

**IDAHO HORSE COUNCIL
EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
High School and College Students
Information/Requirements
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

The Idaho Horse Council, a non-profit association, is composed of organizations across the state involved in the equine industry. In 1999, the council's Board of Directors voted to fund up to three scholarships in the amount of \$1,500.00 each. Scholarships are being offered for the 2015 school year for graduates of Idaho High Schools. The IHC reserves the right to vary the number of scholarships awarded based on the entries as scored by the judges, and funds available. In 2013 the Idaho Horse Council raised the amount to \$1,500.00.

1. Applicants must be legal residents of the State of Idaho.
2. Applicants for the year 2015 must graduate or have graduated from an accredited Idaho High School.
3. Applications must be completely filled out and signed by the applicant. A picture of the applicant must accompany the application. Pictures and applications become the property of the Idaho Horse Council and will not be returned.
4. No youth that is a member of the immediate family of an officer, member of the Board of Directors, or employee of the Idaho Horse Council will be eligible.
5. It is to each applicant's advantage to submit a complete, neat, and informative application because of the competition and degree of acquired skills of applicants. Copies of email correspondence are not acceptable.
(Additional sheets may be attached)
6. Additional application forms may be obtained by contacting the Idaho Horse Council, 16114 Idaho Center Blvd. #5, Nampa, Idaho 83687 (phone 208-465-5477 or Fax 208-465-5480). Scholarships may be downloaded from the IHC website, go to Scholarships. www.idahohorsecouncil.com
7. Scholarships will be made available for graduating high school students and college students who have graduated from an Idaho High School.
8. Application information from schools you have applied to but will not be enrolling in, is NOT to be included. Information regarding the College you will be/are attending must be included under Part 5, Number 5 of this application.

OFFICIAL APPLICATION FOR

IDAHO HORSE COUNCIL EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
16114 IDAHO CENTER BOULEVARD #5, NAMPA, ID 83687 (208) 465-5477

PART I - GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant's Full Name _____
Permanent Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone: (____) _____ Age _____ Birth Date _____
(Parent Information is not required of those having one or more years of college or university studies.)
Father's Name _____ Occupation _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone (____) _____ Estimated gross income per year _____
Number of dependent children in household _____
Number of dependent children in college _____
(You may write "same" in any spaces below for answers that are redundant within a single family.)
Mother's Name _____ Occupation _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone (____) _____ Estimated gross income per year _____
Number of dependent children in household _____
Number of dependent children in college _____

PART II - SCHOOL INFORMATION

Current college: *(college student only)* _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____
Current high school attending _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____
School contact person and title _____
School organizations or clubs in which you participate _____
Special achievements _____
Hobbies/interests _____

PART III - SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE

Most recent high school GPA _____ ACT Score _____ or SAT Score _____
ACT or SAT scores not required for those who have completed 1 year of college
Scholastic achievements/awards/activities _____

PART IV - APPLICANT ESSAY

Attach to the application in essay form, the following, using complete sentences in a business like format.

1. Why do you desire to continue your education?
2. Describe personal qualities that you believe qualify you to receive a scholarship.
3. Indicate any circumstances regarding financial need.
4. Tell about, if applicable, your experience or background involving equine activities.
5. Relate your work experience and/or general work background.
6. Indicate what you believe your primary interest/course of college study will be & why.

PART V - ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Scholarship selection will be based upon scholastic aptitude, leadership potential, sportsmanship, and community/civic responsibility. Preference will be given to those applicants who are able to demonstrate involvement with the horse industry in any fashion including 4H programs, Rodeo teams, pony Club activities, Shows, Trail Riding or any other organized or individual participation involving equine.
2. **High School:** The applicant must be eligible to be awarded a High School Diploma this year. GPA must be at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or 3.8 on a 6.0 scale. A current high school transcript (including at least the first semester) must be included.
College: If the applicant is currently attending a college or university, an official transcript of the GPA for the immediate preceding semesters must be submitted.
3. A copy of the applicant's ACT/SAT or similar exam results must be attached if applicant is graduating from high school.
4. Two letters (from individuals not related to applicant) of personal recommendation regarding the applicant's character, scholastic ability, school achievement/involvement and community/civic involvement .
Copies of email correspondence will not be accepted as a reference.
5. Scholarship awards will be given directly to the college or university that the recipient will be attending in the following manner: *One thousand five hundred dollars will be sent directly to the school upon receipt of acceptance.*

Information that must be included with this application:

College you will be attending this Fall _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School contact person/title/phone _____

6. Applicant materials must be sent to the Idaho Horse Council, 16114 Idaho Center Blvd. #5, Nampa, ID 83687. Questions can be directed to (208) 465-5477.

7. This application **must be completed and received in the Idaho Horse Council office by February 25, 2014** in order to be considered by the Scholarship Selection Committee. Applications received later than the above date will **NOT** be reviewed. **You will be notified by March 25, 2015** of scholarships awarded.

PART VI - 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 future consideration for scholarship funding from the Idaho Horse Council.

Applicant's Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent or legal Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

(Parent or Guardian signature not required of those having one or more years of college or university studies)

CHECK LIST

This page must be returned with your application. Please check off everything you completed before you return your application.

_____ Application completed on official Idaho Horse Council form to be in IHC's office no later than February 25, 2015. Any application received after that date will not be considered.

_____ Proof of college enrollment and college standing as a Freshman at the beginning of the upcoming academic year. (Fall Semester) This requires a letter of acceptance be included from the college you are enrolled in. Forms from other schools you have considered, ARE NOT to be included.

_____ Information from the college you will be attending regarding their address, phone, designation of which office, and the person who will be acknowledging your enrollment in that college.

_____ Two letters of recommendation (from people other than relatives) must be enclosed.

_____ 250 to 400 word ESSAY. (This is to be a traditional essay, not a letter)

_____ Photo of applicant: black & white, no copies, no scanned photos. Pictures become the property of the IHC and will not be returned.

_____ Last available ACT/SAT or similar exam results must be attached. Second semester for high schools with either the 2 or 3 semester systems are acceptable.

_____ The applicant who is applying for an IHC Scholarship must have maintained a GPS of at least a 2.5 on a 4.0 during their High School years.

_____ Application must be a legal resident of the State of Idaho.

_____ Information regarding parents or guardian must be entered, as requested.

_____ Signatures of parents or guardian, as requested, must be on the application form.

From the Idaho Horse Council's Scholarship Committee
*Thank you for your interest and involvement in the IHC's Scholarship Program.
We appreciate your interest, and wish each of you Good Luck?*