

## 2018 Dressage Scholarship Guidelines

- The \$500 scholarship is intended for educational purposes only. For example: clinics (mounted or unmounted), seminars, the "L" program, specific completion goals, etc.
- Applicants must be a CRDA member in good standing. (Applicants can send in a membership form and member dues along with their application.)
- Applicants must complete all required sections of the Scholarship Application form.
- Applicants must submit a 450-550 word essay on the topic for 2018: "What has CRDA done for you?"
- The applicant MUST have accrued 4 volunteer hours for CRDA by the end of day of 10/1/2018. These hours MUST be separate from any hours used to qualify for Year End Awards. If an applicant wishes to qualify for both this scholarship and the Year End Awards, they will need to complete a minimum of 8 hours of volunteer work in the 2018 season (10/02/2017 10/1/2018). Volunteer hours must be completed by the applicant (unless the applicant is 10 years of age or younger, in which case hours may be donated by a family member or friend). In order to ensure hours are approved and recorded, applicants must complete a volunteer form, which can be downloaded and printed here: (Volunteer Form)
  - o If you want to apply for both the Sage Educational Scholarship AND qualify for Year End Awards, you need 8 Volunteer hours.
  - o If you want to apply for only the Sage Educational Scholarship and are not interested in qualifying for year-end awards, you need 4 Volunteer hours.
  - o If you want to qualify for only the Year End Awards and are not interested in applying for the Sage Educational scholarship, you need 4 Volunteer hours.
- Completed applications with essay must be received by 10/2/2018.
- Please mail to: Cerredwyn Horrigan, 144 South St, Medfield, MA 02052 (hand deliveries not accepted).
- The winner will be selected solely at the discretion of the CRDA Board. Chief factors in deciding the winner will include (but are not limited to): the essay itself, along with the educational benefits expressed, sportsmanship, and volunteering.
- CRDA officers and Sage Farm employees are excluded from applying for the Scholarship.
- Scholarship winners will not be eligible to receive a repeat scholarship two years in a row. Winners will be eligible to apply in subsequent years only if they have moved up at least one level, unless they are already competing at the FEI levels.
- The winner will be announced and presented with a scholarship check at the Year End Banquet on 11/17/2018. If the winner is not present, the award will be mailed to them.
- The winner will be required to provide a 500 word article about their experiences using the scholarship money by 10/1/19. The letter will be published on the CRDA site to inspire next year's applicants!