Dear Prospective 2023 Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in the 2023 Cinderella Charity Ball! The Cinderella Ball directly benefits the Boys & Girls Clubs in Arlington and is the longest consecutively running charitable event in the city. The Ladies’ Auxiliary of Arlington is an organization of dedicated volunteers whose purpose is to raise funds to benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs in Arlington. Plans are underway for the **63rd Annual Cinderella Charity Ball** to be held on April 8, 2023, at the Esports Stadium Arlington & Expo Center. We look forward to another successful year! I encourage you and your parents to visit our website at [www.cinderellacharityball.com](http://www.cinderellacharityball.com/) to obtain more information about the Ball and the Ladies’ Auxiliary.

Candidates are selected by a committee from the applications submitted. Being a Cinderella Candidate requires a genuine interest in the Boys & Girls Clubs in Arlington and a willingness to work on their behalf. The Ball is only as successful as the fundraising of the candidates, and a great deal of time and effort is needed to be successful; but the memories last a lifetime! It will be several weeks of fun, publicity, excitement and accomplishment! Candidates leave this experience with new skills and an understanding of the impact you can make on your community through volunteer service.

Before making your decision, I suggest you and your parents talk with previous candidates and their parents – discuss what is expected of a Cinderella Candidate and ask them to share their experiences. It is important that you are aware of the time and expense that will be incurred in a fundraising campaign. As a parent of a former candidate, I’m more than happy to discuss any questions you may have. You can reach me directly at 817-269-2764.

**Time:** There are events leading up to the Ball which require you and your parents’ attendance. If you are chosen as a candidate, we expect Ball events will take priority over all other activities in which you are involved. Please review the enclosed calendar dates carefully to ensure you will be able to attend all Cinderella activities. Failure to attend several events could result in being released as a Cinderella Candidate.

As a candidate, you will also be required to volunteer at the Boys & Girls Clubs in Arlington. There are many opportunities for you to volunteer, either after school or on weekends. Once your campaign begins, you will need to set aside time for follow-up to your letters with phone calls, speaking engagements, and most of all – **THANK YOU NOTES** for all donations.

**Expenses:** Primary expenses include the purchase of a ball gown, printing and mailing of your campaign letters, as well as the purchase of tickets to the Ball. Candidates and their escorts do not have to purchase a ticket; however, all other party members must purchase a ticket to the Ball.

Again, thank you for your interest in being considered as a Cinderella Candidate. Please read the instructions carefully and return the application by the deadline. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions about candidacy or the Ball itself.

Sincerely,

*Lee Ann Jerome*

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President, Ladies’ Auxiliary of Arlington

Cinderella Charity Ball Candidate Application

*Application must be typed, not handwritten. Font size 12 at minimum.*

Applicant Full Name:

Applicant Cell Number: Applicant E-mail:

Address: City: Zip:

School: Grade: GPA: T-Shirt size:

Birthdate:

Mother’s Full Name:

Mother’s Cell: Mother’s E-mail:

Father’s Full Name:

Father’s Cell: Father’s E-mail:

Mother’s Occupation:

Father’s Occupation:

*Please note parent participation is expected during the campaign.*

*Emails & phone numbers are for Auxiliary use during campaign only and will not be published.*

Preferred Name:

Applicant:

Mother: Father:

Parents Community Involvement

Father:

Mother:

 Siblings Names, ages, grade and school:

Stepparent Names (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Former family involvement with Cinderella Charity Ball, include dates:

*Note: Daughters of members of Ladies Auxiliary, the Boys & Girls Club Board, or sisters of previous candidates will be given special consideration but are not guaranteed selection as a candidate.*

If applicable, list who nominated you:

Name: Address: Email: Phone: Years known:

Describe your relationship (personal friend, family friend, acquaintance, etc.)

High School Activities:

9th:

10th:

11th:

Activities outside of school:

Church Affiliation:

Honors & Awards:

Hobbies:

Work Experience:

After High School Plans:

***PLEASE SIGN BELOW IF YOU ARE WILLING TO ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF A CINDERELLA CANDIDACY***.

***(Must be signed by both applicant and parent before submitting)***

Applicant Signature:

Date:

Parent Signature:

Date:

Cinderella Candidate Application Instructions

Please attach a photo to all 12 applications.

Application must be typed, not handwritten. Font size 12 at minimum.

Please drop off twelve (12) copies of this application with photo and one copy of the signed Cinderella Ball 2023 Calendar to the Ball Co-Chair or Ladies Auxiliary Rep by

**Friday, November 18th**:

 Ms. Jan Barton Gerro

3515 Lake Tahoe Drive

 Arlington, TX 76016

gerro@sbcglobal.net

 817-929-1185

Mrs. Dawn Serman

1716 Autumn Lane

 Arlington, TX 76012

 dawn.serman@mac.com

817-689-4799

**Acceptance letters will be hand delivered to the candidate at the address listed on this application on:**

Thursday, December 15, 2022, between *3:00pm - 4:30pm*

\*\*REQUIRED Introductory Meeting for the candidate and a parent later that day (12/15). There will also be an opportunity to Purchase your Dress between 5pm - 9:30pm. \*\*Your assigned time will be in your acceptance letter.

*Declined application letters will be mailed to the address listed on the application.*

Cinderella Ball 2023 Calendar

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|  | Thursday, December 15 | Introduction Meetings *(Candidate & Parent(s))* |
|  | Friday, January 6 | Parent Social *(Parents)* |
|  | Saturday, January 7 | Cinderella Candidate Social *(Candidates)* |
|  | Sunday, January 8 | Introduction to Campaign *(Candidate & Parent(s))* |
|  | January 9 - February 2 | Portrait Sessions – *(Candidate & Parent/Guardian)* |
|  | Saturday, January 21 | Tour of Boys & Girls Club and Financial Seminar *(Candidate & Parent(s))* |
|  | Saturday, February 18 | Couples Dinner (*Candidates & Parents / Escorts & Escort Parents)* |
|  | Thursday, March 2 | Portrait Unveiling *(Candidates & Parent(s))* |
|  | Sunday, March 5 | Cinderella Casual *(Candidates)* |
|  | Sunday, March 26 | Cinderella Tea & Ticket/Table Deadline *(Candidates & Mothers)* |
|  | March 28 & 30 | Reservation Check-In *(Candidate & Parent(s))* |
|  | Saturday, April 1 | Mother/Daughter Luncheon *(Candidates & Mothers)* |
|  | Friday, April 7 | Financial Check-In *(Candidate & Parent(s))* |
|  | Saturday, April 8 | Rehearsal & Ball *(Candidates, Parents, Escorts)* |

*\*Note: Use of Parent(s) and/or Mother(s) above is synonymous with Guardian(s)*

*Please check all school, sports, and outside activity dates to*

*Ensure you can attend all events!*

By signing below, you are stating you will attend the events listed.

Applicant’s Signature Parent’s Signature