

## 2009 South Carolina State Fair Equine Scholarship

*sponsored by the S.C. Farm Bureau Federation  
and the S.C. Horsemen's Council*

The S.C. Farm Bureau Federation will provide a \$1500 scholarship to the top scoring individual. The S.C. Horsemen's Council will provide a \$1200 scholarship to the second highest scoring individual. Contest will be held on Saturday, October 17, 2009.

1. Open to South Carolina residents only.
2. Applicant must be an exhibitor at the South Carolina State Fair Youth Horse Show the year of application. Entries for this show must be received by September 25, 2009. Deadlines are strictly enforced.
3. Applicant must be a high school student in grades 10, 11, or 12, or enrolled in a college four-year program or a recognized technical college program; applicant must be nineteen (19) years of age or younger on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
4. Applicant must at some future date pursue a four-year degree program or a recognized technical college program. The scholarship will be given upon entry to college or recognized technical college program.
5. There must be a minimum of five participants for both scholarships to be awarded.
6. Previous winners are ineligible. An individual may be awarded this scholarship only one (1) time.
7. Applicant must submit an **Official 2009 S.C. Equine Industry Scholarship entry form**, along with resume` to Brenda Baldwin, 1440 Community Pond Rd., Eastover, SC 29044 by Tuesday, September 15, 2009. The resume` should be outlined as follows:
  - Personal Information – name; address; phone number; email address
  - Career Objective – This should also include how you wish to continue your involvement in the equine industry in the future.
  - Education
  - Equine Industry Involvement & Awards – includes association memberships
  - School Leadership Activities & Awards
  - Community Leadership Activities & Awards
  - Other accomplishments
  - Employment
8. Scholarships will be awarded to the applicants with the highest and second highest combined scores in the following areas:
  - a. **100 points -- Resume** (submit to Brenda Baldwin by September 19, 2008)
  - b. **100 points – Knowledge Assessment:** written test covering various aspects of equine husbandry and the equine industry. It will consist of fifty (50) questions.
  - c. **200 points – Skills Assessment:** participation in two contest events - showmanship and horsemanship. Applicant is to provide the horse. The same horse must be used for both events (Depending upon the number of applicants, this may be limited to the Top Ten finalists.).
  - d. **100 points - Interview** by a selected committee of three (3) industry professionals.

**500 Total Points.**

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### **Contest Timeline**

**Contest will be held on Saturday, Oct. 17, 2009**

<b>Resume</b>	Must be mailed to Brenda Baldwin and postmarked by Sept. 15, 2009
<b>Knowledge Assessment</b>	Test will be administered beginning at 8:00 a.m. in Horse Show Office.
<b>Interview</b>	The interviews will begin at noon. These will be scheduled with the applicants individually.
<b>Skills Assessment</b>	The showmanship class will begin at the conclusion of Saturday's show and will be judged by the official Youth/Open Horse Show judge. The horsemanship class will follow, after allowing time for tacking and warming up the horses. Either legal English or Western tack and attire are acceptable.
<b>Awards Announcement</b>	The scholarships will be awarded after the scoring has been completed on Saturday evening.