### Qualifications and Requirements

***ALL INFORMATION MUST BE SENT IN ITS ENTIRETY TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE AWARD(***S)

1. Must be a junior or senior enrolled in a high school program, moving on to undergraduate, 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. Include organized documentation.
3. Actively participate in the equestrian community, include organized documentation.
4. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50.
5. Special consideration given to seniors showing 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.
6. Students must have verification of their grade point average from their high school registrar. Please include a copy of your transcript with your application packet.
7. Must be a current member in good standing with YEDA.
8. Enclose a letter from your YEDA coach verifying that you have been on the team for at least one show season.
9. Submit two written letters of recommendation stating why you should be considered for this scholarship; these should be enclosed in the packet.
10. Be able to describe the following: **What it means to me to be an equestrian.** Using both a 500-word essay **and** a Power Point or similar media to express your thoughts. Both need to be printed and enclosed in the packet.
11. Applicants must include all the following information in the mailed packet, or this application will be considered incomplete. **Please PRINT all documents and include in packet.** 
    * Application Form
    * Official High School Transcript
    * Verification letter from team coach or team advisor
    * Two letters of recommendation
    * Essay and Power Point or similar media
12. All completed packages must be postmarked on or before **April 1st.**
13. The Senior Achievement Award Committee will announce all scholarship recipients by June 1st.
14. All applicants agree upon submission that your essay and media presentation could be used by YEDA.

## Please mail completed packet to:

Youth Equestrian Development Association Attn: Scholarship Committee

326 Pleasant St, Ashland, OH 44805 Questions ONLY Email: [trafeld@showyeda.com](mailto:trafeld@showyeda.com)

***Application***

# Name: Age:

YEDA Team: Number of YEDA Membership Years

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Mailing Address:

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.
3. Brief Description of Future Equine or Equestrian Related Aspirations.
4. Highlights of High School Involvement and Academics (clubs, band, athletics, special projects, awards or other special 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

*This signature verifies agreement upon submission that my essay and media presentation could be used by YEDA.*

# Signature: \_ Date:

If under 18, parent/guardian:

**Please Include all of the following PRINTED in Submission Packet:**

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**Rubric**

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| **Criteria** | **Points Possible** | **Points Earned** | **Notes** |
| **Application** | **20** |  |  |
| **Essay** | **20** |  |  |
| **Power Point** | **20** |  |  |
| **Community Service** | **20** |  |  |
| **2 Letters of Recommendation 10 each** | **10** |  |  |
| **Coach Letter** | **5** |  |  |
| **Transcript** | **5** |  |  |
| **Intention of attending an NCAA or IHSA college or university and participating on that college or university’s equestrian team.** | | **YES NO** |  |
| **Total** | **100** |  |  |