

# Missouri Ranch Horse Association Merit Scholarship Guidelines

## Application Procedures

- The Missouri Ranch Horse Association (MoRHA) provides scholarship applications to interested youth members who are planning to attend, or who are currently attending college or a certified trade school. Applications are sent to members upon request and are available on the MoRHA website at [www.moranchhorse.com](http://www.moranchhorse.com)
- Applications should be completed in full and must be typed or printed neatly in black or blue ink. Applications that are downloaded must be completed and a hard copy returned to the MoRHA Youth Director for consideration. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted for consideration.
- **Deadline for applications is February 28th** of each calendar year. All application materials must be sent to:

Kelsey Ward, Youth Director  
MoRHA  
9505 North Route Z  
Centralia, MO 65240

## Applicant Eligibility

- Each applicant must be a current member in good standing and have been an MoRHA member for a minimum of two (2) years to be eligible. For youth who have been MoRHA members exceeding two years, they must have actively participated in MoRHA activities during the past two (2) years. The length of MoRHA membership will be considered in evaluating each scholarship application.

## Requirements to Apply

- Completed MoRHA Scholarship application form.
- 300 word essay about you and MoRHA. The essay should include but is not limited to how long you have been involved with the MoRHA and ARHA and what you have gained and learned from being involved with MoRHA.
- Write a brief summary (150 words or less) about why you want to continue your education.
- Include an official school transcript.
- Two recommendations are required from: 1) MoRHA member; 2) a teacher;. Recommendation letters cannot be from a relative. Use the form provided in the application packet. The person completing the form will mail or email it directly to MoRHA.

# Scholarship Application Form

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*Please type or print legibly. Use a separate sheet of paper as needed.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a US Citizen? Yes  No

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## High School Information

Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank in Class: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

High Schools Attended. List most recent first.

Name of School (s)	Date Attended	Location
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**Please list all honors and awards earned in high school:**

**Please list any clubs involved in and/or offices held in high school as well as dates:**

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Applicant's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list extracurricular activities in high school as well as dates:**

**Please list anything else that you would like to add about high school:**

## College/Trade School Information

Name (s) of college (s) or school (s) to which you have or are applying, in order of preference:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate career goal: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## MoRHA and ARHA Information

How long have you been a MoRHA/ARHA member? \_\_\_\_\_

What MoRHA activities have you been involved with \_\_\_\_\_

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What national ARHA activities have you been involved with? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Scholarship Score Sheet

*This is the criteria that MoRHA will use to judge your application.*

**MoRHA Participation** .....20 points \_\_\_\_\_  
(State, regional, National Level involvement)

**MoRHA Essay** .....20 points \_\_\_\_\_  
(should include but not limited to how long you have been involved with ARHA and what you have gained and learned from being involved)

**Educational Goals** .....20 points \_\_\_\_\_  
(brief summary, 150 words or less about why you want to continue your education)

**School** .....15 points \_\_\_\_\_  
(Grades, attendance, extracurricular activities)

**References** .....15 points \_\_\_\_\_

**Application** .....10 points \_\_\_\_\_  
(neat, complete, correct grammar, spelling, etc.)

**Total out of possible 100:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Additional Requirements

*Essay and summary must be typed, double spaced, and use Times New Roman size 12 font.*

1. Write a 300 word essay about you and MoRHA. The essay should include but is not limited to how long you have been involved with the MoRHA and ARHA and what you have gained and learned from being involved with MoRHA. Please do not include information about your parents' involvement.
2. Write a brief summary (150 words or less) about why you want to continue your education.
3. Include an official school transcript.
4. Two recommendations are required from: 1) MoRHA member; 2) a teacher;. Recommendation letters cannot be from a relative. Use the form provided in the application packet. The person completing the form will mail or email it directly to MoRHA.

# Recommendation Form for MoRHA Scholarship Application

**Kelsey Ward, Youth Director**  
**Missouri Ranch Horse Association**  
9505 North Route Z  
Centralia, MO 65240  
Email: kelseywr94@gmail.com

## To the individual making this recommendation:

Your comments will be weighed heavily by the MoRHA youth director as they evaluate the applicant's qualifications for a MoRHA scholarship. Please describe the applicant by checking one (1) statement that is most applicable to him/her beside each quality. Feel free to include a letter with additional information if you prefer. Please mail directly to MoRHA at the address listed above.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ (Teacher, Trainer, Employer, ARHA member, MoRHA Board Member, etc.)

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### WORK HABITS

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Highly effective; reaches maximum accomplishment for one of his/her ability.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Adequate; accomplishes all that would commonly be expected for someone of his/her ability.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Not yet adequate, but shows promise of becoming so.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Works randomly, not consistent in work habits; wastes time.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Indifferent to work obligations, seldom completes work.

### INITIATIVE

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Shows resourcefulness in working out plans and carrying them through.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Sometimes shows evidence of originality and advanced plans for carrying through ideas.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Inclined to take things as they come; has potential and may be capable of self-directed action, if enthused.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Seldom varies from established initiative and resourcefulness.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Disturbed by new ideas; tendency to drift without plan or decision; revisits change.

### RESPONSIBILITY

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Shows initiative and versatility in carrying out responsibilities promptly.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Generally dependable, completes without compulsion whatever is assigned, but unlikely to enlarge the scope of assignments.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Usually carries through undertakings, requires only occasional reminder or compulsion.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Requires frequent prodding and much supervision; generally unreliable.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Irresponsible, tries to evade responsibility.

### LEADERSHIP

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Habitually shapes the opinions and activities of others; exerts a controlling influence.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Has a contributing influence upon others, though not controlling.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Has leadership potential, but influence is limited to small groups.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Has no definite influence on others, fails to meet leadership responsibilities.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Avoids assuming leadership; carried along by the nearest or strongest influence.

Additional Comments:

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_