

SISTERS RODEO ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

DEADLINE: February 29, 2024

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

1. Eligible applicants must be either: (a) a graduating high school senior who is accepted to or planning to attend any accredited trade school or two- or four-year college/university immediately following graduation from high school, or (b) a college freshman who has completed one year of college, university, or trade school and is planning to return to an accredited college, university, or trade school for a second year.
2. Eligible applicants must have attended a high school in one of the following communities in Central Oregon: Sisters, Redmond, Prineville, Madras, or Bend-La Pine.
3. Applicants must have maintained a minimum 2.80 cumulative GPA.
4. Applicants must have an interest in and commitment to volunteering with community or school organizations within Central Oregon.
5. Applicants must demonstrate a good work ethic and character in their school and community.
6. Preference will be given to applicants who have shown interest or involvement in rodeo, 4-H, Future Farmers of America, and/or equestrian activities, and those who express an interest in pursuing a career involving agriculture, ranching, or veterinary services or trades.

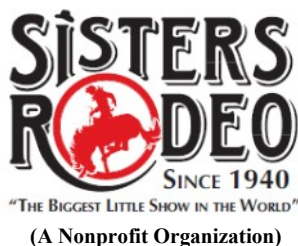
AWARD: One \$2,000 scholarship will be paid directly to the post-secondary institution of each winner's choice to assist with educational costs. Up to four scholarships will be offered to Central Oregon students.

REQUIRED ITEMS FOR APPLICATION:

1. Completed application (see next page)
2. Essay 1: In 100 words or less, describe your post high school plans. If you have chosen a field of study, please explain why this is of interest to you. If you have not decided on a course of study, please explain your desired outcome by continuing your education. Please include any interest in pursuing a career in agriculture, ranching, or veterinary services or trades.
3. Essay 2: Reflect on a specific instance where you have contributed to the well-being of your family, fellow students, or the greater community. You should touch on how you got involved, the ways your actions positively affected others, and how you believe these efforts enhanced the quality of life within your community.
4. Provide a chronological list of all community service, scholastic achievement, sports, clubs, employment, rodeo, equestrian activities, and awards/recognition.
5. Official high school transcript, plus college transcript if applicable
6. Two letters of recommendation: please provide letters of recommendation from: (i) a school faculty member, and (ii) a community member (e.g., a coach, clergy, employer). The letters of recommendation should answer the following:
 - How long have you known this student?
 - What three words would you use to describe the applicant's key strengths?
 - What three words would you use to describe the applicant's opportunities for growth?
 - What differentiates this applicant from others?
7. Senior picture for award announcements



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Return this completed application and all required documentation by **February 29, 2024**, by email to sistersrodeoscholarship@gmail.com or by mail: Sisters Rodeo Association, Attn: Scholarship Committee, PO Box 1018, Sisters, OR 97759.

Name: _____

Age: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number(s): _____

Current School: _____

Year: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

Post-Secondary Institution Name: _____

I affirm that the information provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I accept a Sisters Rodeo Association scholarship that I must be a registered student in good standing, and by failing to complete the academic year at the post-secondary educational institution of my choice (except for reasons of illness, injury, or other emergency), I will be obligated to return any scholarship granted to me by Sisters Rodeo Association.

If I receive a Sisters Rodeo Association scholarship, I consent to the use of my name, image, and likeness by Sisters Rodeo Association in connection with the announcement of the scholarship award.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Parent or Guardian
(Required if applicant is under 18 and not emancipated)

