

Montana Cutting Horse Association (MCHA) Youth Scholarship Program Angela M. Bauer Scholarship

Purpose: To reward MCHA youth who have demonstrated outstanding leadership abilities, excellence in academics, involvement in school, community, and church, as well as involvement in the MCHA.

Description: The scholarship is a \$2,000.00 annual scholarship payable in the fall semester to the college in the student's account.

Application Guidelines: The applicant must meet the following criteria in order to be considered for a scholarship:

- Must be a current member of the Montana Cutting Horse Association.
- Must be a Montana resident.
- Must be between the age of 14-18 years old.

General Rules of the Application:

A) An applicant who has not completed at least one semester of college at the time their application is made must meet the following criteria:

- The applicant must rank in the upper 50% of their High School graduating class; or
- The applicant must achieve a minimum test score of 20 on the ACT or 950 on the SAT; or
- The applicant has a 3.0 GPA.

B) Applicants submitting their first application after having completed one or more semesters of college will be evaluated based on both their high school and college records and must meet the same requirements stated above as well as the following additional criteria:

- The applicant must have a college GPA of at least 3.0 in the semester immediately prior to submitting an application with a minimum of 12 credit hours.

C) Previous recipients of this scholarship are eligible to re-apply although no scholarships will be automatically renewed. Applicants reapplying for a scholarship will be evaluated based on their college record from the time the last grant was awarded to the time the pending application is reviewed by the scholarship committee.

D) An applicant accepted to one of the Government Military Academies is considered to have a full scholarship and will not be eligible to receive this award.

E) An applicant must not have reached their twenty-first birthday by April 1st, in the year that application for the first grant is made.

F) Funds are not transferable to studies overseas unless payment continues to be made to the US college, university, or trade school.

Student's Responsibilities for Maintaining Eligibility During the Scholarship Award Period

A) The recipient must be currently enrolled full-time in an accredited university, college, or trade school:

- Full-time enrollment requires the successful completion of 12 credit hours per semester.
- Students who have a grade of incomplete at the end of the semester will not be considered for renewal if they do not complete 12 credit hours.
- Current enrollment on another campus cannot be used to meet full-time enrollment status nor be paid for by the scholarship.

B) The recipient must maintain a GPA of 3.0 in each of the semesters for which the scholarship is received:

- Students who fail to obtain a 3.0 semester GPA during the scholarship award period can be granted a probationary period during the following semester only. Probation is not available for any subsequent semesters.
- Students who fail to obtain at least a 2.5 semester GPA during the scholarship award period will not be considered for probation and the student will not receive the scholarship.
- A student who is on probation must obtain at least a 3.0 semester GPA during the probationary semester in order to re-apply for the scholarship.
- Eligibility to continue on scholarship is checked at the end of the fall and spring semesters. Summer term grades are reviewed as part of the student's overall college record if the student applies for renewal but will not be used for determining reinstatement of scholarship or cause a student to go on probation.

Procedure for Submitting an Application

All application forms must be mailed in one complete package, with the counselor and/or teacher's form included in a separate sealed envelope. Please do not fold applications. Use only the space provided, do not attach additional pages.

Make sure you have included the following in your application packet:

- Student application form
- Counselor and/or teacher's form
- Your high school transcript & ACT or SAT scores
- All college, university, or trade school transcripts if applicable

Applications must be postmarked by May 25th. Mail complete application to:

MCHA Youth Scholarship Program

c/o Jessica Lee

PO Box 42

Hamilton, MT 59840

Applicants will be notified of their scholarship status by June 5th.

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Angela M. Bauer Scholarship

Application Form

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Students Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

College or University you plan to attend: _____

Major: _____

Cost of Tuition: _____

Per Semester: _____

Cost of Housing: _____

Per Semester: _____

1) List your most significant leadership activities in the NCHA, MCHA, School, Church or Community organizations:

2) List other MCHA activities you have participated in:

3) List activities you participated in through school, church, or the community:

4) List your most significant awards or recognition you have received through NCHA, MCHA, school, church, or community organizations:

5) Describe your career goals:

6) If you work at a job outside of the home, please state how many hours per week that you work, how long you have been employed, what your job title is, and describe your job responsibilities:

7) What person or specific incident has most influenced your life so far and why?

I have personally prepared this application and believe it to be correct and true.

Name of Applicant

Date

Guidelines for Payment of MCHA Youth Scholarship Awarded at Youth Scholarship Events

Funds are to be used for the payment of tuition, fees, books, or room and board for the current term. The educational institution attended must be an accredited university, college, or trade school.

Payment will be made upon receipt of a written request from student with proof of enrollment and a copy of invoices from the institution showing amounts to be paid. Payment for tuition and fees will be made to the school in the student's account and will not be paid directly to the student. Payment for books, up to \$250 per semester, may be made directly to the student upon proof of payment which must be submitted along with proof of enrollment.

Initial funds must begin before reaching the age of 25. If not used by this time, funds will be returned to the youth scholarship fund to become available for other scholarships.

Grades are not to be a determinant for continued use by a properly enrolled student. Any interest accruing on the funds will be paid to the MCHA scholarship fund, not the student.

Please send all written requests for payment with proof of enrollment and a copy of invoices to:

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If there are any questions, please contact Jessica Lee at (406) 360-4171 or omoksee9@gmail.com