All 2014 Homecoming Chief and Princess Applicants:

The Student Alumni Association is excited that you have chosen to be a part of the Seminole Tradition by applying to be on the 2014 Homecoming Court. We are looking forward to another wonderful Homecoming and encourage all Seminoles with distinguished enthusiasm and pride in The Florida State University to take a chance to become the next Homecoming Chief or Princess. However, before you start the application process, please be sure you adhere to the following requirements:

- All applicants must be undergraduate or graduate students who have attended The Florida State University for at least one academic year.

- All applicants must have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average and have completed, or be registered for completion of 90 or more hours. Graduate students must have at least a 3.0 FSU graduate grade point average and at least 18 graduate credit hours completed.

- All undergraduate applicants must be enrolled at least 9 hours in the semester of their candidacy. All graduate applicants must be enrolled in the appropriate number of semester credit hours as determined by their graduate department. Those undergraduate seniors requiring less than 9 hours to graduate in Fall 2014 may be exempted. Written documentation must be submitted from the appropriate office(s).

- The $20 application fee may be sponsored by a student organization, a university residence hall, a fraternity/sorority, or paid by applicant him/herself. Please make check payable to “FSU Alumni Association.”

Once you have completed your application, please return it to the FSU Alumni Association, located at 1030 W. Tennessee St., no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, September 26th. No exceptions will be made to the application deadline. The applications will be reviewed the week of September 29th. On October 4th the top 15 male candidates and top 15 female candidates will be invited to interview at the Alumni Association during the week of October 6th.

Applications that are submitted in binders or bound will not be accepted.

The Student Alumni Association wishes you the best of luck and appreciates your enthusiasm and Seminole spirit. Should you have any questions or concerns about the application and/or court selection process, please contact Nikki Bhavsar at the information below.

Go Noles!

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Homecoming Deadlines and Important Dates

- Friday, September 26, 2014: Applications due at 5:00 PM (no late applications will be accepted)
- Saturday, October 4, 2014: Top 15 Male, Top 15 Female candidates invited for interview
- Saturday, October 4, 2014: Candidates will receive e-mail to sign up for interviews on Doodle
- Tues-Wed, October 7-8, 2014: Homecoming Court interviews at the Alumni Association
- Friday, October 10, 2014: Homecoming Court announced
- Monday, October 13, 2014: Homecoming Court Meeting at the Alumni Association

Selection of Homecoming Court
Areas that the selection committee will be using as criteria for selecting six (6) male candidates for Chief and six (6) female candidates for Princess are:

1. Applicant’s interview: considering clarity of expression/speech, awareness of campus issues, future focus/contribution, poise, and confidence.
3. FSU involvement and leadership: considering length, breadth, depth, diversity of involvement, overall leadership, accomplishments, and positions held.
4. Community service: considering type of community service, amount of community service, and variety of community service.
5. Overall presentation: considering passion for FSU, ability to represent the university, and other considerations contingent on interview and application.
2014 HOMECOMING COURT CAMPAIGN RULES

The purpose of the Homecoming campaigning rules is to ensure that no student has built in or unfair advantages. It is the goal of Florida State University to create a hospitable campus environment in which all members of the University can work together and learn from each other in a climate of mutual respect. We ask that students uphold the Garnet and Gold through personal integrity throughout this entire process.

Campaigning is defined as the distribution or use of campaign materials, the publicizing or solicitation of support for or against a candidate for Homecoming Court, and calling forth the action to vote or support.

- Prohibited campaigning materials include: banners (this includes Greek Houses and Union Courtyard), make signs, make buttons, chalk on sidewalks, wall paintings (on College, Jefferson, Copeland, and Park), create apparel, flyers, or Facebook events/pages to campaign for election of Chief & Princess. **Only** the approved Homecoming Court poster, which the SAA Homecoming Chairs, will give are acceptable to hang up.
  - The SAA Homecoming Chairs will give each candidate posters to hang up in preapproved posting areas of campus (posting.fsu.edu). SAA will also hang these posters on several areas of campus.

- The day prior to Chief & Princess elections candidates will be asked to deactivate their Facebook pages. You will be able to reactivate immediately at 6PM on Wednesday, November 5th, one hour after elections are over.

- Homecoming Court candidates may not solicit votes through texting/phone call/email campaigns.

- Due to the fact each candidate will be representing the University, the SAA Homecoming Chairs ask that all social media is clean, respectable, and upright.

- If one is to find a violation of these rules, please contact the SAA Homecoming Chairs and Assistant Director of Student Programs at the contact information below to explain the campaign violation:
  - Nikki Bhavsar & Shaye Newman            fsusaahomecoming@gmail.com
  - Meagan Flint, Assistant Director of Student Programs      mflint@fsu.edu

  If any of these rules are violated, the first offense will be a written warning from the Overall Homecoming Committee. The second offense will be removal from the Homecoming Court.

By signing below candidates understand and agree upon the above rules and pledge to zero tolerance for unethical campaigning, threatening communications, or violation of election.

___________________________________________
Candidate’s Name (Printed):

___________________________________________
Candidate’s Signature                     Date
2014 Homecoming Court Application: Fueling the Flame
Sponsored by the Student Alumni Association and SGA

APPLICATION DUE BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th BY 5:00 P.M AT THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.
Please Note: A $20 application fee of cash or check (make checks payable to “FSU Alumni Association”) will be due and collected when you turn in this completed application at the Alumni Center, 1030 W. Tennessee St.

Please type or print all responses legibly
Name: __________________________________________________________________________
Local Address: _____________________________________________________________ Cell Phone: ____________________
FSU ID: ____________________ Major: ____________________ Minor: ____________________
Hours completed: _______ Hours currently enrolled: _______ Overall GPA:________ (minimum 3.0)
Class Standing: SR GRAD (circle one)

Please submit a ONE page resume and attach this as well as a letter of recommendation from a FSU faculty or staff member to the application.

Please type your responses to these questions on a separate sheet of paper. Limit each response to 250 words.

1. What does being part of the “Seminole Nation” mean to you?

2. What will be your legacy at FSU as a member of the 2014 Homecoming Court?

3. Which of your accomplishments at Florida State are you most proud of and why?

Release of Information Authorization
THIS APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED OR IT WILL NOT BE PROCESSED

I have hereby read, understood, and agreed to abide by the Homecoming Election Code. I hereby consent to allow the representative of the FSU Student Alumni Association to examine my academic records for the purpose of verifying my eligibility for candidacy in the 2014 Homecoming Chief & Princess Elections and agree to have my FSUCard photo released for identification purposes.

Signature: ______________________________
Print Name: ____________________________
FSU ID: _______________ Cell Phone: ____________

For Office Use Only
Overall GPA: ______
Hours: ______