



Terry Branco Youth Educational Scholarship

When Funding is available, the American Mule Association (AMA) may offer one or two educational scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each per year. By May 1st of any given year, the AMA will announce if funds are available for the current year's scholarship.

Eligible recipients shall be a graduating high school senior enrolled in higher education or individuals currently enrolled in higher education. High education includes but is not limited to four year universities, community colleges, trade schools, farrier programs, and cosmetology. The applicant must either be a junior member of the AMA or a part of a family membership if under 18 and a voting member if over 18. The eligible AMA member must be a member in good standing for at least two years prior to the date of the application.

Submission Instructions: The Youth Scholarship Application Packet to be submitted for scholarship award consideration consists of: The Youth Scholarship Application, Personal History, one essay, two letters of recommendation, and an official copy of grade transcripts. The Application Packet will be accepted between May 1st and July 1st (postmark dates) of the current year.

The application packet is to be mailed to:

**American Mule Association
% Emily Berman
PO BOX 1651
Decatur, TX 76234**

To be considered for a Scholarship award, applicants must complete the application as instructed, attach all required materials, and submit within the listed postmark dates.

Scholarship Award Selection Criteria: Scholarship recipients will be selected based on: their grade point average (minimum 3.0); community service; quality of character; academic performance; potential to achieve stated goals; past, current and future plans for involvement in the AMA; past, current and future plans for involvement in mules or donkeys; participation in other equine events using a mule or donkey.

Award Distribution: Scholarship applicants will be notified no later than July 30th of the current year, if they have or have not been selected for an AMA scholarship. If selected; the recipient must show proof of enrollment and acceptance to receive the scholarship money. Scholarship funds will be sent to the school to be distributed by that institution's Scholarship program when possible. Scholarship money awarded must be used within twelve months of the award, or the award monies will be forfeited.

In an Attachment you will title **Personal History** please provide the following:

Identify and describe your history while attending Grades 9 through 12 for each topic listed below. Include the grade levels you were in while participating in each topic.

AMA or Other Equine Activity using a Mule or Donkey

List the activity and describe involvement

Leadership Elected Positions (student council, class officer, clubs, team captains etc)

List the organizations, positions held and describe your responsibilities

Honors

Academic, Leadership, Contests or other honors

List the title of the award and the award description

Activities

Community service, athletics, 4H/FFA, clubs etc.

List the activity and describe involvement and or responsibilities

Other Relevant Information Not Otherwise Stated

List as you feel necessary

Must be signed by the Applicant

[] By checking this box and signing below, I agree that relevant information may be released to the news media and/or published in the AMA newsletter.

[] Further, by checking this box and signing below, I confirm the accuracy of the enclosed information and understand that any false or misleading statements may invalidate my application.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

Personal History Information: AMA or other equine activity using a mule or donkey, leadership, honors, activities, other relevant information not otherwise stated.

Letters of Recommendation: Two letters of recommendation from: teachers, 4-H leaders, FFA leaders, or other individuals in similar supervisory/lead roles.

Grade Transcripts: Official copy of your grade transcripts for the past two years.

Essay: Applicant shall submit a five hundred word essay. Tell us your future education and personal plans and goals. How you will be continuing or expanding your involvement with the AMA, and with a mule or donkey. How working with a mule or donkey may have influenced your life or who you are.

Mail the completed application packet (Application, Personal History Attachment, Letters of Recommendation, Grade Transcripts, and Essay) postmarked between May 1st and July 1st to:

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Terry Branco Youth Educational Scholarship Application

Complete the following application
Please print clearly

Legal Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Home Address: _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____

Email Address: _____

High School: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____

College/Vocational School Choice: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____

AMA Scholarship Questions and Answers

Question: Who is on the selection committee for the awards?

Answer: Selection committee consists of at least 3 persons. At minimum the president, vice president and scholarship coordinator. The applications will be brought before the board at the AMA Mid-Year Board Meeting in July for review.

Question: Are relatives of members on the selection committee or board eligible to receive an award?

Answer: Yes, relatives of members on the selection committee or board are eligible to receive an award. A selection committee member will temporarily be removed from the committee in the case of a relative applying for an award.