

Miss He Sapa Win

2025 BHPW Association Rules and Regulations

1. Must be between 18-26 years old at the time of the Miss He Sapa Win Pageant.
2. Must be currently enrolled in school (high school, college, grad, trade).
3. Must be of Oceti Sakowin decent and provide proof if needed.
4. Must be drug and alcohol free.
5. Must have never been married or given birth.
6. Must have basic knowledge of your Tribe.
7. Must be available for crowning, ceremonies, publicity, parades, gatherings, etc.
8. Must wear dance regalia for the entire Black Hills Pow Wow.
9. Must be available to provide a picture for publicity.
10. Must provide own transportation to events.
11. The titleholder will be responsible for the care, maintenance, and safekeeping of the crown and sash throughout the year.
12. It is mandatory for the titleholder who is crowned to represent the BHPW at local pow wows.
13. Have strong public speaking skills as needed for public speaking.
14. Will hold only the "Miss He Sapa Win" title until the reign is over.
15. Must attend the Black Hills Powwow and crown successor.
16. Shall attend each grand entry at the Black Hills Powwow.
17. Shall not post pictures of your significant other on your private or public social media accounts during your reign.
18. Must be respectful of her title and conduct herself respectfully in the public eye and on social media.
19. Shall not make major appearance changes from when selected as Miss He Sapa Win until the reign is over.
20. You may not have previously served as Miss He Sapa Win.

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Responsibilities:

- If selected, Miss He Sapa Win, will be selected to perform duties that best represent the Black Hills Powwow, as well as serving as a positive role model to all.
- As an emerging leader in the local community, she will be expected to participate fully in the current and upcoming years' Black Hills Powwow, including all local powwows.
- Wearing her regalia for the entire powwow.
- Welcoming all powwow guests by speaking at each grand entry and where she is needed.
- Dance in all inter-tribals.
- Attend the Black Hills Powwow and assist in crowning her successor.
- Inform the BHPW Members if she plans on doing a special or giveaway at the powwow (not required).
- Throughout the year, the titleholder will be expected to uphold the highest standards of leadership, cultural and community involvement.
- She will be expected to represent the Black Hills Powwow at a minimum of six powwows available for crowning, ceremonies, publicity, parades, and any other Indigenous gathering as called upon.

SELECTION PROCESS & NOTIFICATION: 2025 Miss He Sapa Win will be named on Saturday, October 11, 2025, after 7:00PM Grand Entry.

Our selection committee will select the titleholder based upon each applicant's:

- Application
- Public Speaking and Interview
- Essay
- Presentation of Regalia
- Dance Participation

Miss He Sapa Win Application Deadline: September 20, 2025

**If you have any questions, please email:
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