding Teen competition. The 4RU, 3RU, 2RU, 1RU and winner of Miss Texas' Outstanding Teen will be named based on their Final Competition scores.

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PRIVATE INTERVIEW

Each candidate engages in a private 8 minute press conference-style interview with a panel of judges. The candidate will be introduced and the judges will immediately begin with the first question. Teen interviews do not include a closing statement. A timekeeper will indicate when the interview time has ended. Candidates may be questioned based on their background as presented on their resume, educational and career goals, opinions on current events, social issues, their interests, hobbies and/or extracurricular activities. The private interview allows insight into the candidate's ability to fulfill the expectations outlined in the job description and contract. Judges may aim to get a better sense of a candidate's accomplishments beyond the resume, learn more about her commitment to educational excellence, and assess her ability to independently advance both her social impact initiative along with the Miss Texas Organization's initiatives.

Judging Criteria

- Communication skills including personality, intelligence, validated opinions, emotional control, overall first impression and professionalism
- The overall qualities and attributes necessary in order to fulfill the job responsibilities of Miss Texas' Outstanding Teen
- Judges are not scoring based on their own personal agreement with the candidate's statements, position, beliefs, or social impact initiative, but instead how well the candidate interacts and thoughtfully articulates their answers



TALENT

Candidates perform a self-selected talent presentation of up to (but not more than) 90 seconds. Potential talent presentations might include (but are not limited to) singing, dancing, gymnastics, instrumental music, dramatic or comedy monologues, baton twirling and ventriloquism. Candidates may present any talent of their choice as long as it may be performed solo on a stage.

Judging Criteria

- Preparatory and performance skills
- Selection of talent presentation and overall quality of performance
- Interpretive ability and technical skill level including execution, technique, synchronization and control
- On-stage presence and personality
- Totality of elements, including costume, props, voice, use of body and choreography
- Enjoyable and relatable performance
- Note: No rosins, powders, or glitter type solutions are allowed on-stage OR in backstage areas

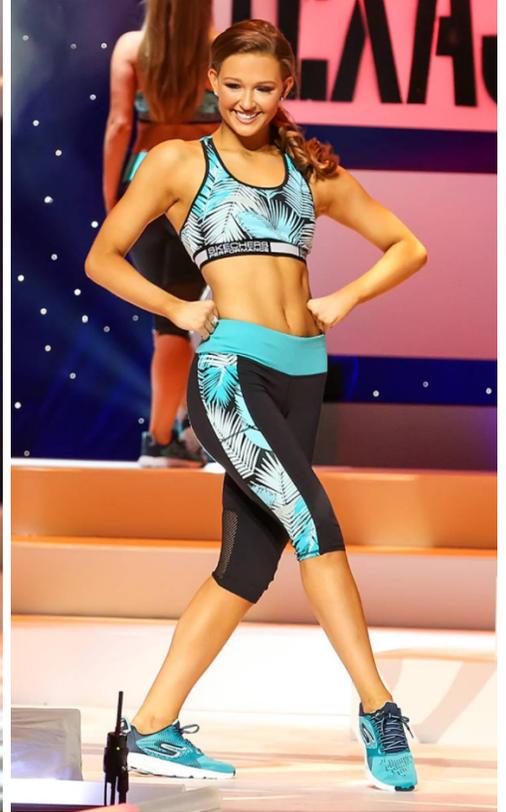
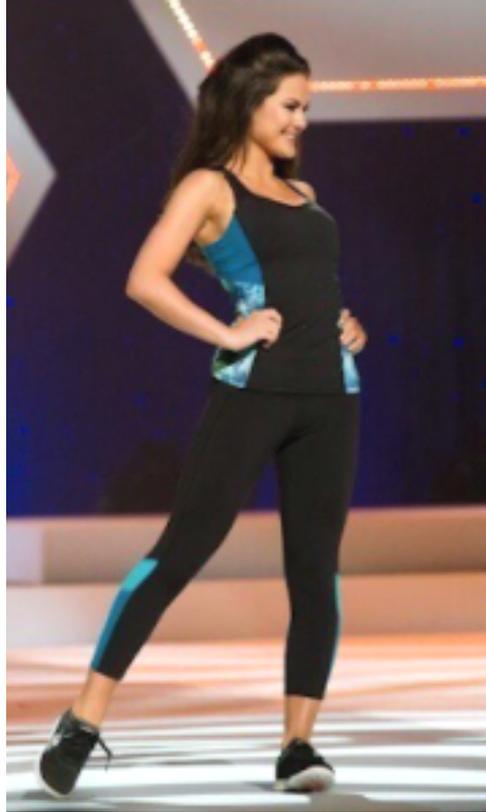


LIFESTYLE & WELLNESS

Each candidate briefly appears on-stage (up to 30 seconds) to perform a short fitness routine in workout attire. The choreographer will teach candidates the fitness routine.

Judging Criteria

- Overall first impression
- Statement of strong physical fitness and health
- Stage presence and display of energy
- Charisma and expression
- Sense of confidence and composure



ON-STAGE QUESTION IN EVENING WEAR

Each candidate will model her evening gown/evening wear of choice and answer an on-stage question. The evening gown/evening wear selection should be age appropriate for a teenager. The on-stage question topics will be general.

Judging Criteria

- Ability to think on her feet and answer a question of general interest to people her age, including, but not limited to, local, state, and national current events
- Overall first impression
- Sense of confidence
- Personality and stage presence
- Posture and carriage
- Extemporaneous response to an on-stage question
- Ability to answer the question in the context in which it was asked and handle the pressure of speaking on-stage in front of an audience

