

Frequently Asked USER Questions:

Q. Is there an age requirement for the babies?

- A.** Yes, Babies must be 3-48 months at the time the photo was taken. Picture uploaded must have been taken between January 1, 2010 and June 25, 2010.

Q. What are the contest dates?

- A.** Beautiful Babies will accept photos beginning Monday 5/31/2010 at 5:00 AM (EST) until Friday 6/25/2010 at 11:59PM EST. Entries will be divided into local galleries (gallery determined by website user enters through). Photo voting begins Monday 6/28/2010 12:01AM (EST) and continues until 7/14/2010 at 11:59PM EST.

All local winners will roll up into National Contest. National Vote for all of the Local Winners will run from Friday 7/16/2010 through Wednesday 7/28/2010 at 11:59 PM (EST).

Q. When will the winners be announced?

- A.** Local winners will be announced Thursday, July 15, 2010.
National winners will be announced Friday July 30, 2010.

Q. Can a photo be submitted after the voting has begun?

- A.** No.

Q. How are the babies rotated through the gallery?

- A.** There is a random rotation so you should rarely see the same baby twice unless you enter the photo gallery through a link of a specific baby's photo. Once you vote on the photo on the first link, you will be randomly inserted into the main gallery.

Q. How many babies were entered in last year's contest?

- A.** About 50,000 babies were entered in the national contest in 2009.

Q. How can I rotate/adjust/crop my baby's photo in the gallery?

- A.** You can crop your photo before final submission, but once you hit SUBMIT the photo cannot be adjusted.

Q. I can't find my baby in the gallery?

- A.** Check the link sent to you in the "Thank You" email after submission. If you can see your child in that link, your child is in the gallery. You can send that URL out anytime during the voting period to link directly to your child.

Q. My picture had multiple children in it, but it's not showing up in the gallery.

- A. If your picture had more than one baby displayed (not twins or triplets) the photo was NOT accepted. Please see official rules for details.

*(Sec #3 Eligibility: The child must be between the ages of 3 months and 48 months at the time that the photo was taken. Photo must be taken between 1/1/2010 and 6/25/2010. **You are free to depict twins, triplets, etc. in the photo but no other people should appear in the photograph.**)*

Q. What if the comments that appear on a photo are discouraging and not encouraging?

- A. Please see Official Rules for full Conditions of Entry details.

(Sec #9 Other Conditions of Entry: ..Please note that there will be a commenting function on the Participating Websites that will allow participants, viewers and voters to comment on Photos. Commenter's may not make any comment that is defamatory, obscene, invades the right of privacy or is otherwise deemed unacceptable in the sole discretion of Sponsor.)

Q. I see my child's photo but I do not want him/her in the contest.

- A. Once we receive a request to remove a photo, we will send a verification email to the email address the profile of the user that uploaded the picture submitted. Once we receive confirmation, the photo will be permanently removed from the contest. If you have more inquiries on this topic, please email us at beautifulbabies@tribune.com.

Q. How are the votes being tallied?

- A. Please see the "Selection of Winners" link on the front page of the Beautiful Babies contest website.

Q. Do I have to register to vote for a baby photo?

- A. Yes.

Q. Do my votes count if I log out before going through all of the photographs?

- A. Yes.

Q. How many times can I vote for my child's photo?

- A. Registered users can vote one time per valid email address, per picture per day (midnight-midnight). Votes in excess of this limit will NOT be counted.