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**AMERICAN RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION, INC
YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION**

**PO Box 5667
Bloomington, IL 61702**

PROCEDURES FOR YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

1. All applications must be submitted on forms obtained from the ARBA office, District Director, ARBA website or Scholarship committee member. Computer forms will not be accepted unless in original format.
Use the spaces provided only.
2. All applicants must have held continuous ARBA membership for at least three (3) years preceding application for scholarship.
3. Applicants must be a graduating senior to be eligible for consideration.
4. Applicants must have completed high school with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (un-weighted) on a grade scale of 4.00, and be in the top 50% of graduating class.
5. Applicants may be currently enrolled in their first year of advanced education.
6. Home schooled applicants are eligible, but must submit SAT or ACT scores, and a letter of recommendation from a person outside of the immediate family.
7. All applications must include a complete High School transcript, plus a transcript of any advanced education.
8. Scholarship proceeds may be used to further education at any accredited four (4) year college, two (2) year college, vocational, or technical school.
9. Per Article III (I) in the By-laws of the ARBA Constitution: "Scholarships will be paid to the member upon receipt of confirmation of college enrollment."
10. A member of the immediate family of any ARBA Youth Scholarship Committee member will be eligible to apply, but the committee member will not be able to submit scoring information for that year.
11. APPLICATIONS must not exceed the space provided with a maximum of 15 pages.
12. All applications must be sent to the ARBA office by **July 31st** of application year.

NOTE: The ARBA Youth Scholarship Committee applications are only accepted for scoring at the completion of your Senior Year of High School. For example, if you are graduating in 2011, then this is the year you need to apply. If you don't graduate until 2012, or graduated in a previous year, your application will not be considered.

Received: _____

**APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP
AMERICAN RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION
PO Box 5667
Bloomington, Illinois 61702**

Type or print in black ink all information requested. This original form must be submitted to the above address. Additional sheets may be used if necessary. To be considered for an award, this application must be postmarked by July 31st.

I hereby apply for a scholarship under the Scholarship Program Rules and submit the following information.

Name _____
Last First Middle

Address _____
Street Address

City State Zip code

Phone # _____ **E-mail** _____

Birth date _____
Month Day Year

Date of High School Graduation _____

I have held continuous membership in the American Rabbit Breeders Association since _____.
Month/Year

District # _____ **Verified by** _____ **ARBA Office**

Section 1 “About Me” ~ 150 Points
Non Rabbit/Cavy Activities & Recognitions

1. List all High Schools and other secondary schools attended:

Important: If you have earned credits in High School other than the one you are now attending (or last attended), be sure that all grades and credits earned are included in your High School record to be furnished by your last principal on the High School data form

2. Academic Achievements and Accomplishments: List in order of importance.
***An accomplishment is something you have done, although an award may or may not have been bestowed upon you.**

Academic Achievements and Accomplishments	Year of Achievement or Award

3. Describe the reasons you value your top-ranked achievement.

4. High School Extracurricular activities such as class or other school offices held, band, clubs, athletics, drama, school publications, honor societies, etc. In order of Importance. Designate High School year of each activity as follows: Grade 9, 10, 11, or 12th.

- 5. Community Activities** unrelated to *schooling or your rabbit hobby*. Specify the most Significant volunteer; community organizations out-of-school activities and position(s) attained, i.e. Boy/Girl Scout, church organizations, etc. Designate in right hand column the High School year in which you participated in each activity as follows: Grade 9, 10, 11, 12: ***List in order of importance to you.

Organization	Leadership Position(s) or Duties	Average hours spent per month	Year(s)

- 6. Describe the reasons you value your top-ranked community organization.**

- 7. Have you received any special recognition in connection with your community activities or hobbies?**

Community Organization	Award/Year received

8. Please describe your work activities during your High School years, either for your family, at home or for outside employers. *List most recent first*****

Employer Name City and State	Job Title/Duties	Paid outside employer, volunteer, or family chores

9. List the titles and authors of some of the books you have read during the past Year.

Book	Author	Book	Author

10. Explain in writing “Why I want to continue my education”. Be sure to include your educational objectives, field of endeavor, and reasons you have decided on these choices. Use a lined sheet of paper, if handwritten.

