



2015 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES

OHJA awards academic scholarships for continuing education at an accredited college, university, or other school of higher learning based on the following five criteria:

- Content of Scholarship Application
- Applicant's Letters of Recommendation
- Applicant's Horsemanship Knowledge and Achievements
- Applicant's Future Goals and Plans
- Interview of Applicant by Scholarship Committee

Applicants may accrue a total of 100 points. Fifteen potential points are available for each of the first four criteria listed above, with an additional 40 potential points available for the overall impression of the application and the applicant during the interview. The Scholarship Committee selects the strongest applicants for awards based upon the total points accrued during the application process.

Applicants must be current OHJA members at the time of application, and may apply as early as their junior year in high school or as late as their final year in college. However, please note that applicants may only receive one scholarship award. To be eligible, the Scholarship Committee must receive from the applicant *all* of the following:

- An official high school transcript;
- An official college transcript (if applicable);
- Three (3) letters from character references (suggested references include teachers, trainers, counselors, employers, coaches, etc.). References from relatives, either by blood or marriage, will not be considered; and
- A completed Scholarship Application, including answers to the questions set forth on page 2 of the Application. Answers should be documented in a business letter or resume format using a separate paragraph for each response. Neatness and legibility are essential.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST BE EMAILED OR POSTMARKED BY DECEMBER 1, 2015. Once applications are received, all applicants will be notified regarding the date, time, and location of their interview.

Email applications are preferred. Completed applications should be sent to:

Martha Brooks, OHJA Scholarship Committee Chair
43737 NW Woollen Rd.
Banks, OR 97106-7213
Phone: (541) 944-1797
Email: paxdiemec@gmail.com



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Please provide the following information and email it to the contact listed on the Scholarship Application Guidelines. If you do not have access to a computer, OHJA will accept hard copy or hand-written applications by mail.

Last Name

First Name

M. I.

Address

OHJA Membership Number

City/State/ZIP

Social Security Number

Parent/Guardian Name

Birth Date

Parent/Guardian Address

Email

Parent/Guardian City/State/ZIP

Home Phone Number

Please answer each of the following questions, using a separate paragraph(s) for each response:

1. Education Goals:

To which schools you have applied or intend to apply? Have you been accepted to any of these schools? If so, which ones? What do you intend to study, or what is your anticipated major? What prompted your choice of schools and intended course of study?

2. Applicant Profile:

Are you currently attending school? If so, what school? What is your current grade level/year?

Do you have any other school or work experience? If so, list the applicable dates and describe your experience.

3. Leadership and Community Activities:

Have you held any organizational offices or positions of leadership? If so, list the applicable dates, the name of the organization(s), and describe your experience

4. Participation in Extracurricular School, Civic and Volunteer Activities:

Have you participated in any extracurricular school, civic, and/or volunteer activities? If so, list the applicable dates, the name of the organization(s), and describe your experience

5. Horsemanship & OHJA Involvement:

Describe your riding background and accomplishments, including the length and extent of your involvement with OHJA

6. Honors/Awards:

Have you received any non-horse-related or community awards or honors? If so, describe your awards or honors

7. What is Your Most Valuable Learning Experience Related to Horses and/or Riding?

Describe the most valuable lesson – whether positive or negative - you have learned from your experience with horses and/or riding. Why has this experience been so valuable to you?

RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I, _____(print), hereby authorize the Oregon Hunter Jumper Association to release any and all information contained in my child's completed Scholarship Application to the OHJA Scholarship Committee and the OHJA Board of Directors.

Signature of Applicant's Parent/Guardian

Date

CERTIFICATION

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, all of the information provided in my OHJA Scholarship Application is complete and accurate.

Applicant's Signature

Date