

OKLAHOMA HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION



Scholarship Application 2024

Oklahoma Hunter and Jumper Association (OHJA) is Oklahoma's original horse show organization. Established in 1964, we were created to promote the sport of riding and showing hunters and jumpers in Oklahoma. OHJA is dedicated to serving the best interests of our members, member shows and their exhibitors. We further the objectives and abide by the rules of United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) and United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA), the national governing bodies of our sport, to which we are affiliated.

OHJA hopes to award an academic scholarship(s) for the purpose of promoting higher education of its members. Applicants must be a member in good standing of OHJA and must be a student who intends to enroll or continue their enrollment at a college, university or recognized institution of higher education.

Applicants for the scholarship must complete the OHJA Scholarship Application, meet its requirements, and the deadline of December 1 for submission, in order to be considered.

The OHJA Scholarship Committee shall review qualified applicants and determine the award recipient based upon academic achievement and performance, and demonstration of their character, i.e. horsemanship and sportsmanship. The identity of applicants shall remain anonymous during judging to ensure impartiality.

Scholarship funds are to be paid directly to the chosen college, university or institution of higher education. The winner(s) of the scholarship(s) must provide the name of the college, university or higher education institution at which they intend to enroll and include the Bursar's Office mailing address, telephone number and the student ID number assigned by the university or learning institution.

The full scholarship funds awarded to the recipient must be used within one year of the date awarded. If not used within the one year, the Bursar's office will be directed to return the funds to OHJA.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Complete the application

Sign the agreement and acceptance of applicant responsibility and OHJA's requirements

Attach two (2) required recommendations and personal statement

Attach Consent Form

Counselor to submit Counselor Form to Jenn Gwartney (address below) or provide it to applicant in a sealed envelope to be included with application.

Return completed application by December 1, 2024 to:

**Jenn Gwartney
6607 E. 112th Place South
Bixby, OK 74008
Jenn523@gmail.com**

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of Application: _____

Name: _____ SSN: _____

If Minor, Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____ DOB: _____

School currently attending: _____

College, university or other higher education institution applicant will attend:
_____**II. ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Cumulative GPA _____ Test Scores: SAT _____ ACT _____ Class Rank ___ of ____.

Expected graduation date: _____

(Specify high school, undergraduate, or graduate level)

Please attach: A written recommendation from a teacher, professor or counselor that addresses applicant's scholastic and academic attributes, specifying contributions made, specific activities engaged in. Recommendation should be no longer than one page and submitted on official letterhead. Also, provide the consent form provided to your counselor and ask them to provide the information requested regarding your GPA, class standing, ACT, SAT. That form must be signed by the counselor or registrar's office depending on if you are currently in high school, college or other higher educational institution.

III. EQUESTRIAN INFORMATION

Barn / Trainer: _____

Trainer Address: _____

Trainer email: _____

Number of years applicant has been riding: _____

Division(s) applicant has competed in and number of years showing:

I pledge that the information provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge. Should any information be found to be inaccurate, I understand that I may be disqualified. I also understand that the decision of the Scholarship Committee is final.

Further, I agree and accept the requirement of OHJA that upon my notification of the status of the OHJA Scholarship, no information regarding said status, and no information regarding other applicants will be divulged. I understand and agree failure to comply with this discretionary requirement will result in disqualification of the scholarship.

Applicant Signature

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

Please attach: A written recommendation from a trainer or an OHJA member in good standing that describes why applicant should be awarded the OHJA Scholarship. Horsemanship, sportsmanship, and dedication to the sport should all be addressed in recommendation.

Personal Statement of Applicant: Utilize the space below or attach a statement. In 500 words or less, please describe yourself, your involvement with horses, your future school plans, and the impact OHJA and the hunter-jumper sport has had on your life. Explain how the OHJA Scholarship would affect your future academic endeavors and your future aspirations.

CONSENT FORM

I, _____ (print name), give permission to my high school, college or registrar at current higher education institution counselor, Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____, to provide and attach a copy of my school transcript to this application form.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature/Guardian Signature
(If applicant is a minor)

Date

HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE or HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR OR REGISTRAR FORM

Please provide transcripts of all work from the ninth grade through the first semester of the senior year, if applicant is attending high school, or for freshman year to current semester, if applicant is already attending college or higher education institution.

Applicant's GPA: _____ Class Standing: _____ of _____

ACT Composite Score: _____ SAT Composite Score: _____

Counselor's Signature

Date