

2015 VRHA Youth Leadership Award

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Each applicant must demonstrate an ongoing commitment and dedication the equine industry and the reining discipline, demonstrating exemplary sportsmanship and serving as a role model for his or her peers. Applicants may participate at any level of competition, including local, state or national levels. Applicants may attach additional pages if necessary.

Name: _____ NRHA #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ GPA on a _____ point scale

I verify that I am a current member of VRHA in good standing and am between 9 and 18 years of age as of January 1 of the current competition year.

1. Are you currently competing? YES NO If "YES", in what division(s)

2. Please list and describe your equestrian participation and accomplishments, including the years of your participation and accomplishments.

3. Please list and describe your academic and school related participation and accomplishments, including the years of the participation and accomplishments.

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4. Please list and describe your community service, including the years that the service took place.

5. What inspires you?

6. How do you envision your future involvement within the equestrian community?

7. How do you envision your future involvement in activities outside of the equestrian community?



8. List ten words that describe you.

Required documents to submit with your application:

Copy of last year's report card of at least the last two (2) academic quarters demonstrating a minimum GPA of 3.0 or B average. Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 or B average to be considered for this award.

Two (2) letters of recommendation.

One (1) letter must come from an equestrian professional. This can be a past or current trainer, veterinarian, farrier etc.

One (1) letter must come from an adult who does not earn their living working in the equine industry.

These two required reference letters may not come from a family member.

Provide the reference name and contact information below:

Equine professional: _____ Phone: _____

Adult who does not earn their living working in the equine industry: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Applications are reviewed by VRHA and one Youth Leadership Award recipient is chosen in each division by December 28 of each competition year. VRHA will notify the recipient and invite him or her to attend the awards presentation at our awards dinner in March

Applications are judged on the following: • Equestrian participation and accomplishments and observed sportsman like behavior • Academic and school-related participation and accomplishments • Community service and VRHA club participation • Personal Essay

I, as parent / legal guardian of the VRHA Youth Leadership Award applicant, acknowledge and agree that this program is the sole and exclusive property of VRHA. Please be advised: The typing of your name below shall be considered to be an electronic signature and shall be considered to have the same legal effect and validity as your handwritten signature. Therefore, in so typing your name in the fields below, you are confirming this verification statement and the truth of the contents of the application. Parent / Legal Guardian Signature:

Completed application essays and letters must be received by VRHA office or postmarked no later than November 1.

Send applications to:

VRHA Youth Award

C/O Tina Lucas

8345 Studley Road

Mechanicsville, VA 23116

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