



## **IQHA DOLLARS FOR \$CHOLARS YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

- A \$500 scholarship may be presented to an IQHYA Member who fulfills all the requirements for the IQHA Dollars For \$cholars, provided scholarship funding is available that year.
- Applicant must show proof of enrollment in an accredited University, College or Trade School before funds will be awarded.
- Upon notification of enrollment, the recipient's check in the amount awarded will be made out to both the college and the recipient and mailed to the school financial aid office to apply to the student's account.
- Funds should be awarded during the first semester of the student's college, university or trade school. Exceptions to this must be requested in writing.
- Presentation of the IQHA Dollars For \$cholars awards will be made at the annual IQHA awards banquet.
- All applications and supporting material become the property of IQHA and cannot be returned.
- The Iowa Quarter Horse Association shall implement and oversee all aspects of the IQHA Dollars For \$cholars.

### **General Guidelines**

- Applicants must submit the IQHA Dollars For \$cholars Youth Scholarship Application by December 31 prior to their high school graduation year or during their first year of enrollment in college or trade school.
- The applicant must have at least a 2.5 GPA cumulative high school average. The applicant must provide a transcript showing the most recent cumulative grade point average by December 31 to complete the application process.
- Individuals are eligible for only one year of funding.
- Scholarship recipients are required to write and send a thank you to the IQHA Dollars For \$cholars Program (c/o IQHA) and any current year donors over \$500. The thank you letters must be sent, and copies of those letters turned in to the Youth Advisor, before funds will be paid out.

### Application Process

- The application may be completed and submitted online by the deadline.
- In addition to the application, two letters of recommendation should be submitted directly to the IQHYA Youth Advisor by the same December 31 deadline of the application. One letter should be from within the Iowa horse industry and the other letter should be from outside the horse industry. Letters of recommendation may be emailed to [iowaqhyouth@gmail.com](mailto:iowaqhyouth@gmail.com).
- The application includes an essay portion.

### Credit-Earning Activities

Applicants should be members in good-standing of IQHYA for three years or more at time of application, although memberships for less than three years will be considered.

Applicants are given credit for:

- continuous IQHYA membership over multiple years
- new IQHYA members recruited
- serve in IQHYA office at least one year
- fundraising activities within IQHYA each year
- volunteer activities within IQHYA each year
- volunteer activities outside of IQHYA
- participation in IQHYA activities and events and fundraising projects
- participation on Youth World Show team (including non-exhibiting contests such as art, speech, judging)
- Congress NYATT team participation
- attend AQHA Youth Excellence Seminar
- serve as AQHA officer or director
- participation in AQHA Young Horse Development program
- participation in AQHA Youth Racing Experience
- represent IQHA district in Iowa State Fair Cowgirl Queen Contest
- attend IQHA-sponsored trail ride
- other volunteer or leadership activities beneficial to the student and the horse industry

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