

## **-RMRHA Educational Scholarship Application Information and Process- Information**

- Educational funds are awarded to assist in starting a program of study OR continuing a program of study at a post high-school institution
- Recipient(s) will be determined by the RMRHA Board of Directors
- The RMRHA Board of Directors will announce the winner(s) of the RMRHA Educational Scholarships in December 2024 at the Annual RMRHA Members Year end award banquet
- Applicants must turn in their application packet to Holly Tracy by midnight, November 25, 2024
- The scholarship awards given on the day of the awards banquet (date to be decided but will be posted when decided), may be used for the semester/trimester beginning on or around January 1, 2025. If the applicant wishes to receive an award for the 2025/2026 school year, he or she may do so by indicating that on the application and application will be considered for the total of 3 semesters or equivalent trimesters

## **Eligibility**

- Applicant must be a current member of RMRHA
- Applicant must be attending, or planning to attend, an undergraduate degree in a two-year or four-year institution, trade, or technical school
- Previous recipients of the RMRHA Scholarship can re-apply if education is continuing, even if place of education is changing

## **Application will include the following:**

- Application form located on the RMRHA website
- Letter of recommendation from a horsewoman or horseman
- Letter of recommendation from a teacher or advisor
- Letter of recommendation from someone outside the horse industry (employer, clergy, mentor)
- Current year academic record
- Statement from you of your equine background
- List of community involvement and/or activities
- Statement of sense of direction for furthering education

## **Funding**

- Funds will be disbursed directly to the school of choice. If the recipient is not attending until the future, RMRHA will hold funds until a school has been chosen and that recipient graduates High School.
- If awarded a scholarship, recipient will be asked to provide the following information to the RMRHA Treasurer for release of funds:
  - ★ School name
  - ★ School Financial Aid Office address
  - ★ School Contact
  - ★ School Contact's phone number