

MANITOBA HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION

GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCEDURES

- a) Carefully read all information
- b) Complete ALL items on the application accurately and completely
- c) Sign and date the application
- d) Include the following with your completed application form
 - a. letter of intent which follows the rubric outline
 - b. small graduation/ cap & gown photo or cowboy hat photo for publication/promotion
 - c. official transcript of academic record to date
 - d. a typed statement explaining scholarship needs
 - e. letters of reference from school and community
 - f. letter of acceptance from the institution of your choice (if available)
- e) Application must be POST MARKED prior to and up to April 1. **NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE OPENED!!!**
- f) Mail 4 complete and legible copies of application package to:

MHSRA SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
C/O MARCY WHELPTON BOX 284 NEEPAWA, MB. R0J 1H0

Interviews for all applicants are tentatively set for a time and location to be determined. Students will be notified via e-mail one week prior to the date. Interviews will be held in conjunction with one of MHSRA's regularly scheduled rodeo weekends. **DRESS CODE IS REQUIRED!!!**

g) Scholarship announcements are made at Cowboy Prom, Saturday of the finals. **Your attendance is required in order to receive your scholarship awards.**

If you are unable to attend, the scholarship committee MUST be notified, in WRITING, prior to May 20, the reason for your absence. Valid reasons include provincial examinations for the member, other graduation/award ceremonies for the member, provincial finals sporting events for the member, and church confirmations/baptisms for the member. Written confirmation from the school/association/church must accompany the letter as proof of schedule conflict.

After May 20th, special circumstances MAY be considered including medical emergencies etc. A doctor's certificate will be required.

You are eligible to apply for scholarships even though you may not plan to attend a postsecondary institution in your first year away from high school. If you are chosen to receive a scholarship, it will be held in trust for two years (until October 1, two years after your grad). If you are not attending postsecondary education until

the following year, please tell us about it in your “letter of intent”. Upon receiving proof of paid tuition to any accredited vocational or trade school, post-secondary institution, the scholarship will be forwarded to you.

If you do not attend a postsecondary institution in the fall of your graduation year, and MHSRA has not received a copy of “tuition paid” in your name from the postsecondary institution of your choice OR a letter from you requesting our committee to “holdover” your scholarships by May 1 of the year following your high school graduation, the monies held in trust for you will be moved back into the scholarship fund to be redistributed to the next year’s graduates. **YOU MUST MAKE CONTACT WITH US PRIOR TO THAT MAY 1 DATE IN ORDER FOR MHSRA TO HOLD YOUR SCHOLARSHIP MONEY IN TRUST FOR YOU BEYOND THE MAY 1 DEADLINE IN THE YEAR FOLLOWING YOUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.** The onus is on **YOU** to contact us.

The scholarship committee is not judging whether or not you “SHOULD” get a scholarship, but rather “HOW MUCH” of the scholarship money you should receive.

ALL DECISIONS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE ARE FINAL.

Keep these pages for future reference.

MHSRA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

NAME: _____

BIRTH DATE: _____ AGE: _____ MHSRA # _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ Email: _____

1. National High School Rodeo Association member for how many years? Which grades?

2. Name the MHSRA events you compete in:

3. Contact information for the school you are presently attending:

School Name _____

School Email Address _____ School Awards Date _____

School Phone # _____ School Fax # _____

4. Post-secondary education: _____ University _____ College _____ Vocational School

_____ Community College _____ Distance Education Other _____

Name of School _____

School Address _____

Why did you choose this particular school? _____

Proposed course of study: _____

Number of years to complete/graduate: _____

5. Have you or will you be receiving other scholarships? What type and what amounts?

6. Have you ever been employed? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please name your last three employers, years employed and responsibilities.

Attach the following to this application form as outlined on rubric:

1) Application filled out completely and all requirements met:

- a. Small **graduation/cap & gown photo or cowboy hat photo** for publication/promotion.
- b. An **OFFICIAL transcript** of your most recent academic record.
- c. A **typed statement of 100 – 150 words** telling us why you need a scholarship.
- d. A **statement from your school principal or one of your teachers** summarizing your academic record and character.
- e. **Letter or reference** from anyone else in your community who has knowledge of your abilities, interests and contributions to the community.
- f. A copy of a **letter confirming your acceptance into the institution** you plan to attend, if available.

2) A **Letter of Intent, using the format outlined on the rubric,** to describe the following:

- i. How you have contributed to MHSRA?
- ii. How your family has contributed to MHSRA?
- iii. What you and your family have gained through belonging to MHSRA and what have you and your family enjoyed most during years as MHSRA members?

- iv. Your various interests and experiences beyond MHSRA. Other honours and awards you have received/earned in high school or other organizations.
- v. Volunteering, outside of MHSRA, in which you have participated
- vi. Your future professional goals and interests

3) Post-secondary **plan research using the format outlined on the rubric:**

- a) Cost
- b) Length of program
- c) Location of program

AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER REGISTERING, SUBMIT A COPY OF YOUR PAID TUITION RECEIPT IN ORDER TO HAVE YOUR SCHOLARSHIP MONEY PAID OUT TO YOU.

I certify that the statements made and the information contained in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

I grant the Scholarship Committee for Manitoba High School Rodeo Association permission to release information with regard to the scholarships I have earned throughout my MHSRA career to the school I currently attend as listed on page 1 of this application.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

AWARDS ARE FOR PAST ACHIEVEMENTS, SCHOLARSHIPS ARE FOR THE FUTURE

MHSRA GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION/INTERVIEW RUBRIC

- 1) Application filled out completely and all requirements met: /20
marks
- a) Presentation/neatness/spelling/grammar /5
 - b) Photo included /1
 - c) Official transcripts content /4
 - d) Typed statement re: scholarship needs - presentation/content /5
 - e) Letters of reference content (2.5 marks for each one) /5
- 2) Letter of Intent including detailed response covering (at minimum) the following: /40
marks
- i) Personal contributions to MHSRA /10
 - a) Detail 1st year, 2nd year, 3rd year etc.
eg: Did you hold or run for executive, were you involved in fundraisers, did you event direct?
 - ii) Family contributions to MHSRA /10
 - a) Detail 1st year, 2nd year, 3rd year etc.
eg: Did family member(s) hold or run for executive, board of directors etc. What other committees were they involved in?
 - iii) Personal and Family Gain from MHSRA /5
 - a) What have you and your family gained from MHSRA?
 - b) What have you and your family enjoyed most during years as MHSRA members?
 - iv) What other interests and experiences do you have? List other honours and awards have you received/earned in high school or other organizations. /5
 - v) What volunteering outside of MHSRA have you participated in? /5
 - vi) What future goals and interests have you planned? /5
- 3) Post-secondary plan research: /15
marks
- a) Cost – detail tuition, housing, books, travel, other costs /5
 - b) Length of program and course options /5
 - c) Location of program and why it's the best choice for you /5

4) Personal Interview:

/25

marks

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| a) Clarity of thought | /5 |
| b) Conviction to ideas | /5 |
| c) Ability to speak clearly and convey your ideas | /5 |
| d) Poise/presentation/grooming | /5 |
| e) Eye contact/sincerity | /5 |

/100 total

marks