

# MDHSRA Naylor-Smith Memorial Scholarship

## Background:

In June of 2019, the first annual Norman Naylor and Smokey Smith Memorial Team Roping Event was held in memory of two very special men. For anyone who knew Norman or Smokey, they knew that they always had a story, a smile, and a laugh to share. They loved and cherished their families more than anything, but held Team Roping close to their hearts. From the proceeds of this event, the MDHSRA Naylor-Smith Memorial Scholarship was created, with the aim to help qualified Junior or Senior MDHSRA contestants with post-graduate plans, either in higher education or with career training.

## Scholarship Details:

For the 2020 Rodeo Season two (2) scholarships will be awarded; this number may change annually based on the funds available and per the Board's decision. Applications are due by call-ins for Finals and may be submitted via the online Google Form (preferred) or hard copy which can be downloaded and printed off the website.

Once the Initial Criteria (below) are met and the application has been submitted each qualified applicant will be contacted and will need to participate in a Question/Answer session with the Board of Directors at Finals which will be held before the Annual Meeting on Sunday.

Final selection criteria will be arena performance using the point system below. Only applicants that are in the top 3 of at least one of their events will be considered for the scholarship.

Information and Scores for all sections will be reviewed and consolidated to pick scholarship winners and these will be announced at the Awards Ceremony.

There will be 5 judges and one alternate – high and low scores will be dismissed, and three remaining will be added together to determine winner.

Total possible points per judge 100 broken down as follows in three sections:

- Application Completion and Essay: 25 Total Possible
- In Person Question/Answer: 25 Possible Points
- Arena Performance: 50 Possible Points

## Initial Qualifications:

- Upperclassmen (Junior/Senior or Home School Equivalent)
- MDHSRA Member in Good Standing (all dues, fees and ticket sales and entry fees paid)
- Current or Former MDHSRA Student Board Member -OR- Active in Community/School/Church Volunteer Programs

**Arena Performance Point System** – must be in top 3 of at least one event to qualify for consideration (50 Possible Points):

Entered Finals: 10 points

Number of Events Top 3 Placings (Determined after Performances for Finals are Completed)

- 1 – Mandatory – 10 points
- 2 – 15 points
- 3 – 20 points
- 4 – 30 points
- 5+ - 40 points