



## Qualifications & Instructions for 2015

The Pennsylvania Harness Horsemen's Association (PHHA) will annually grant college scholarships as follows:

**Eligibility:** The candidate must be a son or daughter of an owner, trainer or driver who has participated in harness racing in the State of Pennsylvania on a regular basis over the two (2) years preceding application. Said parent must be a member of the PHHA. Children of deceased members are also eligible. Previous winners are encouraged to re-apply provided they have not reached the lifetime benefit amount of \$10,000.

**Educational requirements:** The candidate must be a senior at any public or private secondary school or a previous high school graduate. He or she should take either the SAT or ACT test and must be recommendable to a college or university by his or her secondary school.

**Financial need:** The financial need of the candidate will be considered and estimated on the basis of his or her parents' annual income, assets and any special family circumstances. In assessing need, the number, ages and schooling needs of brothers and sisters will be taken into account.

**Extra-curricular and community service participation:** The extent to which a candidate has participated in and contributed to the life and welfare of school and/or community will be taken into account in the assessment of merit.

**Standards of consideration:** An applicant for this scholarship will be judged by criteria that, in addition to those listed above, include scholarship, citizenship, and leadership. Evidence of character and personality is sought and will be reviewed with care. Enrollment in a curriculum related to the harness racing industry will receive special consideration.

### **Application for Consideration**

Applications for consideration will be available at all PHHA member association offices and online. To advance properly the interest of the applicant and to conserve the time of the committee, all materials presented should be orderly, concise and chronological. All letters should be removed from envelopes and bound flat for review. Exhibits evidencing notable achievements in leadership, literature, athletics, dramatics, community service or other activities may be attached, but the applicant should avoid repetitious accounts.

### **Applications must include the following (in the order indicated):**

1. Two letters of recommendation, neither over 200 words, one from a school official and one from a member of the community.
2. A transcript which shows the most recent rank in class and the scores obtained on a national test, either the College Entrance Examination Board Scholastic Test (SAT) or the

American College Testing Program (ACT) or the Canadian equivalent.

3. A recent black and white, wallet size photo of the applicant.

Applications that do not conform substantially to the foregoing requirements will not be considered. However, in the event that a candidate's academic achievements are not reflected by grades and tests, other attributes must be provided.

### **Filing of Applications**

The application, signed by the principal or dean of the applicant's school and properly certified by the association, must be filed before September 16, 2015 at:

Pennsylvania Harness Horsemen's Association  
c/o Harrah's Philadelphia Casino & Racetrack  
1001 Harrah's Blvd.  
Chester, PA 19013

Subsequent application, which is a qualifying academic grade point average, must be submitted to the Trustees prior to receiving payments.

### **Additional Conditions**

The PHHA, through this program, seeks students of outstanding merit who show an appreciation of the value of an education and who are willing to achieve success. It is noted that the student must remain a full-time student and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average in the year he or she receives the scholarship. If for reasons of health or other emergencies the student does not remain enrolled full time, he/she must receive approval from the Trustees to qualify for subsequent scholarship payments. As a condition precedent in awarding the scholarship, the PHHA Board of Trustees reserves unto itself the right to cancel or otherwise terminate a grant at any time an awardee, in the opinion of the Trustees, directly or indirectly engages in undesirable activities.

The number of recipients and dollar amount of the scholarships shall be decided yearly by the PHHA, but said scholarship shall be in the minimum amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per student. The recipient of the scholarship shall be eligible for consideration for said scholarship in subsequent years provided they have not reached the lifetime maximum benefit of \$10,000.

The scholarship will be paid to the college or university by the PHHA on behalf of the student. The applicants will be judged by educators chosen by the Trustees of the PHHA, not affiliated with any horsemen's association, racetrack or the PHHA. Those rules are subject to change by the Board of Trustees from time to time.

# Pennsylvania Harness Horsemen's Association James Manderino Scholarship Fund Application

(Please type or print)

Student's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Senior High School or College \_\_\_\_\_

Address of High School or College \_\_\_\_\_

1. Expected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Number in Graduating Class \_\_\_\_\_

Scores in GEEB Scholastic Aptitude Test or  
American College Test \_\_\_\_\_

Scholastic Average (GPA) \_\_\_\_\_

X  
Official School Signature \_\_\_\_\_

2. Honors & Awards (please list chronologically and  
detail honors received:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Participation in extracurricular activities, class and  
school organizations (offices held, awards, etc.) Please  
list chronographically and give dates.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Personal and community (including employment)  
activities conducted out of school. Please list  
chronographically and give dates.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Miscellaneous – other activities such as special interest,  
hobbies, or additional information relevant to activities;  
plans for college or university study – please identify here  
the major academic interests which you will pursue at the  
college or university level. If possible, please indicate what  
your plans are for a career.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Please list other scholarships applied for, and identify  
those which you have been awarded.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Colleges applied to in order of preference: (Not applicable  
If currently college enrolled.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Prospective Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Course Duration: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Education History: Briefly describe and in narrative form  
not to exceed 200 words on a separate piece of paper the  
development of your educational interests from the time of  
entry to high school until the date of this application. Please  
identify: subjects of special interest, scholastic achievements,  
and other qualifications that might bear upon this particular award.

8. Names and ages of dependent children in household:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. List financial obligations (tuition, fees, room and board)  
now being incurred by other members of the family.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10. Educational status of children at time of this application:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

11. Please attach a wallet size photo of the applicant.

The information submitted on this form and attached  
hereto has been examined by me and I hereby certify  
that the facts herein are true.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Signature of Principal or Dean

# Pennsylvania Harness Horsemen's Association James Manderino Scholarship Fund Application

(Please type or print)

## Part 1: Student's Proposed Budget (List on an annual basis)

Resources		Cost	
Savings	\$ _____	Tuition & Fees	\$ _____
Summer Earnings	\$ _____	Books/equipment	\$ _____
Earnings During Year	\$ _____	Board	\$ _____
Veteran's Benefits	\$ _____	Room	\$ _____
Aid from other sources (loans, scholarships)	\$ _____	Clothing	\$ _____
Other (specify)	\$ _____	Food	\$ _____
	_____	Personal Recreation	\$ _____
Total Resources	\$ _____	Other (specify)	\$ _____
			_____
Year and Make Of Automobile (if owned)	_____	Total Costs	\$ _____
		Amount of indebtedness On automobile	\$ _____

Other indebtedness (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Explain any unusual circumstances connected with any of the above items: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## Part 2: To Be Completed By Parents or Guardians

### Father (or Guardian)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer or Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Yrs. In Firm: \_\_\_\_

Annual Salary (Before Taxes): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Mother (or Guardian)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer or Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Yrs. In Firm: \_\_\_\_

Annual Salary (Before Taxes): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Explain any extraordinary expenses or indebtedness: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**You must submit a current tax return with this application.**