

# 2020 Northwest Youth Rodeo Association (NWYRA) Scholarships And Jake Thompson Memorial Scholarship

## Academic Scholarship Application

The Academic scholarships are awarded to **qualifying graduating seniors in 2020 who were members and participants during the 2019 season in NWYRA.** The deadline for applications is **July 31, 2020**. Scholarship Award(s) will be announced at the scheduled rodeo the weekend of August 7-9, 2020.

**Purpose:** To provide up to three scholarships to graduating seniors pursuing a post-high school course of study at either a college/university, other post-secondary educational institution, or a trade school and graduated high school June 2020 and will be payable in the 2020-2021 school year.

**Award Components:** One Jake Thompson Memorial Scholarship up to \$2000 and two NWYRA scholarship(s), one awarded up to \$1500 and one awarded up to \$1000 per student selected by the Scholarship Committee.

### **Criteria:**

1. Applicants must be a graduated senior in the year of the award (or equivalent completion of HS e.g. GED or equivalent). AND
2. Applicants must have been participants and members during the 2019 season in the Northwest Youth Rodeo Association.

**Accessing Funds:** Scholarship funds will be awarded to the student upon evidence of registration (letter of matriculation) in college/university or other post-secondary educational institution or trade school. A check will be sent to the school in your name.

### **Application Process:**

1. Completed application form.
2. Letter of application addressed to the scholarship committee. Letter should contain a brief explanation of career goals and biographical (background) information.
3. An official high school transcript with cumulative grade point average and class rank/standing or official GED transcript.
4. Two (2) letters of recommendation from high school teachers, administrators, counselors, employers, or individual with significant knowledge of applicant's experience and involvement, NOT your parent.

**5. Personal essay.** In your essay please answer the question (typed, double spaced minimum of 250 words, with word count noted):

**Describe and explain how you have worked in your life to make a positive difference.**

**Deadline: Application deadline is July 31, 2020, by 8 PM.** Applications not received by this date and time will NOT be considered. Send applications to:

Dr. Susan FitzGerald, FitzGerald Farms, 8490 NW Moores Valley Rd. Yamhill, OR 97148

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<b>CRITERIA</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
Completion of Application	All sections complete; neat presentation; statement of accuracy signed / dated	One section missing and neat; or all sections complete and messy	Two missing sections either neat or messy
Academic honors, awards, sports activities, and membership activities	Numerous (15 or more noted)	Some (9-14)	Few (3-8)
Volunteer community service, hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities	Numerous (6 or more noted)	Some (3-5 noted)	Few (1-2)
Required elements 1. HS or GED transcript 2. Two letters of recommendation	All evident; recommendations completely align with application	N/A	One item missing; recommendations not completely aligned
Letter of Application	Includes career goals and biographical background; information well-articulated; neat and professional	Contains career goals and bio information; content written with minimal information; neat	Incomplete career goals and/or bio information; content weak or sparse; hand written / messy
Personal Essay	Minimum of 250 words, typed, double spaced, neat and professional (spelling, punctuation, format readable); well articulated	N/A	Incomplete for minimum words, formatting messy, spelling and / or punctuation errors
Grade Point Average	4.00+ - 3.9	3.89 – 3.70	3.69 – 3.0
		TOTAL POINTS  (POSSIBLE: 21)	

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Academic Scholarship Application Form

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

\*I am/will be attending the following school in the Fall 2020: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Proof of acceptance from the above school is required prior receipt of funds.**

1. List your academic honors, awards, sports activities, and membership activities during high school (grades 9-12). (Use a separate sheet if needed).
  
2. List your volunteer community service activities, hobbies, outside interests, and extracurricular activities (grades 9-12). (Use a separate sheet if needed).
  
3. Personal essay written separately and included in the application packet (typed, double spaced minimum of 250 words, with word count noted):

**Describe and explain how you have worked in your life to make a positive difference.**

**STATEMENT OF ACCURACY**

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for promotion and announcements. I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must provide evidence of enrollment / registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded.

Signature of scholarship applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**The deadline for this application to be received is: July 31, 2020 by 8 PM.**