



HANDBOOK

2027 SEASON PRELIMINARY PAGEANT

ALL ABOUT AUSTRALIAN PRELIMINARY PAGEANTS

AGE DIVISIONS AT SUNBURST PAGEANTS AUSTRALIA 2026/27

Sunburst is an inclusive pageant system for Miss and Mr Models. Boys and girls are judged separately.

BOYS DIVISIONS;

0-23 Months	2-4 Years	5-9 Years
10-13 Years	14-17 Years	18 Years+

GIRLS DIVISIONS;

Preliminary title ages:	0-23 Months	2-4Years	4-6Years
	7-9 Years	10-13 Years	14-17 Years
	18-26 Years	27+	

SECTIONS OFFERED (details can be found later in the handbook)

Compulsory Outfit Divisions at prelim pageant
Formal Wear PINK theme wear

Side lines:

Best Smile, Prettiest Eyes, Best Personality, Model Look, Best Attire

Optional Photo Divisions - Photogenic

Bring your best photo to be judged for photogenic. Any size but no larger than 8.5 x 11. Your photos will be returned to you while you are at the pageant. Professional and personally taken photos will be accepted. Additional photo entries are accepted, and additional entries are \$5 each. The winner in each age group will receive a crown.

HOW THE DAY WILL RUN

After registration we will host all outfit events, sidelines will be selected throughout the day and scores tallied. There will be age division winners for both divisions and then we will have our crowning ceremony. Each age group will have an overall winner. Overall Queen and King will receive a paid entry to states 2027

FORMAL WEAR DIVISION 2026/27

Boys and Girls are crowned separately.

We will NOT combine age divisions for formal division even if there are low entry numbers. We may combine for stage walk purposes only, so models aren't alone if there are small numbers in their group.

They are still only judged in their age division at Sunburst.

Under 5's must be accompanied by an adult on stage (parent/grandparent/coach etc). Contestants will be called to line up on stage as a group in their age divisions for group introduction and photos.

EXPECTATIONS FOR 0-4 YEARS

Each contestant will enter the stage and be presented in the centre of the stage by one adult. Encourage your child to smile, be cute, show personality. They will be judged on overall appearance and personality. They will then exit the stage





EXPECTATIONS FOR OVER 4YRS +

Each contestant will go on stage one at a time. Contestant will model/turn/pose in the centre of the stage and judged on, overall appearance and poise/projection. Choreographed walk is highly recommended and remember PRACTICE makes perfect.

MC will read out your Bio and then please exit when you are asked. Your MC will call you off 30seconds from hitting centre.

Styling Expectations 2026/27

Sunburst is **glitz** in outfit expectations and expects children to always look glamorous but with its primary focus on age appropriate styling. Please read the expectations below.

OUTFIT EXPECTATIONS FOR FORMAL DIVISION

GIRLS

Baby-4yrs Party Wear (off the rack) or Pageant cupcake dress and enclosed dress shoe.

5-11yrs Cupcake / Formal Gown

Must be able to walk comfortably, dress shoe.

12-13 Years - Formal Gown (floor length) Must be able to walk comfortably, dress shoe.

Over 14's - Formal Gown (floor length) dress shoe to suit outfit.

BOYS – Tux/Suit well styled, enclosed dress shoe

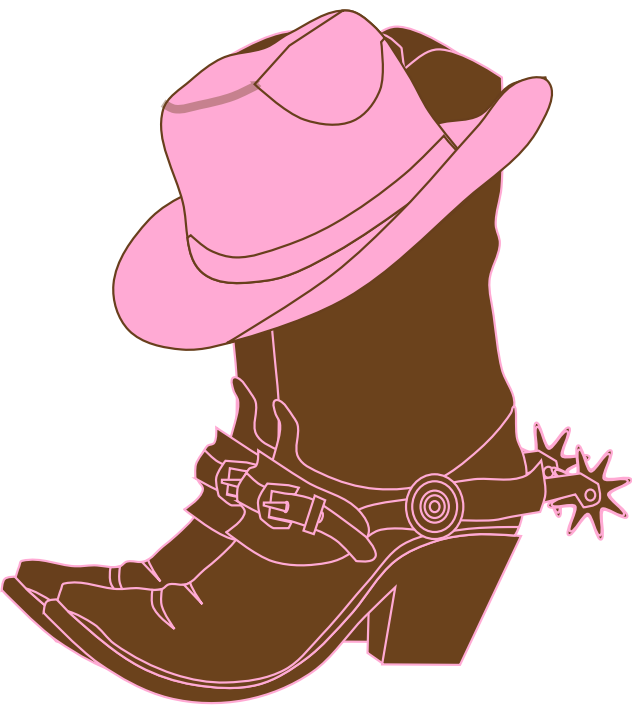
THEME WEAR DIVISION - BOOTS&BLING

As we are combining scores to find our overall age division kings and queens, make sure your OOC section is also stage worthy. You can style any way you like, dance costumes, fun fashion or theme wear the choice is yours. Please do not wear formal wear as we want to keep formal in its own division. Apart from that the choice is yours. Accessories and hand held props welcome. Must fit the theme of boots and bling, so think glam cowgirl/boy

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MAKE UP AND HAIR STYLING

Hair is expected to be very well styled on all age groups.

This IS a deciding factor for our judges so style appropriately and put your best self forward.

Tan and false nails – is allowed but must remain age appropriate.
(This will also be allowed at International level)

All age appropriate stage make up OK to create a beautiful naturally enhanced look. please keep nails at an appropriate length and not be a distraction.

Elegance, Well styled and age appropriate is key for SUNBUST SUCCESS



SUNBURST CALENDAR

Preliminary Pageants

- SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2026 AUSTRALIAN PINK PAGEANT**
Campbelltown Catholic CLub
- JANUARY 10th, 2026 Boots & Bling**

State Finals Australia

- MARCH 14th, 2027 NSW State pageant**
- APRIL 4TH, 2026 VIC state pageant**
- APRIL 18TH, 2026 QLD State Pageant**