



Appaloosa Youth Foundation 2026 Scholarship Application

Supporting Excellence in Education

The Appaloosa Youth Foundation will be awarding Up To FIVE Scholarships in TWO categories, Territory and Continuing combined.

Select the scholarship which applies to you:

*The **TERRITORY SCHOLARSHIP** is for **GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS**.

Please check the Territory Map on page 6 (six) on the application for your Territory number.

*The **CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS ARE FOR COLLEGE SOPHOMORES AND ABOVE**. It does NOT apply to a graduating high school senior.

*The **SAGEBRUSH CIRCUIT LEW & JO EKLUND SCHOLARSHIP FOR JUNIORS AND ABOVE IN COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY WHO ARE MAJORING IN AN AREA OF THE EQUINE INDUSTRY**.

Please check the box below that applies to you:

☐ Territory Scholarship

☐ Continuing Education Scholarship

☐ Sagebrush Circuit Lew and Jo Eklund Scholarship

☐ **Please check this box if you wish to designate your award as a NON-TUITION SCHOLARSHIP**

Applicant Name

ApHC/AYA Number

ApHC Territory

Permanent Address

City, State and Zip code

Telephone Number ☐ Home ☐ Cell

Email Address

Birth Date

Name of College/University and address

Enrollment Date

Major Area of Study _____ Most Recent Semester/Credit Hours completed (if applicable)

APPLICANT CHECKLIST Initial each item upon completion. Application deadline **April 15, 2026.**

___ Your Application completed on official AYF form.

___ Applications received after April 15, 2026 will not be considered.

___ Proof of Acceptance/Enrollment: Must provide an official letter of acceptance from your School of choice, not a copy.

___ A sealed copy of your most recent official academic transcript.

___ **Copy of your official SAT/ACT or similar test result. (For Territory Scholarship only).**

___ Three (3) letters of recommendation from people other than relatives. Letters need to be confidential and must be mailed separate from the application by the recommendation writers. The letters need to be received by **April 15, 2026.**

___ Essay 200 to 400 words

___ One(1) high quality photo of the applicant

Part I: College/ University School Information

Name of College/University you plan to attend. _____

School Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Current Financial Aid Office Contact Name _____ Phone Number _____ Email address _____

Financial Aid Office Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Applicant's School Address (if available) _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Anticipated Major/Area of Study: _____

Please briefly describe your scholastic and career goals: _____

Part II: Work History

Provide a brief overview of your work history and/or positions you have held.

Start Date: _____ End: _____ Position/Title: _____

Job Duties: _____

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Part III: Scholastic Aptitude

College/University GPA: _____

☐ 4.0 Scale

☐ 6.0 Scale

High School GPA: _____

☐ 4.0 Scale

☐ 6.0 Scale

An official grade transcript from your most recent school semester or quarter must accompany this application. This must be an **official sealed** copy directly from your school, not a photocopy by the student. Attach a copy of your official SAT/ACT Score (**Only for those applying for a Territory Scholarship**):

Scores/Percentiles: ACT: _____ SAT: _____ OTHER: _____

List your scholastic honors/achievements/awards:

List of your school organizations, activities and any positions held:

List your hobbies, interests, and civic activities:

Part IV: Extracurricular Equine Activities

List the name and type of equine related clubs/organizations you belong to outside of the ApHC or AYA. These may include 4H, Pony Club, Rodeo, FFA or similar organizations.

Club Name	Club Type	Years Involved
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_____	_____	_____
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List outstanding awards and achievements in 4H, FFA, Pony Club or similar organizations:

_____ Pony Club Rating? _____

Part V: Involvement in Appaloosa Industry

Do you own an Appaloosa? _____ Does your family own Appaloosas? Yes _____ No _____

List ApHC affiliated regional clubs or racing associations you belong to:

Regional Club/Racing Association _____ Years as a member _____

How long have you been riding? _____ Showing? _____ Trail Riding? _____ Other? _____

List your activities/experiences in riding/trail/showing/racing/dressage/4H/other using an Appaloosa.

List major horsemanship awards you have received using an Appaloosa.

Part VI: Financial Need and Parent/Guardian Information

Father's Name	ApHC Number (if applicable)	Father's Occupation
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Father's Address	City	State/Zip code
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Father's Estimated Gross Income	Father's Estimated Net Income
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Mother's Name	ApHC Number (if applicable)	Mother's Occupation
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Mother's Address	City	State/Zip code
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Mother's Estimated Gross Income	Mother's Estimated Gross Income
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#of Children in Family: _____ Living at Home: _____ #of Children in College: _____

Part VII: Applicant Essay

In a 200-to-400-word essay (grammar and neatness will be judged) summarize your thoughts and feelings on the following:

1. What have your experiences with horses meant to you?
2. Why do you desire to continue your education?
3. What personal qualities do you possess that you believe qualify you to receive this scholarship?
4. What, if any, circumstances do you have the demonstrate financial need?
5. How will receiving this scholarship enhance your education experiences?

Part VIII: Letters of Recommendation

Three Letter of recommendation are required (your application will be disqualified if you do not have three (3) letters). These letters must be mailed separately from the application and be sent directly to the Appaloosa Youth Foundation by the person writing the letter. The letters may be from instructors, coaches, teachers, colleagues, youth leaders, or other qualified people. The Letters cannot be written by your family members. It is suggested that you provide a pre-addressed envelope to the:

Appaloosa Youth Foundation 115 N. Morningside Drive Idaho Falls ID 83402.

Reference 1	Address	City, State, and Zip code	Phone
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For those who are writing your recommendation letters, it is suggested that you follow up with them to ensure that their letters are mailed and will arrive before the **April 15, 2026**, deadline.

Part IX: Applicant Signature and Acknowledgement

I hereby acknowledge the information contained in this application to be true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that fraudulent information may result in disqualification of any scholarship money awarded, and/or may disqualify me from present and future consideration for scholarship funding from the APPALOOSA YOUTH FOUNDATION.

Applicant Signature

Date

Applicant Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

Date

(Parent/Guardian's Signature is not required for Continuing or Sagebrush Student Scholarship)

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 2026 NO EXCEPTIONS

Mail Application To: Appaloosa Youth Foundation

115 N. Morningside Drive Idaho Falls, ID 83402 ~ 208.201.1953

*****The Appaloosa Youth Foundation reserves the right to vary the number of scholarships awarded based upon the quality of the entries as scored by the judges and the funds available.**

