



NHSRA Crisis Fund Hard Luck Scholarship

In an effort to advertise and promote the NHSRA Crisis Fund, the association would like to give back to our States/Provinces/Countries who make our annual fundraising a success. The NHSRA Crisis Fund Hard Luck Scholarship will be given out annually at each state finals rodeo starting in the 2019-2020 Season.

Qualifications:

States/Provinces/Countries that participate in the “Crisis Fund Basket Contest” will be given a \$250.00 scholarship if the following criteria is met:

- Basket donated raises at least \$300.00 at the previous National Finals or a cash donation of \$500 (or more) is made towards the Crisis Fund.
- If both the Junior High and High School associations meet the qualifications both associations will receive \$250.00 scholarships.
- ➔ Qualification for scholarship begins at the 2019 NJHFR & NHSFR.

Specific Information about the Scholarship

- The Crisis Fund Committee will decide each Mid-Winter Meeting if the program can be funded for that year. The program can be eliminated at any time at the discretion of the committee or Executive Board.
- States/ Provinces/ Countries will be notified in September, following the National Finals, if they will be receiving a scholarship for the upcoming Spring season.
- Qualifying states will report the name of the recipient on Hard Luck Scholarship Claim Form to the National Office and will be returned with the National Finals paperwork. The claim form will be included in State Finals box.
- Funds will be distributed by the National Office to recipient of the Hard Luck Scholarship upon receiving the claim form and proof of post-secondary schooling enrollment. Examples of proof: acceptance letter, copy of class schedule, or tuition statement.
- Scholarship funds will be held until year of High School graduation
 - Example: A 6th grader who is awarded the Hard Luck Scholarship will receive the \$250 funds upon High School graduation and proof of enrollment

Suggested Qualifications for the Scholarship

- “Hard Luck” means experiencing bad luck or difficulty. This is not only bad luck in the arena, but also life circumstances (financial, social, family).
- Intent to further education after high school.
- Contestant that has empathy towards others based on his/her situation.
- Contestant may have had to persevere through a difficult situation.