

# 2023 JAMES MANDERINO

SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION



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**PHA**  
PENNSYLVANIA HARNESS  
Horsemen's Association

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## A scholarship for students rooted in the traditions of our sport.

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

**Eligibility:** The candidate must be the child 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. 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 maximum 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 candidates will be considered and estimated on the basis of their parents' annual income, assets and any special family circumstances. In assessing need, the number, ages and schooling needs of siblings 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.

# Instructions

## 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 wallet size photo of the applicant.
4. Student ID, school name and mailing address (so that scholarship funds may be mailed to school and applied directly to recipient's account).

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 & Deadline

The application, signed by the principal or dean of the applicant's school and properly certified by the association, must be at  
Pennsylvania Harness Horsemen's Association  
1001 Harrah's Boulevard  
Chester, PA 19013

## 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 current 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 reserves unto itself the right to cancel or otherwise terminate a grant at any time an awardee, in the opinion of the PHHA, 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. Recipients 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.

## Payments

If you are currently enrolled in college, the distribution of the scholarship funds will be

issued before December 31, 2023. If you are a senior in high school applying for this scholarship, the distribution of the funds will be mailed to the college or university once you have forwarded your letter of acceptance and student ID number to the PHHA. The scholarship will be paid directly to the college or university by the PHHA on behalf of the student.

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

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## STUDENT INFORMATION

Student's Full Name

Student's Street Address

City, State, Zip Code

Student's Email Address

Student's Phone Number

*Best Way To Contact You [ ] Email [ ] Phone*

Date of Birth

High School or College

Address of High School or College

Expected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Number in High School Graduating Class

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

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

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1. Honors & Awards (please list chronologically and detail honors received:

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

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

4. 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.

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

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

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6. Colleges applied to in order of preference (not applicable if currently college enrolled):

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Prospective Major:

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

Course Duration:

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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.

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

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Date      Signature (Applicant)

8. Names and ages of dependent children in household:

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Date      Signature (Principal or Dean)

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

RESOURCES

Savings \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Summer Earnings \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Earnings During Year \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran's Benefits \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Aid from other sources  
(loans, scholarships) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other (specify) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Total Resources \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Year and Make  
Of Automobile  
(if owned) \_\_\_\_\_

COSTS

Tuition & Fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Books/equipment \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Board \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Room \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Clothing \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Food \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Recreation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other (specify) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Total Costs \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of indebtedness  
on automobile \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other indebtedness (specify)

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

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**Part 2: To Be Completed By Parents or Guardians  
(List on an annual basis)**

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:

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**IMPORTANT: YOU MUST SUBMIT A CURRENT TAX RETURN WITH THIS APPLICATION.**