California High School Rodeo Scholarships CHSRA Application Procedure

<u>To all seniors qualifying for CHSRA State Finals, Reigning Senior State Queen, and Senior Executive State Board Officers, or qualified but injured-out Senior that cannot compete:</u>

Congratulations on your approaching completion of High School and the sport of High School Rodeo. Our State Scholarships are based on academics, need, sincerity and goals of the applicant and commitment and dedication to rodeo and your involvement in your District and State Association.

You must be planning to attend one of the following: Four year College or University, Community College, or an accredited vocational or trade school.

You are responsible for turning in all of the above items when you sign in at the rodeo office for the State Finals, no later than the close of rodeo check-in on Monday.

To apply, you must do the following:

Failure to follow these instructions could cause your application to be denied by the committee!

- 1. Carefully read all information.
- 2. Complete all items on pages 1 4 of the application. Make sure all information is accurate and complete. USE ONLY THE APPLICATION PROVIDED! USE OF ANYTHING OTHER THAN THE APPLICATION, WILL VOID YOUR APPLICATION.
- 3. Get a copy of your official grade transcript from your High School, grade 9 through midgrades in your senior year. (To end of senior year if possible.) High School Seal or Stamp should be placed on the transcript and sealed in a school letterhead envelope. Copy of SAT or ACT scores if applicable.
- 4. A letter of recommendation written by someone that is not involved in rodeo; i.e., minister, rabbi, teacher, or employer.
- 5. A letter of recommendation written by a CHSRA State Officer, District Officer or State Representative.
- 6. A paper in your own handwriting, signed and dated, to the committee telling us why you need a scholarship, how you plan to use it, and what you plan to do in your future. Must be an original, not a copy!! May be one or two pages, but not exceed two pages.
- 7. Attach a letter confirming your acceptance into the college or university you are planning to attend.

Do not rely on the people you have asked to write letters for you, to deliver their part of the application for you. Follow up on them, and get the letters yourself to include with everything you turn in. SUBMIT A COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE!

All of you that make the final committee cuts after review of the applications must be available for an interview by the committee. Interview times will be posted at the Rodeo Office as soon as the times are set. Scholarship will be announced at the Final Go on Friday and posted as soon as known.

You may pick up the Scholarship Certificate and application forms before you go home, which you will use later to confirm you enrollment and submit an address to send the check. Money will not be sent to you until after you have enrolled, and attended school beyond the withdrawal without financial penalty date. This is usually sometime in October. If the date is different in your situation, verification by the school with us is necessary for a check to be issued at an earlier date.

Best wishes in your future endeavors and good luck in your Finals Rodeo and the scholarship process.

Jill Polhemus, CHSRA Scholarship Chairperson