



YEDA Founders' Leadership Senior Scholarships  
**SENIOR ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS**  
**\$1500 Winner \$500 for Runner up**

*Qualifications and Requirements*

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

1. Must be a senior or enrolled in a four-year high school or high school program, moving on to undergraduate, apprentice, or work training program that can be verified.
2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better.
3. 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.
4. Must be a current member in good standing with YEDA.
5. Applicant demonstrates financial need.
6. Applicant demonstrates leadership within their team and barn.
7. Eligible applicants must have completed at least 25 hours of community service in the past three years. Include organized documentation.
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 from an equine professional or coach detailing their leadership skills.
10. Be able to describe the following: **How I Am A Leader**. Write a 500-1000 word essay about yourself and the way in which you have been a leader while competing in YEDA and other organizations. Additionally, organize, list and explain any leadership roles outside of YEDA, for example, church, school, clubs, sports or extracurricular activities. **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 them in packet.**
  - Application Form
  - Official High School Transcript
  - Verification letter from team coach or team advisor
  - Two letters of recommendation
  - Essay
  - Community service documentation
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 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: [terrirafeld@yahoo.com](mailto:terrirafeld@yahoo.com)





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***Application***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

YEDA Team: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of YEDA Membership Years \_\_\_\_\_

High School of Anticipated Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Future Plans (college, apprenticeship, work training, etc): \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

In a paragraph or less, explain what would qualify you for financial need.

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*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 the following **PRINTED** in Submission Packet:**

- Application Form
- Official High School Transcript
- Verification letter from team coach or team advisor
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- Essay
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## Rubric

| <b>Criteria</b>                                | <b>Points Possible</b> | <b>Points Earned</b> | <b>Notes</b> |
|--|------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| <b>Essay</b>                                   | <b>30</b>              |                      |              |
| <b>Community Service</b>                       | <b>25</b>              |                      |              |
| <b>2 Letters of Recommendation<br/>10 each</b> | <b>20</b>              |                      |              |
| <b>Financial Need</b>                          | <b>10</b>              |                      |              |
| <b>Application</b>                             | <b>5</b>               |                      |              |
| <b>Coach Letter</b>                            | <b>5</b>               |                      |              |
| <b>Transcript</b>                              | <b>5</b>               |                      |              |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>100</b>             |                      |              |