# Michigan Tech Homecoming Court Competition 2022

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Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of Michigan Tech's Homecoming Court 2022. By applying you are choosing to commit to a tradition that you should uphold with honor and pride.

Please familiarize yourself with the requirements and commitments involved in being part of the Homecoming Court . Note that the completed applications are due via Involvement Link by **Thursday**, **September 22 at 12:00 PM** and there is a required Informational Session Thursday, September 22 3:00 PM in Alumni Lounge C. Your photo will be taken at this session.

Once again, thank you for your interest and I wish you the best of luck!

## **Homecoming Court Requirements**

To have your application taken into consideration you must meet the following prerequisites and agree to follow the rules listed below.

Note: Sponsoring organizations from any class can enter a candidate in the Homecoming Royalty competition. If a Homecoming team nominates more than one candidate, all candidates nominated by that group will be disqualified.

- 1. Candidate must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 and be in good academic and disciplinary standing with the University.
- 2. Candidate must be enrolled as a full-time student for the 2022 fall semester and have completed at least 48 credit hours
- 3. Candidate must be involved in at least one Michigan Tech registered student organization or community group.
- 4. Candidate must be able to attend all important dates and Homecoming events possible. Exceptions will be made for class; however, undue absences could lead to disqualification.

### Required Events:

- Information Session for Finalists Thursday, September 22 at 3:00PM, Alumni Lounge C
- Homecoming Court Dinner Thursday, October 6 at 6:00PM, Alumni Lounge
- Cardboard Boat Races Friday, October 7 at 4:00PM, Houghton Waterfront Park
- Homecoming Tailgate Saturday, October 8 from 11:00AM-1:00PM, SDC Parking Lot 24
- Homecoming Football Game Saturday, October 8 at 1:00PM, Sherman Field
- 5. Candidate must submit a nomination form via Involvement Link by Thursday, September 22 at 12:00PM.
- 6. Candidate/Sponsoring Organization must provide a nomination fee of \$20 for Residence Hall candidates approved documentation with IB number. Please make checks payable to Michigan Tech and drop them off to Student Leadership & Involvement, 112 Memorial Union Building.
- \*Please make sure check clearly indicates the candidate and sponsoring organization. Payments must be made by Thursday, September 22 at 3:00PM. You may bring it to the info meeting.
- 7. The use of alcohol or drugs before, during or immediately following a Homecoming event is strictly prohibited. Any court member found in violation of this rule will be disqualified immediately. In addition, inappropriate behavior or attitudes will not be tolerated. Consequences for your actions will be final.

<u>Candidates who do not meet these requirements will be disqualified. Previous Homecoming King,</u>

<u>Queen, and Royalty finalists are ineligible.</u>

# **Homecoming Court Important Policies**

**Nominations:** Registration opens on Thursday, September 8 at 12:00PM and closes on Thursday, September 22 at 12:00PM. Registration can be completed on Involvement Link. Registration must be completed online.

**Sponsorship:** Any Homecoming team from any class can enter a candidate in the Homecoming Royalty Competition. If a team nominates more than one candidate, all candidates nominated by that team will be disqualified. Candidate/Sponsoring Organization must provide a nomination fee of \$20 – for Residence Hall candidates approved documentation with IB number. Please make checks payable to Michigan Tech and drop them off to Student Leadership & Involvement, 112 Memorial Union Building. \*Please make sure the check clearly indicates the candidate and sponsoring organization. Payments must be made by Thursday, September 22 at 3:00PM. You may bring it to the info meeting.

Campaigning: The sponsoring group is responsible for all advertising of their candidate. Candidates will have their picture taken at the Info Session on September 22 at 3:00PM. Only this picture may be used for publicity purposes. After the picture has been taken, you will receive an electronic copy of your image. Any other photos used will result in disqualification. Each group is required to create their own advertising, which should contain only the approved headshot along with voting information. Teams should be aware that Michigan Tech has posting policies that should be followed. If you are unaware of these policies, please contact homecoming@mtu.edu with any questions.

\*\*All publicity should be in good spirit of Homecoming and Michigan Tech. Publicity may not be used to slander another candidate.\*\*

**Voting:** Voting to select the top eight candidates for Royalty from all nominees will take place online starting at 8:00AM Monday, September 26 and ending at 3:00PM Thursday, September 29. All candidates will be emailed late afternoon on Thursday, September 29 with results. Voting can be found on Involvement Link.

### **Obligations:**

Candidates who make the Homecoming Court will be required to: Finalists are highly encouraged to wear their court sashes during the entirety of the week. They are also highly encouraged to participate in or appear at as many Homecoming activities as possible throughout the week.

Attend the Finalists Dinner on Thursday, October 6 starting at 6:00PM in the Alumni Lounge. At this time, candidates should be prepared to address the judges with a short (2-3 minute) speech as to why they should be selected as one of the royalty. They should also be prepared to answer several questions, asked by a moderator, related to their experiences at Michigan Tech. Judges will score candidates based on their speech and responses to questions in relation to community involvement, personality and pose. Attire is business casual. If a letter of excuse is needed from academic courses or exams is needed, please see the Student Leadership & Involvement staff.

Finalists will be required to volunteer at the Cardboard Boat Races beginning at 4:00PM on Friday, October 7. Please arrive by 3:45PM. Attire is Homecoming shirts and Homecoming Sashes (weather permitting).

Finalists are required to attend the Homecoming Tailgate, on Saturday, October 8 at 11:00 AM. Attire is Homecoming sweatshirts and Homecoming Sashes (weather permitting).

Finalists must also be at the Football Game, on Saturday, October 8 at 1:00PM. Meet at the west entrance when ten minutes remains on the clock before half- time. Make sure you prepare properly to arrive on time and bring your Homecoming Court Sash. Attire is semi-formal. During halftime, the court will be introduced and the 2022 Homecoming Royalty will be crowned.

Additionally, for the 2022 Homecoming Royalty, participation in the 2023 Homecoming is required in the following areas:

- Announce the court at the selected athletic event.
- Be present at the court dinner to act as a MC or moderator.
- Attend the crowning of the Homecoming Royalty.

Failure to attend any of the activities specified as mandatory will result in immediate disqualification unless it is an emergency, class or approved by the Homecoming Committee. Due to the advanced notification, work will not be considered an excused absence.