

Father Christmas Contestant Release Form



Father Christmas is the name used in many English speaking countries as for the symbolic figure associated with Christmas. Father Christmas is known as "The Spirit of Good Cheer" at Christmas. However, his origins in the early 17th Century did not depict him as neither a gift-bearer or particularly associated with children. Father Christmas' traditions dealt with the Christmas Feast.

The modern image of Father Christmas which influenced the belief of Santa Claus now is a bearer of gifts to Children on Christmas Eve.

The Black River Area Chamber of Commerce along with the Black River Falls Downtown Association will select one young man from Jackson County who represents the Sprit of Christmas and meets all contestant qualifications.

Father Christmas will be a representative of the Black River Falls Downtown Association and Black River Area Chamber of Commerce.

Young men between the ages of 14 and 18 and reside in Jackson County, WI will be considered as a Father Christmas Contestant.

This Year's Father Christmas will be selected by an interview process with a panel of judges in November, at the Black River Area Chamber Of Commerce, 120 N. Water Street, Black River Falls, WI. Date to be determined.

2011-12 Father Christmas Duties and Expectations

- Participation in charitable campaigns during candidacy and reining year.
- Participation in various Christkindl Festival events on December 2nd and 3rd, 2011.
- Participation in Jackson County parades and events.
- Participation in Black River Falls Downtown Association and Black River Area Chamber of Commerce promotional events.
- Participation in the selection and coronation of the 2012 Father Christmas.

Transportation to and from events will be the responsibility of parents or guardians

How to Apply for Candidacy of Father Christmas

- Complete the Father Christmas Contestant Release Form.
- Complete the Father Christmas Contestant Application.
- Submit completed Contestant Release Form and Application (before November 1st, 2011) to: **Black River Area Chamber of Commerce
120 N. Water Street
Black River Falls, WI 54615**

For questions, Contact the Black River Area Chamber of Commerce at (715) 284-4658 or Email: chamber@blackrivercountry.net

I, the parent and/or guardian of _____, whom is seeking the honor of being Father Christmas, have fully read and understand the conditions and rules of the contest. By signing this, I hereby agree to adhere to these rules.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Contestant Name: _____ Contestant Signature: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

