



## **NRCH FOUNDATION AFFILIATE YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS For NRCHA Affiliates**

In an effort to encourage youth participation and to reward accomplishment throughout the reined cow horse industry, the National Reined Cow Horse Foundation has created the NRCH Foundation Affiliate Youth Scholarships.

Annually, at the conclusion of the NRCHA Show Year, the National Reined Cow Horse Foundation will award a \$500 Scholarship to each National Reined Cow Horse Association Affiliate Youth Bridle Champion and a \$250 Scholarship to each NRCHA Affiliate Youth Limited Champion in compliance with Youth Scholarship Program guidelines.

*The following are the terms and conditions for the National Reined Cow Horse Foundation Affiliate Youth Scholarships that will be awarded to the Youth Bridle Champion and to the Youth Limited Champion of each of the NRCHA's Affiliate Associations.*

To compete for the year end scholarships, youth participants must have competed in at least one-third of the NRCHA Approved Shows given by a Qualifying Affiliate during the show year.

A Qualifying Affiliate is an affiliate whose shows are exclusively approved by the NRCHA with no other local, regional, or national organization approving or utilizing the results of these shows for any reason without the NRCHA's prior approval.

No double judged, double pointed shows or two NRCHA shows on one day in the same location will be approved by the NRCHA.

Each contestant for the scholarship must be a member of the NRCHA in good standing as of the date of the competition for the scholarship.

Each Affiliate's Youth Bridle Champion and Youth Limited Champion shall be decided in accordance to the rules and regulations for points of the NRCHA Regional system. In the event of a tie for the Championship, the Championship scholarship money will be divided equally between the co-champions.

Scholarship winners can access the scholarship money by sending a written request to the Foundation (c/o NRCHA, 13181 US Highway 177, Byars, OK 74831) and must include either of the following from an accredited Junior College, College, University, or a State Accredited Post-High School Trade/Vocational School:

1. An official tuition notice (in which case monies will be paid directly on behalf of the winner to the institution)

Or

2. Invoices and/or receipts paid in full for tuition or other educational expenses mandated by such institutions such as school boarding, books or other class materials as listed on a legitimate source such as a school curriculum or class syllabus (in which case monies will be repaid directly to purchaser such as winner or winner's parents).

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3. Invoices and/or receipts paid in full for tuition or other educational expenses mandated by such institutions such as school boarding, books or other class materials as listed on a legitimate source such as a school curriculum or class syllabus (in which case monies will be repaid directly to purchaser such as winner or winner's parents).

The Foundation will distribute funds in a timely manner, but reserves the right to take up to 10 working days to review and verify written requests.

Scholarship winners accessing the money who are under the age of 18 years old must have their written request for the scholarship money co-signed by a parent or legal guardian.

Scholarship winners have until their 24<sup>th</sup> birthday to utilize the scholarship money or it is forfeited back to the general fund of the NRCHF.

Any and all decisions or interpretations regarding the above will be made by the NRCHF Board of Directors and be final and binding on the Scholarship Recipient.

The above rules are subject to change by the National Reined Cow Horse Foundation Board of Directors and will be published in *Stock Horse News*.

