

# **Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen Pageant Seeks Contestants – \$500 Scholarship Prize**

The Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen pageant is seeking contestants from New Bedford and surrounding cities and towns.

The ideal candidate is a teen who wishes to be a role model throughout the Southcoast. She must value the notion of making a difference in her community, and specifically in New Bedford.

Anyone is eligible to enter per the following requirements. Contestants must be between the ages of 13 and 17 and must live or attend school in the Greater New Bedford area. This includes Acushnet, Assonet, Dartmouth, Fairhaven, Freetown, Lakeville, Mattapoisett, New Bedford, and Rochester. (17-year-olds must be a junior. If a senior, you must compete in the Miss New Bedford pageant in the fall).

The winner will receive a \$500 scholarship, entry to the Miss Massachusetts' Outstanding Teen pageant, plus additional gifts from community sponsors. The winner will also spend an entire year making appearances, and engaging in various community service and leadership opportunities. Runners-up and top scoring contestants will also receive scholarships and/or recognition.

Contestants compete in five phases of competition: Interview (before the pageant), Talent, Physical Fitness (a brief, group Zumba-style routine), On-Stage Question, and Evening Wear. \*\*\*This is not a glitz/glam pageant, nor does it

require an expensive wardrobe.

A full information session will be held on Sunday December 11th at 9:00 AM at the Cheryl McCormack Academy of Dance located at 731 Tarkiln Hill Road, New Bedford. Attendance does not obligate competing, however interested contestants are required to attend. If this date does not work, we encourage contestants to contact us to discuss a secondary date.

To register for the info session, email [info@missnewbedford.org](mailto:info@missnewbedford.org) or call (508) 971-9564. You may also visit [www.MissNewBedford.org](http://www.MissNewBedford.org) or find Miss New Bedford on Facebook

*\*The pageant will be held on Saturday January 14th at 6:00 p.m. at Keith Middle School in New Bedford.*