



## CQHYA SCHOLARSHIP

### I. PURPOSE

The Connecticut Quarter Horse Youth Association (CQHYA) will provide an annual scholarship to one of its members each year. The Connecticut Quarter Horse Association (CQHA) Board of Directors will administer the scholarship. The one time \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded to a selected applicant working towards a degree at an accredited College or University. The scholarship will be awarded provided the recipient meets the requirements stated below:

### II. ELIGIBILITY

1. The applicant must be in his/her senior year in a secondary school, or be a High School Graduate at the time of his/her application,
2. The applicant has applied and/or been accepted to an accredited College or University with a curriculum leading to a Degree,
3. The applicant must have at least two (2) year's continuous membership in CQHYA and be a member in good standing.

### III. QUALIFICATIONS

An applicant will be judged on his/her total qualifications including character, attitude, academic standing and need.

Applicants are required to submit a completed CQHYA application form. **This application must be dated no later than May 31 of the year for which the applicant is seeking scholarship.**

In addition to the application, the following is also required:

- A. A transcript of the applicant's secondary school records, complete to the last fall's semester marking period, mailed to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson, prior to the deadline. This transcript must come directly from the school, unless the applicant is Home Schooled.

- B. Letters of Recommendation must be mailed to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson from two (2) teachers who have taught the applicant during at least one full semester. These letters should cover character, attitude, academic standing, extra curricular activities and any other significant reasons why the applicant should be considered.
- C. One (1) additional Letter of Recommendation from an adult acquaintance of the applicant mailed directly to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson. This letter should also cover character, attitude, academic standing, extra curricular activities and any significant reasons why the applicant should be considered.
- D. A letter from the applicant outlining his/her reasons for applying for the scholarship and completed application form (attached).

#### IV. RESTRICTIONS

- 1. Recipients are allowed to attend the accredited College or University of their choice within the United States.
- 2. Recipients are free to select a major field of study.
- 3. Recipients are not restricted to any general field of employment or obligated to enter the employ of any organization.

#### V. SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

An Independent Selection Committee of qualified individuals with no relationship to any of the applicants will select the recipient. It is recommended that this Committee include members of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Quarter Horse Association. The Committee will be directed, but not necessarily bound, by the following guidelines:

- 1. Need
- 2. Academic Record
- 3. Extra Curricular Activities
- 4. Character
- 5. Attitude

Announcement of the scholarship recipient will be made during the first week of July each year.

The Committee may recommend rejection of all candidates if those applying do not meet the qualifications set forth in Paragraph III or if, in their judgment, there are no applicants deserving of this Scholarship.

## VI. PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP

1. The scholarship will be \$500.00, but will not exceed tuition and fees at the accredited College or University of the recipient's choice. Recipient is allowed to receive additional scholarships as long as the total amount accepted does not exceed his/her needs.
2. Scholarship money provided by CQHYA will be paid directly to the recipient upon presentation of acceptance by the accredited College or University or a transcript indicating the recipient acceptable progress.

## VII. INFORMATION

Acceptance and receipt of the CQHYA scholarship does not relieve the recipient of personal responsibility of applying for admission, nor guarantees their admission, to any College or University. After the recipient is enrolled in an accredited College or University, the academic program and personal behavior affairs are subject only to the policies of the college. CQHA and/or CQHYA do not require particular courses in the recipient's academic programs, involvement in extra curricular activities, or personal behavior inconsistent with college policies.

**Candidates will not be judged on race, religion, national origin, political, social or economic beliefs.**