

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo – Metropolitan Scholarship

Due date: 2-19-2010

Amount: \$15,000 four year award (multiple scholarships given)

Organization: Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo

Website address: www.rodeohouston.com or
<http://www.rodeohouston.com/about/scholarship/s-metropolitan.aspx>

Download application: <http://www.rodeohouston.com/about/scholarship/s-metropolitan.aspx>

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Qualifications:

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY: To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, an applicant must meet criteria of citizenship, residence, academic standing, college/university enrollment plans, demonstration of leadership, character, citizenship and economic need.

Academic Standing: The applicant must be a graduating senior ranked in the upper quarter (1/4) of his/her graduating class at the completion of his/her first semester of the senior year. This ranking is to be verified as part of the official transcript or by an accompanying certification from an appropriate school official. **All GPA's MUST BE CONVERTED TO A 4.0 SCALE TO BE ACCEPTED!**

Citizenship: Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or be born in the United States and a resident of the state of Texas. **If place of birth of applicant as indicated on application and/or transcript is other than the United States, appropriate proof of citizenship must be furnished, i.e., a copy of the photo page of a valid U. S. passport, a copy of Naturalization Certificate or a birth certificate for U. S. Citizen Born Abroad. Applications submitted without proof of citizenship will not be considered.** Students with permanent resident status are not eligible to apply.

Graduation: The applicant must graduate at the end of the spring semester immediately following the award of the scholarship.

College Entrance Examination: **College Entrance Examination: *No application will be accepted without SAT OR ACT test scores.*** SAT = 1350 / ACT 19 or higher.

Collegiate Acceptance/Enrollment: The applicant must enroll or plan to enroll in either a college or university within the confines of the state of Texas and participate in a curriculum leading to a bachelor's degree. ***No application will be accepted from a student who has not applied for admission by the application deadline.***

Activities: Leadership potential and character of the applicant should be demonstrated through an applicant's responses to the categories of the application detailing school, extracurricular and community activities and achievements. Personal references should provide additional information as well.

Limit on Other Scholarships/Financial Aid: A recipient of any Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship may not receive \$40,000 or more total from financial aid (including grants, and government grants) and/or any other scholarships for the four year term of an undergraduate degree. Applicants must list all financial aid and scholarships and grants for which they have applied and the status of those awards as part of the application. If selected to receive a Show scholarship, the applicant will be notified and must verify all other financial aid and scholarships received. The scholarship award is not confirmed without such verification. Failure to disclose completely all financial aid or other scholarships shall be considered grounds for forfeiture of the award.

Applying for Other Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarships: Applicants for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Metropolitan Scholarship also may apply for other Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo four-year, \$15,000 scholarship awards for which the applicant might be eligible. However, a student can receive only one award funded by the Show. The determination of which Show scholarship a qualified applicant will receive is made solely by the Show.

Other Documents Needed:

Narrative: Each applicant **must** include a typed or handwritten narrative of no more than two, 8 ½" x 11" sheets, double-spaced. There is no specific topic or theme; however, ***the narrative should clearly indicate the importance of a college education and career goals as well as give a personal insight as to the need for the scholarship.*** Applications submitted without a narrative will not be considered.

References: Each applicant may submit a maximum of three (3) letters of personal reference from persons who are well acquainted with him/her. References either may be typed or handwritten or should include the name, address and daytime phone number of the person making the recommendation, as well as an indication of the person's relationship to the applicant (teacher, minister, employer, relative, etc.) No more than three letters may be submitted per applicant; no letter should exceed two pages in length.

Documentation: Each application must be accompanied by an official transcript, citizenship documentation, if place of birth is other than the United States; official proof of either SAT or ACT scores; and narrative. The block containing class rank and SAT / ACT must be filled out by the school registrar where indicated.

GPA: Not specified, but must be ranked in top 25% of class

Gender: Either

Ethnicity: Any

School: Any in Cy-Fair ISD or other participating districts (see website)

Requires School Committee/Nomination: NO

