

Illinois Quarter Horse Youth Association Scholarship

- Scholarship applications are available May 30th each year and are due with a postmark of no later than November 30th of the application year.
- The amount of the ILQHYA Scholarship will be determined by the ILQHYA Board of Directors with consensus with the ILQHA Board of Directors. One scholarship in the amount of \$500.00 will be awarded unless determined otherwise by the Boards.
- The recipient of this scholarship shall be a full time undergraduate student enrolled in an accredited two year or four year institution (minimum of 12 credit hours per semester).
- Application for the scholarship must be made within one year of graduation from high school.
- Application for the scholarship is open to any youth that has been a member of the ILQHYA for at least two years and holds a current membership.
- To submit an application, the following must be returned to ILQHA postmarked no later than November 30th each year:
 - A completed application form
 - Two letters of reference
 - A current resume
 - A one-page essay addressing future career goals
- An incomplete application will not be considered
- Scholarship applications will be sent to:
 - Illinois Quarter Horse Association
 - P.O. Box 8
 - Ashmore, IL 61912

Process of review for scholarship selection:

- The scholarship applications will be sent out to a designated scholarship committee made up of ILQHA and ILQHYA members as a blind evaluation (no names attached).
- The applications will be evaluated using a rubric with a numeric grid with each application being given a final numeric score.
- ILQHA and ILQHYA designated board members will review the final blind evaluations and determine the recipient for the scholarship.
- The individual awarded the scholarship will be identified and a check drawn to their name to be used toward college education expenses.
- The scholarship will be awarded at the ILQHA Award Ceremony at the annual convention.

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Submit the following to ILQHA, P.O. Box 8, Ashmore, IL 61912

- This completed application form
- Two letters of reference (see provided form)
- A current resume
- A one page essay addressing your future career goals

It is the applicant's responsibility to provide all application material, under one cover, to the ILQHA postmarked no later than November 30th.

Applicant Information (please print or type)

Name: _____

(Last)

(First)

(MI)

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Indicate your career goal: _____

High School (name & address): _____

High School GPA: _____ (on 4 point scale)

College Choice: _____

Anticipated Major: _____

Major Contributor to applicants support and relationship to applicant:

Number of siblings: _____

Number of years a member of ILQHHA: _____

Please provide the following: (limit response to 1 page, but be as thorough as possible)

1. An expression of future educational goals
2. A description of all activities you have participated in which involved ILQHA or ILQHHA
3. A description of all other horse related activities you have participated in (4-H, FFA etc.)
4. A description of all non-horse related activities and interests

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Letter of Reference Form

Guidelines: Please type reference on letterhead stationary if at all possible. The letter of reference must include the applicants name and relationship to the applicant. Letters of reference are to be returned, with this form, **to the applicant in a sealed envelope.** They will be sent, under one cover, by the applicant to the ILQHA by November 30th.

Name of applicant: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Leadership: Exercises ability to organize, direct, and inspire others.

Excellent _____ Average _____ Below Average _____

Character: Relates well with peers and adults; is courteous to others.

Excellent _____ Average _____ Below Average _____