



Area VI Shetland Pony & Miniature Horse Breeders Association Youth Scholarship Application

The Area VI Shetland Pony & Miniature Horse Breeders Association Scholarship encourages further education of young men and women by awarding annual scholarships. These scholarships are open to any Area VI SP&MHBA member or family member of such who meets the requirements and who has been actively involved in the Association.

Scholarships of \$250.00 per academic year are available for students attending Vocational Technical/Trade School, or a 2- or 4-year College/University. Applicants must have a cumulative "B" grade-point average or its equivalent (3.0) adjusted to a 4-point scale. Scholarship may be applied for more than once. If applying within two years of high school graduation and have been attending college, applicant's cumulative college grade point average (GPA) must be 3.0 or higher to qualify.

1. Applicant or family member must be an Area VI SP&MHBA member in good standing at the time of each application.
2. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent and have never been married.
3. Applicants, regardless of age, must apply for the scholarship within two years from the date of high school graduation or date of equivalency. However, no scholarship will be retroactive. If attending college, the applicant must submit a sealed transcript and cumulative GPA must be a 3.0 or higher.
4. This application must be postmarked no later than February 1 of the year in which the applicant wishes to receive the scholarship. Faxes and emails will NOT be accepted.
5. All applications must be accompanied by a recent portrait photograph of the applicant ONLY—no horses please. The photograph should be approximately 3 inches by 5 inches.
6. Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the institution and will not be issued to the student or their family. Funds are to be used for tuition, books and lab fees.
7. All applications and supporting materials become the property of Area VI SP&MHBA and cannot be returned.
8. All information will be held in strictest confidence by the Review Committee.

Scholarship Application

Applicant Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Permanent Address City, State and Zip code _____

Telephone Number Home Cell _____

Email Address _____

Name of College/University and address _____

Enrollment Date _____

Major Area of Study _____

What is Your Career Goal _____

How long will you be in school to achieve this goal? _____

Please describe, on a separate page, in 150 words or less your scholastic and career goals.

APPLICANT CHECKLIST **Initial each item upon completion.** Application deadline **February 1. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.**

_____ Your Application completed on official form.

_____ Proof of Acceptance/Enrollment: Must provide an official letter of acceptance from your School of choice, not a copy.

_____ A sealed copy of your most recent official academic transcript.

_____ Three (3) letters of recommendation from people other than relatives. Letters need to be confidential and must be mailed separate from the application by the recommendation writers. The letters need to be postmarked by **February 1** of the application year.

_____ Goal Essay 150 words or less

_____ Applicant Essay 200 to 400 words

_____ One(1) high quality photo of the applicant

Part I: School Information

Name of School/College/University you plan to attend. _____

School Address City State Zip code _____

Current Financial Aid Office Contact Name Phone Number Email address _____

Financial Aid Office Address City State Zip code _____

Applicant's School Address (if available) City State Zip code _____

Anticipated Major/Area of Study: _____

Part II: Scholastic Aptitude

Name of High School	Location	Dates Attended
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High School GPA adjusted to a 4-point scale: _____		
Name of College	Location	Dates Attended

College GPA if applicable: _____

An official grade transcript from your most recent school semester or quarter must accompany this application. This must be an **official sealed copy** directly from your school, not a photocopy by the student.

Part III: Work History

Provide a brief overview of your work history and/or positions you have held.

Employer: _____ Position/Title: _____
Start Date: _____ End: _____ Job Duties: _____

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Part IV: Extracurricular Non-Equine Activities

List the name and type of clubs/organizations you belong to outside of equine-related

Club Name	Club Type	Years Involved
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

List your scholastic honors/achievements/awards:

List your school organizations, activities and any positions held:

List your hobbies, interests, and civic activities:

Part V: Extracurricular Equine Activities

List the name and type of equine related clubs/organizations you belong to. These may include 4H, Pony Club, Rodeo, FFA or similar organizations.

Club Name	Club Type	Years Involved
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

List 4H or FFA projects you have enrolled in:

List outstanding awards and achievements in 4H, FFA, Pony Club or similar organizations:

Part VI: Involvement in Industry

Do you own an ASPC/AMHR? _____ Does your family? Yes _____ No _____

Do you own other equine? _____ Does your family? Yes _____ No _____

List Horse Clubs you belong to
Club

Years as a member

How long have you been involved with horses? _____ Showing? _____ Trail Riding? _____
Other? _____

List your activities/experiences in riding/trail/showing/racing/dressage/4H/other

List major horse related awards you have received

List any other notable activities or awards not previously mentioned

Part VII: Applicant Essay

On a separate sheet, in a 200- to 400-word hand written essay (grammar and neatness will be judged) summarize your thoughts and feelings on the following:

1. What have your experiences with horses meant to you?
2. Why do you desire to continue your education?
3. What personal qualities do you possess that you believe qualify you to receive this scholarship?
4. What circumstances do you have that demonstrate financial need?
5. How will receiving this scholarship enhance your education experiences?

Part VIII: Letters of Recommendation

Three Letter of recommendation are required (your application will be disqualified if you do not have three (3) letters). **These letters must be mailed separately from the application and be sent directly to the Area VI SP&MHBA by the person writing the letter.**

Reference 1 #	Address	City, State, Zip code	Phone
Reference 2 #	Address	City, State, Zip code	Phone
Reference 3 #	Address	City, State, Zip code	Phone

The letters may be from instructors, coaches, teachers, colleagues, youth leaders or other qualified persons. Letters cannot be written by your family members. It is suggested that you provide an envelope pre-addressed to the Area VI SP&MHBA Scholarship. It is suggested that you follow up with those writing letters to ensure that their letters are mailed and postmarked before the **February 1** deadline.

Part IX: Applicant Signature and Acknowledgment

I hereby acknowledge the information contained in this application to be true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that fraudulent information may result in disqualification of any scholarship money awarded, and/or may disqualify me from present and future consideration for scholarship funding from the Area VI SP&MHBA.

Applicant Signature

Date

Applicant Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

Date

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE: February 1
NO EXCEPTIONS

Mail Application To: Area VI SP&MHBA Scholarship, 911 N Tressin Rd,
Salina, KS 67401

The Area VI SP&MHBA reserves the right to vary the number of and amount of scholarships awarded based upon the quality of the entries as scored by the judges and the funds available.