



SBOA & BCAP Scholarship Award Qualifications & Instructions

The Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association of New Jersey (SBOA of NJ) & The Backstretch Community Assistance Program of New Jersey (BCAP of NJ) will award scholarships to qualified students who plan on attending a 4 or 2 year college or university. The following will describe the scholarship and the procedures and conditions for filing an application.

Standards for Consideration

Eligibility:

- Candidates must be either a son or daughter of a full-time participant in New Jersey Harness horse racing OR be a fulltime participant in New Jersey harness horse racing. Only one candidate per household will be considered.

Educational Requirements:

- The applicant must be either a high school senior or attending a 2 or 4 year college/university.
- He or she must have taken the S.A.T. or A.C.T test.
- The applicant must have been accepted or currently attending a college or university

Financial Need:

- Financial need will be assessed based upon the following
 - Parents annual income
 - Special family circumstances
 - The number and educational financial needs of other siblings within the household

Other Consideration:

- An Applicant will be considered, in addition to the aforementioned criteria, based upon the following information:
 - Students involvement in community volunteering
 - Extracurricular academic involvement
 - Evidence of a strong character and leadership skills
 - Interest and pursuance in the equine industry.
 - First consideration will be given to new qualified applicants.

Application Information

Completed Applications must include, in order, the following material:

1. A cover letter
2. Completed SBOA of NJ Scholarship Application.
3. A Letter of recommendation from either a school official or community leader.
4. School transcripts which indicates student's most recent rank in class. If applicant is currently attending a college or university, he or she should include last completed semester report card.

5. Copy of applicant's scores on the College Entrance Examination Board Scholastic Test (S.A.T.) or the American College Testing Program (A.C.T.). (these scores are not necessary for applicants who are already attending a college or university)
6. Parent's most recent Tax return.
7. Any other information the applicant deems relevant to the selection process should be included as an appendix.

Any incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications must be post marked by June 26 and should be addressed as follows:

SBOA of NJ
Scholarship Committee
64 Business Rt. 33
Manalapan, NJ 07726

Additional Information:

1. **Obtaining an Application:** Applications will be made available through the following:
 - a. Call or stop by the SBOA office in Manalapan
 - b. SBOA office at Freehold Raceway (SBOA Representative Linda Goss)
 - c. SBOA office at Meadowlands Racetrack (SBOA Representative Linda Goss)
 - d. BCAP office at Meadowlands or Showplace(Dr. Chris Samaha)
 - e. SBOA website: www.sboanj.com
2. **Term of Scholarship:** The SBOA of NJ Scholarship is awarded annually and is predicated on continued performance. Applicants are expected to be at least the 75 percentile of their class and perform up to their potential.
3. **Scholarship Amounts:** The award is contingent on the amount of qualified and deserving applicants and financial need. Minimum annual amount is \$2,500.00 with a Maximum of \$5,000.00 based upon the aforementioned conditions. Furthermore, there is a \$10,000 lifetime cap awarded to each individual.
4. **Committees Decision:** The committee will meet on the week of June 30 to review all applicants. A decision will be rendered and applicants will be notified, via mail, by July 10.
5. **Disbursement of Scholarship:** The scholarship amounts will be disbursed to the award winners during the Scholarship Race.
6. **Award Recognition:** All Scholarship winners and families will be invited to a night at the races at Meadowlands; compliments of the Meadowlands, SBOA of NJ & BCAP of NJ in recognition of their award. The night will include a race named "SBOA Scholarship Award", Winners' picture in the Meadowlands winner circle, and a complimentary dinner. Dates and times will be determined after selection is completed.



SBOA & BCAP of NJ Scholarship Award

Application

Student's Name: _____ Date Of Birth: _____

Telephone#: (____)-____-____ EMAIL: _____

Student's Address: _____

Senior High School: _____

Address of High School: _____

1. Expected Graduating Date: _____ Rank in Class: _____/_____

S.A.T Scores: _____ Scholastic Average (G.P.A.): _____

School Official Signature: X _____

2. Honors and Awards (Please list chronologically)

3. Participation in extra-curricular activities, class and school organizations (please list chronologically and include offices held, awards, etc.)

_____ Dates: _____
_____ Dates: _____
_____ Dates: _____
_____ Dates: _____

4. Personal and Community activities conducted out of school. (Please list chronologically)

_____ Dates: _____
_____ Dates: _____
_____ Dates: _____

5. Miscellaneous- Please note any special interests, hobbies and plans for college or university study. (Include any interests in the equine industry either as a hobby or career).

6. Other scholarships that you have applied for: identify your status and amount to be awarded:

_____ Status/\$: _____ / _____

_____ Status/\$: _____ / _____

_____ Status/\$: _____ / _____

_____ Status/\$: _____ / _____

7. Colleges or Universities applied to. Rank in the order of your preference:

1. _____
Application Status: _____ Annual Tuition: \$ _____

2. _____
Application Status: _____ Annual Tuition: \$ _____

3. _____
Application Status: _____ Annual Tuition: \$ _____

4. _____
Application Status: _____ Annual Tuition: \$ _____

8. Essay: Please briefly describe, in narrative form on a **separate piece of paper**, the development of your educational interest from freshman year until now. Identify your subjects of interest, scholastic achievements, academic maturation and qualifications that are relevant to this award. Essay should not exceed 200 words.

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

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Principal

Date

FINANCES

STUDENT'S PROPOSED BUDGET (Annual)

Resources		Cost	
Savings	\$ _____	Tuition & Fees:	\$ _____
Summer Earnings	\$ _____	Books & Equipment	\$ _____
Earnings during yr.	\$ _____	Room & Board	\$ _____
Aid from parents	\$ _____	Clothing & Food	\$ _____
Other Aid (specify)	\$ _____	Other (specify below)	\$ _____
Total Resources	\$ _____	Total Costs	\$ _____

Other indebtednesses: _____

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

TO BE FILLED IN BY PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

Father (or Guardian)

Mother (Maiden Name)

Name: _____

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Address: _____

Employer or Firm: _____

Employer or Firm: _____

Position: _____ Years in Firm _____

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Annual Salary (before taxes) \$ _____

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Other Income \$ _____

Other Income \$ _____

Other children within the household

of Children: _____ Names & Ages: _____

List of financial obligations (tuition, fees, etc.) for other children. Explain any extraordinary expenses:

YOU MUST SUBMIT A CURRENT TAX RETURN (ALL PROVIDED INFORMATION REVIEWED CONFIDENTIALLY)