

ARKANSAS HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION

**2026 AHSRA SENIOR
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT PACKET**

CONTESTANTS
PLEASE READ

WE URGE YOU TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS
OPPORTUNITY.

RECIPIENT SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE SENT DIRECTLY
TO THE
SCHOOL OF YOUR CHOICE

UPON REQUEST & PROOF OF ENROLLMENT!!



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AHSRA COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Dear Parents & Contestants,

We know your senior year is an exciting time for your family. At this point in the year, you may not have made a decision of what and where your future will take you. It will be May and graduation for all seniors in only a matter of time. We, the board, officers, and committees of the Arkansas High School Rodeo Association are very proud to be able to offer the opportunity of helping to get you a head start on your future. We have worked hard to be able to offer these scholarships for you to take advantage of. There were some years in the past when we did not offer any scholarships to our members. PLEASE take advantage of this and read and discuss what is being offered to you. We WANT to announce at our State Finals Rodeo and to your high school graduation how proud we are to provide these opportunities.

You the students and parents are what make our association what it is today. We hope to continue to grow and be a part of the youth of today for they are our future of tomorrow.

Seniors take advantage of these opportunities you have and mail your application in by the deadline of Friday, **APRIL 10, 2026.**

“YOU MUST APPLY” IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A SCHOLARSHIP.

Good Luck,

Scholarship Committee
Arkansas High School Rodeo Association

**All awarded scholarships MUST be requested for
within one year of date of issue.**



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2026 AHSRA "SENIORS" ONLY

AHSRA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

GUIDELINES

1. This application must be completed and returned postmarked by **"mail only"** to **Anita Higginbotham, 214 Kerry Dr., Crossett, AR 71635 by Fri, April 10, 2026.** Applications will **only be accepted by mail.** Applications received postmarked after April 10, 2026 or later **will not** be considered. Applications will not be accepted in person by any scholarship committee member. **You must apply to be eligible.**
2. There will be NO interview portion of the scholarship process. Please be as thorough and concise as possible in your application materials. In the written portion about goals, ambitions, and career goals--be as complete and specific as possible since there will be no opportunities for questions and answers.
3. Copies of official ACT scores and high school transcripts **MUST** be included in the application. Applications which do not include official documentation of ACT scores and high school transcripts will not be considered.
4. **AHSRA performance based scholarships** – will be awarded depending on availability of funds in scholarship fund for that year.
5. A brief but concise essay is expected to provide information in regard to school activities, other organization activities, and leadership activities. The essay should also describe your personal goals, ambitions, and career goals that you have at this time.
6. The application must include two (2) recommendations from individuals other than family members.
7. An AHSRA scholarship committee score sheet is being provided to you so that you can fully understand the point and scoring method. Those with the highest score will be voted on by the scholarship committee then recommended to the AHSRA Board of Directors for final approval.
8. The AHSRA scholarship committee will meet and select scholarship recipients after the deadline. The scholarship recipients will be announced and notified at that time.
9. You may call or contact with questions or concerns. Anita Higginbotham – 870-510-4180 or email kerryacres3@windstream.net. Scholarship committee will consist of 3 members of the board of directors which **DO NOT** have an eligible applicant.



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**“YOU MUST COMPETE AT AHSRA STATE
FINALS RODEO TO BE ELIGIBLE TO
RECEIVE AWARD”**

AHSRA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

HIGH SCHOOL NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

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1. Number of years of AHSRA participation _____
Regional rodeos competed in during the senior year by the deadline will be verified by the AHSRA State Secretary.
 2. Overall G.P.A. _____ Provide a copy of the most recent official High School transcript.
 3. ACT scores _____ Provide a copy of your official ACT scores--it may be attached to or a part of your high school transcript.
 4. Write and attach a brief but concise essay that describes your school activities, other organizational activities, and leadership activities. Also outline and describe your personal goals, ambitions, and career goals at this time.
 5. Attach two non-family member recommendations.
 6. **MARK OUTSIDE OF ENVELOPE AS “SCHOLARSHIP” so that it will not be confused with regular mail.**

(Sample Scoring Process)
**AHSRA SCHOLARSHIP
 COMMITTEE SCORE SHEET**

Applicant _____ Date _____

| | Possible points | Points |
|---|-----------------|--------|
| AHSRA Participation | (25) | _____ |
| 3.75 pts. for each year of AHSRA membership plus a 4 pt. bonus for 4 years for a maximum of 19 pts | | |
| 1 pt. for each regional rodeo competed in during senior year prior to March 28, 2026 for a maximun of 6 pts. Rodeos entered _____ | | |
| G.P.A. (Official high school transcript required) | (20) | _____ |
| 2.00-2.50 5 pts. | | |
| 2.51-3.00 10 pts. | | |
| 3.01-3.50 15 pts. | | |
| 3.51-4.00 20 pts. | | |
| ACT (Official test scores or on H.S. transcript) | (15) | _____ |
| 15-18 5 pts. | | |
| 19-23 10 pts. | | |
| 24-27 & up 15 pts. | | |
| School activities and organizations | (15) | _____ |
| membership in 3 5 pts. | | |
| leadership in 3 10 pts. | | |
| Goals/Ambition/Career Goals | (15) | _____ |
| subjective opinion 0-15 pts. | | |
| Recommendations (2 required--non-family) | (5) | _____ |
| Application | (5) | _____ |
| clarity, conciseness of application 0-5 pts. | | |
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| TOTAL | (100) | _____ |

Selection Committee Member Signature _____

