



P.O. Box 461
Etna, CA 6027

January 4, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

Top of the State Unit of Backcountry Horsemen of California, Inc. has a \$1,000.00 scholarship available to a vocational or academic student seeking an agriculture or natural resource education. Attached is a copy of the application. It can also be downloaded at www.bchc-tos.com/forms.html website. Please provide this information to those students interested in applying.

The completed application along with the appropriate information attached must be postmarked by April 6, 2020 and mailed to the above address.

Please direct any questions to Becky Richman at 459-3328.



**TOP OF THE STATE UNIT
OF BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN OF CALIFORNIA, INC.**

Dale Payne Memorial Scholarship

I. Information

We are offering a \$1,000 scholarship to be applied to the costs of post high school training in the field of agriculture or natural resources which is directed toward a course of study that will result in a credential, license, certification or academic degree.

This scholarship may be used at a community college, business college, technical institute, trade school, state college or university.

The Scholarship will be awarded in two payments upon receipt of proof of full-time enrollment at the college of choice: \$500 for the Fall semester and \$500 for the Spring semester.

II. Qualifications

The applicant must be graduating from a high school in Siskiyou County and be planning to continue his/her education in the fall or spring term following graduation.

Applicant must have a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

Your application must be postmarked by April 6, 2020 and mailed to: Top of the State Unit, Backcountry Horsemen of CA P.O. Box 461 Etna, CA 96027

III. Complete the following:

A. Provide your full name _____

B. Residential address _____

C. Mailing address _____

D. Phone _____ Email address _____

E. Date of Birth _____

F. Grade point average _____

G. Have any of your family been members of Backcountry Horsemen? _____

H. Is anyone financially dependent on you? If so their ages?

IV. Submit a brief essay discussing:

- A. What fields of study you plan to follow and what career is your ultimate goal.
- B. What school you plan to attend, whether you have applied, why you chose that school and your expected date of graduation.
- C. Why you feel suited to this career.
- D. What impact living in Siskiyou County has had on you.
- E. What you enjoyed most and least about high school.
- F. Who has been the most influential person in your life and why.
- G. Any unusual family or personal circumstances that warrant special consideration.
- H. Whether you plan to live at your family home, campus or somewhere else.
- I. Whether you plan to work while attending school.
- J. Other sources of financial assistance i.e. family contributions, grants or other scholarships.
- K. Why Backcountry Horsemen should award you this scholarship.
- L. Information about your community involvement and time spent. i.e. church, volunteer work.
- M. Information about any extra-curricular activities including time spent, honors or awards, i.e., clubs, sports, organizations.
- N. Information about any work experience including employers and length of employment.
- O. Applicant's signature and date.

V. Provide the following:

- A. Two letters of recommendation from individuals other than family members. Indicate their occupations and relationship to you. i.e. teacher, counselor, employer, mentor.
- B. An up-to-date high school transcript.

VI. Award:

- A. The individual selected will be notified within two weeks of the deadline.
- B. The recipient will be announced at any applicable school scholarship program, i.e., Top 100. Recipient will also be asked to attend a Backcountry Horsemen meeting to honor them.
- C. Depending on applications received, the Top of the State Unit of Backcountry Horsemen of California reserves the right to not award a scholarship.

Signature: _____

Date: _____