**One (1) $2,000 Senior Scholarship and**

**One (1) $1,000 Junior Scholarship**

# *Qualifications and Requirements*

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1. Must be a junior or senior enrolled in a high school program, moving on to under graduate, apprentice, or work training program. Applicant must explain or verify their intentions in writing.
2. Eligible applicants must have completed at least 150 hours (for Senior applicants) or 100 hours (for Junior applications) of community service in the past three years, actively participate in the equestrian community, and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50.
3. Must show intention of attending an NCAA or IHSA college or university and participating on that college or university’s equestrian team. Junior Scholarship applicants do not have to have an intended college or university selected.
4. Students must have verification of their grade point average from their high school registrar. A transcript must have official school seal. Should your institution only mail official transcripts, please have the transcript mailed directly to the committee. You must enclose an unofficial transcript in packet information.
5. A note or letter must be sent from your team coach of the riding team to verify that they have been on the team for the entire year.
6. Submit two written letters of recommendation stating why you should win.
7. Prepare a Project that answers: **What it means to me to be an equestrian.** Applicant may use one or more of the following types of media completed to be considered for this scholarship. A combination of media will be weighted highly favorable to the applicant.
* Write a 500-word essay completed in professional word document.
* Use a Power Point or similar media to express your thoughts.
* Social media, blogs or video is encouraged to be used
* Applicant can reference Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube.
1. Applicants must send all supporting material in one packet with a CD or thumb drive to be considered complete. If the following is not received in your packet, your application will be considered incomplete.
* Completed Application
* Verification letter from team coach or team advisor
* Documentation of Community Service Hours
* Equestrian Project: What it Means to Me to be an Equestrian
1. In addition to the package above, the following must be submitted directly to the YEDA Scholarship Committee:
* Official Transcript (High School to submit directly to YEDA at address below)
* Two Letters of Recommendation (Send directly to YEDA at address below)
1. All completed packages must be postmarked and submitted to the YEDA Scholarship Committee on or before **April 15, 2018.**
2. The finalists and the scholarship award winners will have their names printed in the National Finals Horse Show Program and will receive a certificate in recognition of their outstanding achievement.
3. Agree to in writing that should your essay and media presentation win, you will allow to be shared for publication.

**Please mail completed packet to:**

Youth Equestrian Development Association

Attn: Scholarship Committee

11125 Township Road 180

Findlay, Ohio 45840

Email: showyedadocs@gmail.com

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### ALL INFORMATION MUST BE SENT IN ITS ENTIRETY TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE AWARD(S) 2018 Scholarship Application

1. Name of Applicant\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Home Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number(s): Home\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Current Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please complete all questions that follow.

1. Post High School Information: *Juniors complete as much as possible.*

College or University \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Year Applied: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ HS Graduating Class of: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Construct a statement explaining your after high school educational plans, goals and how you intend to achieve them.
2. Brief record of involvement in the Youth Equestrian Development Association (YEDA) and other Equestrian activities including competition, activities, volunteer work, jobs and other participation. (Please **do not list** out every ribbon won, just highlights).
3. Brief Description of Future Equine or Equestrian Related Aspirations
4. Highlights of High School/and or College Academic Involvement (clubs, band, athletics, special projects, awards or other special academic achievements)
5. Highlights of High School Community Service Activities/Projects (please indicate whether paid or volunteer activities) and provide documentation of number of hours.
6. Current means of meeting college expenses, please be specific and complete:
* Parents
* Student Loans
* Grants
* Job
* Other-explain
1. **SEND TRANSCRIPTS DIRECTLY TO YEDA**. Resume of scholastic record to date and current high school transcript with G.P.A.. OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE MAILED DIRECTLY TO YEDA AT ADDRESS SHOWN ON THIS APPLICATION -- TO BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2018.
2. RECOMMENDATIONS: Must include two current recommendations signed by the respective author. This also must include their contact information. **SEND DIRECTLY TO YEDA** either by email or mail. List names of references below:

1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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 Signature of Applicant Date

*READ CAREFULLY:* **Please submit completed application with all attachments directly to YEDA received no later than APRIL 15, 2018.**

Youth Equestrian Development Association

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