

NHSRA Merit and New Member Scholarships

- Each State/Province will receive scholarships/awards based upon total membership
- Members will include the aggregate of both Junior High and High School divisions
- **Basic Awards:**
 - A State/Province will earn a \$1000 scholarship/award as provided herein for each 100 members it has at year end and for any fraction of 100 up to a maximum of 10 scholarships.
- **Membership Development Awards:**
 - At the discretion of the Full Board of Directors, States/Provinces will earn one additional scholarship for each 25 incremental members it adds relative to the total number of members it had the previous year.
 - This set of awards is in addition to the Basic Awards and notwithstanding the maximum limit of 10 that may be provided through the Basic Awards. That is, a State/Province may earn more than 10 scholarships/awards in any one year, if they increase their membership by the amounts provided herein.
- **Implementation and Administration:**
 - This program will be captured by NHSRA in a restricted account and administered by NHSRA
 - Interest/income will belong to the NHSRA as will expirations to be used for its purposes
 - Assuming the program is continued, the Basic Awards will be based upon the ending membership numbers from the previous year. This same pattern will continue in successive years as long as this program is continued.
 - NHSRA reserves the right to refer to this program or structure this program to deliver the same benefit in any way that best benefits the recipients in their ability to reduce the costs of post secondary education. For example, it may be in the best interests of a recipient to not refer to these awards as scholarships but as some other type of award.
 - This program can be discontinued at any time by the NHSRA at its discretion. In the event of discontinuation, the awards already granted as of that time will be honored.
- **Miscellaneous Details:**
 - Awards will be made upon proof of satisfactory completion of at least one semester of post-secondary schooling or some other form of post-secondary education or training – this will serve as proof of financial need and no such consideration needs to be made in the award criteria.
 - Awards will expire on August 31st in the year following the year the recipient was a senior in high school or otherwise graduated from high school. Awards may be extended for up to one additional year for a delay by recipient to pursue and complete some form of post education if such recipient makes arrangements directly with the NHSRA.

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Scholarship Guidelines and Intent

- Awards will be provided by NHSRA to the States/Provinces. The States/Provinces will determine the actual recipients of each award with the guidelines set out below.
- This program is intended to reward those that have supported the association over the years through their participation, passion, good all around conduct, and not qualified for the National Finals.
- **Recipients to be SENIORS ONLY**
- Credit to be given for:
 - Years of membership in Junior High (3) and High School (4)
 - Multiple rodeo event participation
 - Leadership in High School Rodeo, secondarily in activities outside of rodeo such as FFA
 - Fund raising for Junior High and High School Rodeo – total dollars raised for the association over their years of participation
 - Superior academic performance
 - Community service activities
 - Other extracurricular activities and performance therein
- No consideration is required for financial need or awards received for performance in the rodeo arena.