



Wisconsin State Horse Council Equine Foundation (WSHCEF) Scholarships 2026

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SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Description:

Scholarships are available in increments of \$500 up to \$5000.

Eligibility:

- A. Applicants planning to or are currently studying in any equine profession

**Be specific as non-equine studies will be eliminated.*
- B. Applicants may also include:
 - (1) All high school seniors or
 - (2) high school graduates currently enrolled in a post high program including associate degree, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, MS, Ph.D., DVM
 - (3) persons looking to enter career that furthers the equine industry
- C. Applicants must have been a full time Wisconsin resident for the **past five years** (must be able to provide documents to show residency)
- D. Applicants must be a current member of the WHC as a:
 - (1) individual member, or
 - (2) member of a WHC club member, or
 - (3) member of a WHC association member.
- E. Qualified applicants may receive a WSHCEF Scholarship in two different years. Applicants become ineligible for further WSHCEF Scholarships after receiving a second scholarship.

Additional Requirements:

- A. Three letters of recommendation: (no more than 3 will be accepted)
 - (1) One from a horseperson with comments on the applicant's equine abilities and experiences, and
 - (2) One from a teacher, advisor, or employer indicating the quality of work in school or employment and
 - (3) One from any source (i.e. employer, clergyman, etc.)
- B. Picture--Submit with application.

Failure to submit these documents will result in applicants not being eligible for consideration for a scholarship.

Application Deadlines:

- A. All Scholarship applications **MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 1, 2026**. Scholarship applications received postmarked after that date ARE NOT ELIGIBLE.

- B. Scholarships applications and all supporting documentation as listed above must be mailed to **Wisconsin State Horse Council Equine Foundation, Attn: Scholarship Program, 121 S. Ludington Street, P.O. Box 72, Columbus, WI 53925.**

Other Information:

- A. Scholarship recipients will be notified before the Midwest Horse Fair and are requested to appear at the Midwest Horse Fair for recognition.
- B1. Scholarships will be paid in the name of the school, or the school and the recipient, upon enrollment for the following fall semester. **Recipients must provide proof of enrollment and the financial aid office mailing address of their school to Wisconsin State Horse Council Equine Foundation by November 1, 2026. Scholarships will be forfeited to any recipient who fails to submit the proof of enrollment and mailing address by November 1, 2026.**
- Proof of enrollment MUST include the following on the document:
 - Name of school
 - Name of student
 - Class schedule **with** time frame of schedule (i.e.- fall semester 2025)
 - What name should the check be made out to. Does student name need to be on the check somewhere?
 - Address where the check should be mailed to
- B2. If attending something other than traditional 2- or 4-year program, then reimbursement will be dispersed to the individual upon proof of successfully completing the program to WSHCEF.
- C. Questions should be directed to the Wisconsin State Horse Council Equine Foundation office either by phone, 920-623-0393, or by email to info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org.