OHIO HIGH SCHOOL & Jr HIGH RODEO ASSOCIATION GROUND RULES

1. All Ohio High School Rodeo Association (OHSRA) contestants shall be members of the National High School Rodeo Association (NHSRA).

2. All Contestants shall observe ground rules by the NHSRA and OHSRA.

3. Students must be a fully paid OHSRA member to enter any OHSRA contest and have all required paperwork turned in to the State Secretary, with the exception of a one time trial entry.

4. High School & Jr High members must raise **$300.00** for the OHSRA through sponsorship or donation. **Money is due by March 1st** of the current rodeo season. Points for spring rodeos will not count and member will be ineligible for State Finals until sponsorship is paid. **BONUS POINTS:** Each contestant will receive **2 extra points** in 1 event of their choice for: ATTENDING Mid-Winter Meeting, submitting their SPONSORSHIP & GRADE CURRENT CARD by the Mid-winter meeting (typically held in February).

5. Late entries will be penalized with a $50.00 late fee. Late entries will only be accepted with approval by the Rodeo Secretary, Rodeo Coordinator and National Director.

6. All rodeo fees will be paid with electronic funds, cash, check, or money order. There will be a $35.00 charge for returned checks, paid to OHSRA. Members will be ineligible to compete in any rodeos until all fees are paid.

7. Grades Defined: To be eligible to enter and receive points at any OHSRA rodeo, students must have a current grade card. Grade cards furnished by individual school systems are to be turned in before the first rodeo of the season, and at the Annual Mid-winter meeting. Home schooled students are to turn in reports from the company or person teaching them. The prior grading period makes eligibility for the following rodeos (See NHSRA Rule Book under Grades Defined).

8. Commencement Ceremonies: OHSRA members (and participating family members) may be permitted to take events on the same day with prior approval by OHSRA Board of Directors and Stock Contractor.

9. JH/HS Breakaway will have 15 second time limit. High School Breakaway ONLY will be “bell-collar” catch or NT.

10. All other timed events (except BK) will have a 30 second time limit and **1** loop (**2** for TR), including state finals. Team Ropers/Ribbon Ropers will be allowed to enter with a "ghost" (aka: draw partner) at any rodeo, except State Finals.

11. To enter the OHSRA Finals, each student must enter and compete in at least one other OHSRA pointed rodeo in that event.

12. The Adult Event Directors for the OHSRA Rodeos shall be: **Rough Stock Events** (BB, SB, BR) Director, **Cattle Events** (BK, TD, RR, SW/CD, TR) Director, & **Speed Events** (BA, PB, GT) Director.

13. Contestants are to be on the grounds in full rodeo attire and checked in one hour before the scheduled performance time. If you miss an event, you are still required to pay all fees. You will be allowed to compete in the rest of your events, but your missed event(s) will be forfeited.

14. **No** drugs, alcohol or tobacco products are permitted at rodeo performances. Disorderly conduct before, during or after the rodeo on or off the grounds will not be tolerated. Parents/Guardians/contestants disregarding this rule will result in forfeiture of their child's points or their points for the day or a $100 fine.

15. There will be a 12:00AM curfew at all rodeos for OHSRA participating members. You must be in your camp areas at this time. No driving of motor vehicles, bicycles, and/or riding horses.

16. Helmets are strongly recommended while participating in all Rough Stock Events.

17. It is the opinion of this Committee that the NHSRA rule book and addendum of the aforementioned additions and clarifications regulates all decisions made for the OHSRA.

These ground rules for the OHSRA were compiled and approved
by the 2026 -2027 Board.