



Mid-Western Ontario Horseman's Society

Youth Scholarship Application

Rules of Application

- A. Two \$1500.00 scholarships are available to selected applicants enrolled in full-time post secondary studies, trade schools, or unpaid apprenticeships annually, however, M.W.H.S. may at any time change the number of scholarship recipients and amount awarded.
- B. Two \$750.00 scholarships are available to selected applicants in either part-time studies or a paid apprenticeship annually, however, M.W.H.S. may at any time change the number of scholarship recipients and amount awarded.
- C. Applicants must be **17 years of age** but not have reached their **25th birthday** as of January 1st of the current year.
- D. **Applicants must have a current year M.W.H.S. membership paid by the scholarship application deadline as well as been a member at least one additional year within the past five years.** Applicants must volunteer at two M.W.H.S. functions prior to the application deadline, such as horse shows, clinics, banquet, fundraisers, or preparation for MWHS events such as judge's cards and other duties being performed by committees. Volunteer hours for MWHS may be from a previous year.
- E. The goal of this Scholarship program is to benefit as many youth as possible; previous recipients are not eligible to reapply for the scholarship.
- F. Applicants must provide current or most recent transcript of their Ontario Scholastic Record and must accurately complete the application supplied. ***Students who have graduated from High School and are currently enrolled in post graduate education should include a current transcript and their High School transcript.***
- G. If selected, applicants must submit a recent **approx. 2.5 x 3.5 inch** colour photograph of themselves and their horse. Photos will not be returned. The selected applicants' photos may be published.
- H. Applications must be received no later than **October 14, 2023**.
- I. Applicants must include a total of two reference letters. Adults who are at least 21 years of age and not the applicants' legal guardian or a relative must write letters. Each reference must state how he or she knows the applicant and for how long. The reference letters must be from references listed on the application form. They should have specific, personal knowledge of applicants' activities and must be able to validate them. M.W.H.S. reserves the right to contact all references listed on this application.

- J. All applicants must submit a 500-word essay to explain how involvement with horses has affected and enhanced their lives. **Essays should be typed and double spaced.**
- K. The selection committee may invite the top applicants to a personal interview.
- L. Should a winning applicant be currently attending High School, the scholarship will be held in trust by M.W.H.S. until the recipient is enrolled in post-secondary education or an apprenticeship. The recipient must provide proof of enrollment as a student or apprentice during the semester for which the scholarship is funded. Should the recipient not pursue post-secondary education or an apprenticeship by their **25th birthday**, they must forfeit the scholarship.
- M. The scholarship will be presented at the M.W.H.S. Annual Banquet. The recipient is expected to attend the banquet to receive the scholarship.
- N. Scholarships can be used towards tuition, books, board or any other miscellaneous school needs.

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Applicant's Name:

Email Address:

Address: City:

Postal Code: Telephone:

Age: Date of Birth:

Father's Name: Mother's Name:

The Career Path I plan to pursue is:
 (Example: Trainer, Nursing, Teaching, etc.)

Are you currently enrolled in the following?

Full Time College, University or Trade School

Part Time College, University or Trade School

Paid Apprenticeship

Unpaid Apprenticeship

Other

If yes to any of the above, where?

What is your major (if applicable)?

Are you currently receiving other scholarship(s) or financial assistance?

If yes, name scholarship(s) or financial assistance?

What is the amount of the scholarship(s) or financial assistance?

Scholastic Record:

Name of School currently attending:

Location:

Level Attending:

**include most recent transcript from high school and post-secondary transcript if currently enrolled in post-secondary education.*

Horse Related Activities:

List any Horse Associations or Saddle Clubs you have been or are a member of (Attach additional pages if necessary):

Association or Club	Year(s)

List any offices (**ex – President, Treasurer, Committee Member**) you have held in horse related organizations you were a member of:

Organization	Office Title	Year(s)

Explain your personal contributions towards the betterment of the above offices:

List any horse related awards or honors you have received:

Organization	Award	Year

Extra Curricular Activities:

List any non-horse related activities. (ex – school clubs, Scouts, Guides, volunteer or church organizations, etc.):

Association or Club	Year(s)

List any offices (ex – President, Treasurer, Committee Member) you have held in non-horse related organizations you were or are a member of:

Organization	Office Title	Year

Explain your personal contributions towards the betterment of the above offices:

List any non-horse related awards or honors you have received:

Organization	Award	Year

M.W.H.S. volunteer and *participation* information (must volunteer at two functions prior to submitting application):

Volunteer Job or Participation	Year(s)

References:

- 1. Phone Number:
- 2. Phone Number:

**include the two reference letters with your application*

I certify that the above information contained on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also certify that I have read, understand and agree to abide by the M.W.H.S Youth Scholarship Rules of Application found on page 1 and 2.

Signature of Applicant (please print and sign):

Date:

Application must be received on or before October 14, 2023.

Please print application and mail completed application to: M.W.H.S Scholarship Committee
 Dawna Truesdell, 1928 Avenue Road, Brights Grove, Ontario N0N 1C0
 (519) 312-0234

**Please do not hesitate to contact Dawna Truesdell (phone: 519-312-0234 or email: wharf1935@gmail.com) for clarification on requirements and questions while completing this application!*



Application Requirement Checklist

Current Year M.W.H.S Membership (paid by application deadline) And been a M.W.H.S member at least one additional year within the last 5 years	
Completed Application	
500 Word Essay	
Academic Transcript(s) High School Transcript (most current) Post-Secondary Transcript (most current, if applicable)	
Two Reference Letters	

Mid-Western Ontario Horseman’s Society Scholarship Application Scoring Criteria

Essays to count for 40% of Total

- ❖ Grammar and presentation – 10%
- ❖ Content - 30%

Application to count for 60% of Total

- ❖ Academic Transcripts -15%
- ❖ Horse Related Activities -15% (May include involvement in saddle club or horse association)
- ❖ Extra Curricular Activities -10% (May include other sports activities, church, school, or volunteer programs)
- ❖ Reference Letters -10%
- ❖ **MWHS Participation** -10%