

**WDCTA-Southwest Chapter
Educational Scholarship**
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Scholarship Committee

1. Membership shall be comprised of the chapter officers who shall report at the chapter meeting of any scholarship applications and their subsequent recommendations for approval or denial. The chapter members present shall vote on approval or denial of the application, including the scholarship amount approved.
2. The Scholarship Committee shall recommend the amount to be held in the Scholarship Fund at the December meeting for the following year. The Scholarship Fund may be allotted by quarters (January – March; April – June; July – September; October – December). The chapter members present at the meeting shall approve or amend the amount recommended.
3. At any time during the year, additional monies could be designated for the Scholarship Fund, pending approval by the chapter. (If money is donated or raised specifically for the Scholarship Fund, a chapter vote is not required.)

Application Eligibility

1. Any Southwest Chapter member who has been a member for at least two full membership years and completed at least 10 hours of volunteer service is eligible for the scholarship. Considerations to be weighed in awarding the scholarship include:
 - a. Previous riding experience
 - b. Past and current contributions to the Southwest Chapter (or in the case of a “transfer” membership, contributions to the former WDCTA chapter).
2. No persons will be ineligible to receive a scholarship based on board or committee memberships; however, they must abstain from voting during any of the application process.
3. Only any one Southwest Chapter scholarship per person per year may be received.

Scholarship Requirements

1. The scholarship may be used for any clinic, forum or other activity sponsored or endorsed by WDCTA, USCTA, USDF, USET, USEF, or activities as approved by the chapter. This does not include show entry fees of any kind.
2. The scholarships are available for TUITION ONLY. No transportation, stabling or personal costs are to be included.
3. Because the applications are reviewed at the chapter meetings, it is in the applicant's best interest to apply as early as possible. Refunding for a previously attended clinic, forum or activity will not occur.
4. If a clinic is filled or cancelled after processing the application, the scholarship monies must be returned to the Southwest chapter.

5. Recipients must present proof that the clinic, forum or activity was attended.
6. Within twelve months of receiving the scholarship, all recipients will be required to complete one of the following:

Volunteer in some manner to benefit the Southwest chapter (i.e. at a chapter-sponsored show, clinic or other activity) AND EITHER

a. Write an article for the WDCTA newsletter, The Equester

OR

b. Make a presentation at a Southwest chapter meeting

Scholarship Amount

1. The dollar amount of the scholarship award is not to exceed \$300 per scholarship.
2. Scholarship application forms are available from the Southwest chapter president.