Dear South Dakota High School Rodeo Graduating Seniors,

Your Senior Year is full of so many "lasts", but also many "firsts" as you look forward to life after High School. This is the first year you'll be able to apply for Scholarships through the National High School Rodeo Association as well as the South Dakota High School Rodeo Association and a whole host of other folks that want to support you as you pursue an advanced education.

This year there is right around \$40,000 in money available to those attending any training past high school. I would suggest EVERY SENIOR apply. The applications are pretty straight-forward and won't take you a terrible amount of time. You'll be able to find them on the sdhsra.com website under Forms>Scholarships.

Interviews for the National High School Rodeo Merit Scholarships, South Dakota High School Rodeo Association, Western South Dakota Buckaroo and Western Legacy Foundation Scholarships will be held during the SDHSRA Finals. Those completing the interviews are there to help you achieve your goals and see the interviews as a way to get to know you, not grill you on your grade point and activities. You must first APPLY before you can interview.

Scholarships and Due Dates:

- Marcie Locken Memorial Scholarship \$1000.00 Scholarship Due April 30, 2024
- Michael Glynn Memorial Rodeo Scholarship (2) \$1000.00 Scholarships Due May 1, 2024
- NHSRA Merit Scholarships for South Dakota (10) \$1000.00 Scholarships Due May 7, 2024
- Bill Cross Memorial Past Presidents Scholarship \$3500.00 Scholarship Due May 28, 2024
- Western SD Buckaroos Scholarships Due May 28, 2024
 - o (6) \$1500.00 & (1) \$2000.00 Scholarships
 - (1) \$1000.00 Individual Family Scholarship (does not require HS or College rodeo participation)
- Western Legacy Foundation Scholarships (2) \$2000.00 Scholarships- Due May 28, 2024
 o included in the SDHSRA and Western SD Buckaroo scholarship application
- SDHSRA Scholarships, awarding scholarships to one boy/one girl in each region \$4000.00 Total
 - Included in the SDHSRA/Western SD Buckaroo scholarship application **Due May 28, 2024**
- Military Rodeo Cowboy Hall of Fame \$500 \$2500 Scholarships Due May 31, 2024
 - Parent or Grandparent must have served in the Armed Forces
 - https://mrchof.com/scholarships
- K & H Rodeo Company Scholarship Program (2) \$1250 Scholarships Due June 1, 2024
 https://watertownrodeo.com/scholarships
- Clark County Horsemens' Scholarships (2) \$500 Scholarships (1 Boy, 1 Girl) Due July 6, 2024
- HD Hogan Memorial Scholarship for college rodeo participants \$1000 Due October 1, 2024

 <u>https://www.hdhoganfoundation.org/scholarships</u>
- Quanta Services High School Rodeo Team \$1500 Scholarship/\$1000 Stipend. Due April 15, 2024

 <u>https://quantaservices.com/hs-rodeo</u>
- Jim & Reyna Martin SDSU New Team Member Scholarships (2) \$2000 Scholarships.
 - Contact SDSU Rodeo Coach Ron Skovly for details. 605-690-1359 or <u>ronald.skovly@sdstate.edu</u>
- Vicki Young Memorial Scholarship For NW Region Seniors. Apply at Buffalo Regional Rodeo. Scholarships awarded at Dupree Regional Rodeo.

Some applications cover several scholarships. For example, the Western SD Buckaroos, SDHSRA & Western Legacy Foundation are all on one application.

Updates will be posted to the SDHSRA website. Please be sure to check back often to see if anything new has been added.

We will once again be honoring the outgoing Seniors at the South Dakota State High School Rodeo Finals before the Short Go on Saturday, June 15, 2024. Please follow the South Dakota High School Rodeo Facebook page for more information regarding photos to be used on the big screen during the *Galloping Grads Grand Entry*.

Good luck and remember to take a few moments to appreciate these last few months of your Senior Year. Adulthood comes soon enough. Enjoy the last days with your friends and classmates.

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