

WPOAC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Scholarship is awarded to a member of WPOAC furthering their education in a career of their choice.

Eligibility

1. Applicants must be planning to attend or currently attending college (four-year, technical, or equivalent training) in any career field of their choice.
2. Applicants are eligible to apply for the scholarship either:
 - The year of their high school graduation, or the year immediately following their high school graduation.
 - Eligibility does not extend beyond the applicant's final year of POAC youth eligibility.
3. Applicants must have been a member of WPOAC for at least four (4) of the last six (6) years.
 - Applicants must have participated in at least 50% of WPOAC shows during each of those four years.
4. Additional points will be awarded for serving as WPOAC royalty.

Requirements

1. Two (2) letters of recommendation:
 - One from a person in the equine field
 - One from a teacher, advisor, employer, clergyman, or other professional
2. Official transcript(s) attached from high school and/or colleges currently or previously attended.

Application Deadline

1. All scholarship *applications MUST be postmarked by October 24, 2025.*
Applications postmarked after this date will NOT be considered.
2. Applications and all supporting documentation must be mailed to:
Jackie Pertzborn
Attn: WPOAC Scholarship Committee
606 East State St South
Westby, WI 54667

Additional Information

- Scholarship recipients will be notified at the WPOAC banquet in November.
- Scholarships will be paid in the name of the school, or in the name of both the school and the recipient, upon enrollment. Recipients must provide proof of enrollment and inform the scholarship committee of the financial aid office's mailing address.
- Scholarships must be redeemed within one (1) year of receiving the award.
- Scholarship Committee Members: Jackie Pertzborn, Courtney Schwessow, Sara Pipkorn, Heather Kessler, April Wolfe, Sara Gronski, Leah Ruh, Erin Labs, Samantha TeBeest, and Missy Katzenberger.
- Questions should be directed to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson, Jackie Pertzborn at 608.386.1018 or pertz@mwt.net.



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Full Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s) _____

Are you currently a member of WPOAC? Yes No

Verification of WPOAC Participation

To meet eligibility requirements, applicants must have participated in at least 50% of WPOAC shows in four (4) of the last six (6) years.

Please check all applicable years below:

- 2020 (July 24–26; August 22–23)
- 2021 (May 29–30; June 12–13; August 7–8; August 21–22)
- 2022 (June 10–11; August 20–21; September 2–5)
- 2023 (May 27–29; June 10–11; August 26–27)
- 2024 (May 25–27; June 8–9; August 10–11)
- 2025 (May 25–25; July 26–27; August 9–10; September 13–14)

Name of High School _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Year of Graduation _____ Official transcript of grades attached? Yes No

Name of College/University _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Intended Major _____

Explain your need for financial assistance. _____

If additional space is needed, please attach a separate sheet and label it with the corresponding question.

What has being a member of WPOAC done for you? _____

List leadership experience, including offices held, activities, and special recognitions.
May include non-equine related activities.

Have you been WPOAC royalty? If yes, list what years. _____

I acknowledge that the information provided on this application is accurate. I understand that providing false information may result in withdrawal or repayment of an awarded scholarship.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

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SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION TO

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