



TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Dear Applicants,

We are happy to have you apply for the THSRA scholarship. Please keep in mind the guidelines below. They may help you in completing the application.

1. Please include all information about yourself. The judges want to know about all areas of your life, not just rodeo. Furnish the judges with as much information as possible to enable them to make a fair decision.
2. You may use up to two sheets of paper to provide the information requested in Part C.
3. **ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE TYPED. NO HANDWRITTEN APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
4. **Please include a stamped, self-addressed postcard with your application.** We will use it to notify you of receipt of your application. If you do not include the postcard, you will not receive notice. On the postcard, write THSRA scholarship application received.
5. **You must include SAT, ACT and/or TSI test scores.**
6. The application must be **RECEIVED** by April 3, 2018.
7. If you receive one of the scholarships, it will be sent to the college or trade school of your choice in two (2) payments. No scholarship money will be sent to the individual. You will have three years to request your scholarship payments before they expire.
8. Applications may be hand delivered to Susan Baldwin at the THSRA office by April 3, 2018.
9. If you have any questions, please call any of our committee members:
Mike Ghormley – 281-785-0077 David Freeman – 832-221-1253
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Good Luck to each of you!

Applications need to be mailed to:

THSRA
704 ½ Southview Circle
Center, TX 75935

TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

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| I. | Scholastic Ability (Judged from Parts C, D, and F) | 50% |
| | 1. Difficulty and quality of subjects taken | |
| | 2. Number of honor or advanced courses taken | |
| | 3. Class ranking | |
| | 4. SAT/ACT/TSI scores | |
| | 5. Honors and awards received | |
| | 6. Content of the narrative | |
| II. | Leadership and Character (Judged from Parts C, E and F) | 25% |
| | 1. Club memberships and extracurricular activities | |
| | 2. Leadership positions held | |
| | 3. Honors and awards received | |
| | 4. Work experience | |
| III. | Rodeo Participation (Judged from Parts C, E and F) | 25% |
| | 1. Texas High School Rodeo Association | |
| | 2. Other rodeo associations | |

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Currently enrolled and actively participating in THSRA.
2. **A minimum 2.5 GPA.**
3. At least two of the following: ranked in the top ½ of class, SAT, ACT or TSI test scores.
4. Currently enrolled in public school, private school or an accredited home school program.
5. Have completed scholarship application turned in by deadline.

DEADLINE – APRIL 3, 2018

TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION 2018 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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PART A

In order to be considered for a scholarship, this application must include the following:

1. Official high school transcript including 2 of the following: class rank, SAT, ACT or TSI scores.
2. Two (2) letters of recommendation.
3. Photograph must be attached by tape.
4. Application **MUST BE TYPED** and stapled together. You may attach up to two sheets of paper for the information requested in Part C and one page for the narrative requested in Part F. Once awards are calculated, all applications will be destroyed. Please do not send the blank application pages if you are attaching others.

Be sure to make a thorough check of the completed application!

PART B

Name _____ Region _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County of Residence _____ THSRA Membership Number (not back #) _____

Name of High School _____

Class Rank _____ Class Size _____ School's Telephone _____

Father's Name _____ Occupation _____

Mother's Name _____ Occupation _____

List siblings:

PART C – You may use the space provided or you may use up to two additional sheets of paper for this section. Please list your responses for each category in outline form.

Extracurricular Activities – Club memberships, school sports, community projects (include number of years of involvement.)

Leadership Positions Held – Be sure to include name of leadership position and organization.

A. Rodeo

B. Non-Rodeo

Honors and Awards Received – Name of honor and/or award and organization.

Work Experience – Include volunteer and summer employment.

Participation and Awards received in Texas High School Rodeo – Make sure you state where the award was won (town or city.) Be accurate and specific.

Participation and Awards received in other rodeo associations – Make sure you state which association and where the award was won (town or city.) Be accurate and specific.

PART D

Include a current official copy of your high school transcript. Your G.P.A., class size, rank, and college entrance exam scores must be included with the transcript (SAT, ACT or TSI score.) The test score that gives you the highest points will be used.

PART E

Two (2) letters of recommendation from non-relatives must be included. One letter should be from an educator, community leader, minister/priest/pastor, etc. The second letter should be from a person who is familiar with your rodeo experience.

PART F

On a separate piece of paper, please describe in your own words why receiving a THSRA Scholarship is important to you, the course of study or major field of interest you plan to follow, your proposed occupation or profession, and the benefits you have received from Texas High School Rodeo Association. Be specific and restrict the length to between 250 and 500 words.

**Application deadline is April 3, 2018.
Submit completed application to THSRA, 704 ½ Southview Circle, Center, TX 75935.**

A few tips and ideas to consider when filling out your scholarship application.

- Treat your application like a résumé – information should leap off the page.
 - List items in level of importance. If you are a national qualifier, it should go before any regional titles.
 - Spell out association names at least once before using abbreviations.
 - This application is presented in a format that encourages you to type your information on additional sheets of paper. **NO HANDWRITTEN APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED THIS YEAR.**
 - These bullets are an example of how to list your responses in outline form.
 - Run spell check AND grammar check!
- Think outside the box. This is an academic scholarship from a rodeo association. Make sure you include scholastic honors in addition to your rodeo honors.
- That goes for extra-curricular activities, too. Don't focus on just your rodeo activities.
- A suggestion for the narrative - 1 page, double-spaced, size 12, Arial or Times New Roman font. (This page is size 12 Arial font, double-spaced with ½ inch margins.)
- N/A is not an acceptable response.
- It is okay to ask questions. That is why the committee members' names and phone numbers are provided in the cover letter. We want you to do well.
- Don't wait until the last minute to start on this. Vital information will be forgotten if you are in a rush to meet the April 3rd deadline.
- Follow instructions and PROOF READ. You are asking for free money for college. Show the selection committee why you are a deserving candidate.

Good luck!