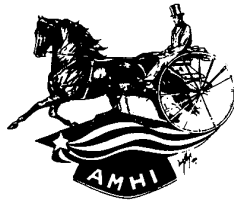


AMERICAN MORGAN HORSE INSTITUTE, INC.



Graywood Youth Horsemanship Grant

"Credo equus nos coegisse"

The American Morgan Horse Institute, Inc. encourages excellence in youth by providing scholarships and grants to outstanding young men and women.

The Graywood Youth Horsemanship Grant is available through the generosity of the Graywood Foundation, Inc.

The following is a general outline of the Graywood Youth Horsemanship Grant:

1) **Qualifications:** It is intended that recipients of this grant be Morgan youth club or American Morgan Horse Association members, ages 13 - 21, in good standing. Recipient need not own his/her own Morgan horse nor have competed in any particular number of shows nor have achieved any particular degree of ribbon placement at any show.

2) **Intent:** This grant is designed to provide to at least one (no more than two) Morgan youth per year the opportunity to spend 3-5 days with transportation and board expense met through grant funds to (a) further his/her study in the mastery of horse care and keeping; (b) receive tutelage from breed professionals in the categories of breeding and management and/or horse training and/or riding or driving; (c) ride and/or drive quality Morgan horses, thereby improving proficiency; and (d) acquire skills and knowledge from "hand-on" experience. It is hoped that the benefits of the program will positively augment the recipient's education and experience that they otherwise might not access.

Candidates for consideration of award should be deserving young people who have demonstrated interest, commitment and need. Many young people do not enjoy the advantages of personal ownership nor affiliation with a training stable or breeding farm nor do they have the ability or subsidy required to pursue their love of horses and horsemanship. This grant is designed to provide that opportunity.

3) Previous winners of a Graywood Youth Horsemanship Grant are ineligible to participate a second time. Previous applicants who did not win a grant may re-apply.

4) Applications must be postmarked not later than February 1. Candidates will be notified by June 1.

5) If, in the opinion of the Selection Committee, no applicant meets the standards as set by the Committee, the grant funds will be held within the AMHI account.

6) Applications may be obtained by sending a postage paid, self-addressed envelope to:

AMHI Scholarships
Attention: Graywood Youth Horsemanship Grant
PO Box 837
Shelburne, VT 05482-0519

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Graywood Youth Horsemanship Grant

Application

Please type or print in black ink.

Legal Name _____
Last First Middle

Social Security Number _____

Age _____ Current Grade in School _____

Permanent Mailing Address _____
Street/Apt. #/P.O. Box

_____ City State Zip Code

Home Telephone Number (____) _____

AMHA Membership # or Name of Morgan Youth Group _____

(Membership in the American Morgan Horse Association or a Morgan Youth Club is required)

ESSAY: On separate paper, answer all of the questions below. You may choose your own format, but be sure to answer all questions completely. You may add any information or comment you believe would appropriately represent yourself as a candidate for this award. Please restrict your remarks to 1200 words or less.

- 1) Do you own a horse(s), for how long, of what age and discipline?
- 2) Do you ride/drive? If so, for how long? Have you received instruction? Where and how much? If not, would you like to ride/drive?
- 3) Do you show? Where? How often? What discipline? If not, would you like to compete?
- 4) How did you get involved with horses? Was there any particular experience or person that encouraged you?
- 5) In terms of your horse affiliation, what do you believe are your strong points? Your weak points?
- 6) What discipline interest you most?
- 7) What would you like to know more about (i) riding; (ii) driving; (iii) horse care; (iv) training; (v) breeding?

- 8) How would you describe yourself as a person? Are you shy, outgoing, studious, lighthearted, serious, etc.?
- 9) What type of person do you get along with best? What type of environment suits you best?
- 10) Do you have any health problems or physical characteristics that require special consideration? Please note that inclusion of such will not negatively impact consideration.
- 11) Does your family support your horse involvement? Do you think they would approve of your participation in this program given it requires you to be away from home for 3-5 days?
- 12) Describe why you believe you are the right candidate for this award.

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION: Include a one-page letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, trainer, or personal adult friend.

TRANSCRIPT: Include the most recent transcript from your high school, and a transcript from the school of attendance at the time of your application. These may be sent to us directly from your school.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Enclose a recent photograph of yourself, which will be appropriate for publicity. Be sure your name is written on the back of the photograph. Photographs cannot be returned.

Hometown Newspaper: _____ E-Mail address of paper: _____

I certify that all of the information I've submitted is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that the Scholarship Committee will not consider incomplete applications.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Send the completed application, essay, letter of recommendation,
school transcript(s), and photo,
postmarked by February 1st to:
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Attention: Graywood Youth Horsemanship Grant
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