

**Independence High School**  
**2021-2022 Homecoming Court Application Guidelines**

*Please read all instructions carefully before completing the application package.*  
**INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED**

**Court Opportunities:**

Seniors—Class of 2022:

- Queen
- Senior Princess

*Note: The ten seniors who win the "most votes" become a part of the Senior Princesses, in running to become Queen.*

Juniors—Class of 2023:

- Junior Duchess

Sophomores—Class of 2024:

- Sophomore Duchess

Freshman—Class of 2025:

- Freshman Duchess

**Criteria for Consideration for the 2021 Homecoming Court:**

*Please read this information carefully. Be sure your parent(s) or guardian(s) understand these rules and criteria as **we will not make exceptions for any student for any reason.***

**To be considered for the court EACH CANDIDATE MUST:**

1. Be a current student at Independence High School.
2. Have paid current class dues (\$10) and attach proof of purchase. (online receipt) [Independence High](#) online payments
3. Have a minimum 2.5 GPA, unweighted
4. Be currently passing all courses for the Fall 2021 semester AND currently passing all enrolled classes
5. Be in good disciplinary standing during the 2020-2021 school year
6. Be able to attend rehearsals and zoom meetings. If there is a need to be absent, the applicant must inform Ms. Hamrick at least one week prior in email and gain approval for the absence.
7. Turn in completed completed PAPER applications by **Friday, September 24, 2021 by 2:30pm. You will only turn in pages 3, 4, receipt from dues, and a colored picture**
8. Understand that NO EXTENSIONS for ANYONE for ANY reason will be granted

**How to Run for Homecoming Court**

1. All applications must include:
  - a. A colored picture submitted with the application. The picture should include ONLY the applicant.
  - b. Adhere to the Pledge of Responsibility
    - i. Include a student signature
    - ii. Include a parent/guardian signature
    - iii. Adhere to campaigning rules
2. **Please only submit the actual application portion. Be sure to include a receipt of paid dues and a colored picture.**

**Election**

All applications will be reviewed. As long as all applicants have met all the criteria required, applicants will be listed on the ballot under the appropriate position. Any violation of these guidelines will result in the applicant's removal from the ballot. The Homecoming nominees will be announced during SEL on Tuesday, September 28. Please understand, just because you submit an application, does not guarantee being nominated. The Homecoming Court will be voted on during SEL on Tuesday, October 6 during SEL. The final Homecoming court will **be announced on Wednesday, October 6.** This means that the Freshman, Sophomore, Junior Duchesses and Senior Princesses will be announced. The Queen, a senior, will be announced at half time during the Homecoming Football game on Friday, October 15.

## Homecoming Court Timeline

Dates	Activity/Event	Explanation	Type of Dress
<b>Wednesday, September 15</b>	Homecoming Court Applications are available online and outside room 234	Log into BigIbelive.com or see and member of Student Council	Not Applicable
<b>Friday, September 24</b>	Homecoming Court Applications are DUE to Ms. Hamrick by 3 pm	Please submit via email at noel.hamrick@cms.k12.nc.us	Not Applicable
<b>Wednesday, September 29- Monday, October 4</b>	Candidates may campaign on all social media	Candidates need to abide by the Campaigning Rules	Not Applicable
<b>Tuesday, October 5</b>	Election	Voting will occur in SEL	Not Applicable
<b>Wednesday, October 6</b>	Homecoming Court announced (Election Results)	The final Homecoming Court will be announced during SEL	
<b>Wednesday October 13</b>	Mandatory Homecoming Court Rehearsal	Meet in room on the football field by 2:30	Bring the shoes you plan on wearing Friday night
<b>Friday, October 15</b>	Homecoming Game	The Homecoming Court will be presented at halftime during the football game, and the Homecoming Queen crowned. Plan to arrive at the Gym entrance by 7:15 in appropriate attire	Follow Guidelines



## Independence Homecoming Court Application

### Candidate Details:

Full name (As you'd like it on the ballot)		Grade Level	2019-2020 GPA
Home Address—Number and Street		City, State	Zip (Postal) Code
Home Phone Number (with area code)	Mobile Phone Number (with area code)	Email Address	

### Please check which position you are applying for:

Seniors—Class of 2022:

- ☐ Queen
- ☐ Senior Princess

*Note: The five seniors who win the "most votes" become a part of the Senior Princesses, in running to become Queen.*

Sophomores—Class of 2024:

- ☐ Sophomore Duchess

Juniors—Class of 2023:

- ☐ Junior Duchess

Freshman—Class of 2025:

- ☐ Freshman Duchess

### Schedule Details:

#### B-Day

Period	Class	Teacher	Room #
3 <sup>rd</sup>			

Do you have any of the following forms of social media:

Instagram      Twitter      Facebook

SnapChat    Please list your user names \_\_\_\_\_

### Questions: (To be read when you are announced at the Football Game)

1. What does it mean to be an Independence Patriot?
2. Why would you be the best representation for your class as an Independence Patriot?
3. How do you display your inner Psycho Pat (school spirit)?

**\*\*Please attach your photograph to the application**

## Independence Homecoming Court Pledge of Responsibility

*Please read through this carefully, print and sign your name in the required areas and check each of the statements below. Be sure to have your parents/guardians sign as well.*

*Good Luck!*

### CANDIDATE PLEDGE

I \_\_\_\_\_ realize that my duties and responsibilities as a candidate for the 2021 Homecoming Court include the following:

- I must maintain a unweighted GPA of at least 2.5.
- I must, at all times set a good example as an Independence representative. I understand that my grade(s) and discipline record could prevent me from being eligible.
- I will cooperate fully with the Student Council, their sponsors, and the Independence Administration.
- I will abide by ALL the rules and regulations outlined in the CMS Student Code of Conduct.
- I will be appropriately dressed for all Homecoming activities. Failure to adhere to the school and district dress code WILL result in my exclusion from those activities.
- I understand that this is NOT a political campaign and that I shall follow clean campaign rules.
- I will represent Independence High School and myself to the best of my ability.

***If for any reason, I cannot or do not fulfill any or all of these responsibilities, I understand that I will be eliminated from participation on the Homecoming Court.***

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Candidate Printed Name*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Candidate Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

### PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ give permission for my daughter to participate in the activity of Homecoming Court. I have read and understand the requirements and criteria necessary to be chosen as a representative of Independence High School and will support the decision of the sponsor and administration in selecting eligible candidates. I also understand all the responsibilities and commitment involved in being a member of the court if she is selected.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent/Guardian Printed Name*

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*Parent/Guardian Signature*

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*Date*