



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2017

PROGRAM GUIDELINES:

The Florida Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (FHBPA) is proud to announce the continuation of its scholarship program in 2017 for qualified, Florida-licensed backstretch employees and/or their direct dependents. The program is designed to further the student's education at the college undergraduate level. The scholarship may be used at any accredited college, university, community college or trade school and the student is free to pursue any field of study.

Those eligible include the following and their dependents: Florida-licensed trainer, assistant trainer, foreman, groom, exercise rider, pony person or hot walker. Further, the family must reside in Florida full-time.

At present the scholarships are available only for students at the undergraduate level. Household income may not exceed \$75,000 annually except under extenuating circumstances. The deadline for submission of an application to the FHBPA office is July 3, 2017. **Late applications will not be accepted.**

SELECTION PROCESS:

Each application will be reviewed by the FHBPA Scholarship Committee. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet the eligibility requirements will not be considered.

The student must submit his/her most recent high school or college transcripts verifying that he/she is a qualified high school graduate or current college student in good standing.

This is a need-based scholarship program and may be renewed annually if the student retains his/her academic good standing throughout the academic year. The Scholarship Committee will review each student's file on an annual basis.

Before the Fall semester begins, scholarship monies will be distributed directly to the institution. However, the student must first provide proof of enrollment and a copy of his/her tuition invoice directly to the FHBPA offices.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS:

If available, each applicant should submit a copy of his/her completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form and a copy of his/her Student Aid Report (SAR). The student is required to submit copies of his/her parent's or guardian's tax return for the current year.

INTERVIEWS:

Personal interviews with the Scholarship Committee may be required of **NEW** applicants.

WRITTEN ESSAYS AND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION:

A written essay of no more than 250 words must be submitted which describes the applicant's future goals and why this scholarship is important to attaining those goals.

Further, a letter of recommendation from someone who knows the student well and can offer insights into his/her potential is required. This person must not be the student's parent or guardian.

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mail completed application forms and any supporting material to:

Florida HBPA, Inc.
Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 3507
Hallandale Beach, FL 33008

Alternatively, applications may be delivered in person to the FHBPA office at Gulfstream Park. Office hours are Monday – Friday 8:00 am–4:00 pm. Weekends 8:00 am–2:00 pm

The applicant will be notified of the Committee's decision by July 31st.

Any further questions, contact Iris in the FHBPA office at 954-457-3516.

FHBPA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2017

Check The Type Of School And Provide Student Status:

University/College: _____ Community College: _____ Trade School: _____

Student Status: Full-Time _____ Part-Time _____

Personal Information:

Date: _____

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Date of Birth: _____

High School Education:

High School: _____

Graduation Date: _____

College or Trade School You will Attend: _____

Address and Phone of Institution: _____

College/Trade School Education If Already Matriculating:

Name of School: _____

Address of Institution: _____

Phone Number: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Information:

Full Name: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Florida Badge Number: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Licensed as (circle one): Trainer Assistant Trainer Foreman Groom

Exercise Rider Hot Walker Pony Person

Employer Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

In Addition To Completing This Form, Please Provide The Following:

Official High School or College Transcripts

Written Essay

Letter of Recommendation

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form

Student Aid Report (SAR)

Copy of Applicant's Florida ID or Driver License

Copy of Parents' or Guardians' Tax Return For 2016

Copy of Parents' or Guardians' Florida ID or Driver License

Copy of Parents' or Guardians' Florida Racing License

Copy of Parents' or Guardians' Florida Badge

NOTE: After the scholarship is awarded, the applicant must provide proof of enrollment and a copy of student's tuition invoice to the Scholarship Committee.

ALL APPLICATIONS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN JULY 3, 2017.

NO EXCEPTIONS!

FHBPA SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST 2017

Date _____

Name of Applicant _____ Age _____

Name of Parents or Guardians: _____ Position _____

_____ Position _____

Copy of State of Florida ID/driver license for Applicant _____

Copy of Florida ID/driver license of Parent or Guardian _____

Copy of Florida Racing License of Parent or Guardian _____

Copy of Florida Racing Badge of Parent or Guardian _____

Written Essay _____

Letter of Recommendation _____

High School (or College) Transcripts _____

Parents' or Guardians' Tax Returns _____

Student Aid Report (SAR) _____

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form _____