SECTION 2 ~ 150 Points
Rabbit/Cavy Project Information

Answer the following questions completely and return this form with your
APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP

1. **What breeds or rabbits/cavies do you raise?** (Include past, present and the number of years).

2. **How many animals do you maintain on average?** _____

If more than one breed, average per breed? _____

3. **Do you attend Rabbit/Cavy shows?** _____ (Yes or No)

If so, average per year? _____

4. **What have been the most important awards you have won with your animals during the past 5 years?** ****List in order of importance****

Award/Breed	Show	Month/Year

5. **Have you taken your rabbits/cavies places other than shows to promote them?**

_____ (Yes or No). If yes, where and why?

6. Are you a member of any local 4-H, Local, State or National Rabbit or Cavy Group?

Please List:

Club Name	Leadership Postions	# of Years

7. Have you won any important awards yourself for participation in a rabbit/Cavy Project in the past 5 years? If so, please list:

Award	Club presenting Award or level (Local, State, National)	Year(s)

8. What benefits have you acquired as a result of your ARBA and Club Membership?

9. It's around Easter and you've just been invited to appear on live TV to Promote rabbits/cavies. What points would you want to get across to the public?

10. Has anyone mentored you in the rabbit/cavy industry? _____

Yes or No

If so, what impact has it made on you?

11. Explain in writing "*What about the Rabbit Industry*". Be sure to include Your thoughts on where you see the industry going, suggestions to the ARBA Board of Directors to generate more interest, promote, and the educational benefits of being a part of the rabbit/cavy industry.

Certification

I have personally delivered my “High School Data Form” (Section 3 of this application) to my High School Principal or designate official. I certify that to my knowledge, all statements contained in this application are true and correct. I have read the procedures for youth scholarship applicants issued by ARBA, and I believe myself eligible to apply for a scholarship under the provision s and conditions contained therein. I understand that to be eligible for consideration for a scholarship I must graduate from High School this year and be attending an advanced education school.

Signed _____

Date _____

This completed application must be submitted to the American Rabbit Breeders Association Youth Scholarship Foundation no later than **July 31st.**

**High School Data Form
American Rabbit Breeders Association
Youth Scholarship Foundation
P.O. Box 5667
Bloomington, Illinois 61702**

Section 3 ~ 100 Points

As an applicant for an American Rabbit Breeders Association Scholarship, I hereby request that you, as my High School Principal or designated official, fill out this form and mail it in accordance with the directions given below.

Signature of Applicant

Date

The following information is to be filled out by the High School principal (or designated official) and mailed to the above address. **To be considered for an award, this application must be postmarked by July 31st.**

Registered Name of Applicant _____
Last First Middle

Address of Applicant _____
City State Zip

Name of High School _____

Address of High School _____
Street Address or P.O. Box

City State Zip

Entrance date of applicant to this High School: Month _____ Year _____

This applicant will/did graduate in: Month_____Year_____

Diploma Type _____ (Technical, Academic honors or General)

**No application will be considered if applicant has not graduated.*

To be eligible for an ARBA Scholarship, this applicant must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.00 or higher on a grade scale of 0.00 to 4.00, and be in the top 50% of graduating class.

Is this applicant eligible under these provisions? Yes_____ No_____

*****Must be in 4 Point Scale, Please make conversions*** GPA _____**

How many students are/were enrolled in applicant's graduating class? _____

Please indicate where this student would/did rank in the graduating class. _____

Has the applicant show an outstanding scholastic aptitude of any kind?

Yes_____ No_____

If yes, please explain:

Has the applicant show an outstanding scholastic aptitude of any kind?

Yes_____ No_____

If yes, please explain: _____

Has the applicant shown any serious shortcomings of any kind, including disciplinary, attendance, social problems, scholastic, or otherwise?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain _____

Specify what part the applicant has played in High School activities, such as class office(s) held, other school offices held, band, orchestra, athletics, drama, oratory, school publication, honor society, etc. Designate in right hand column the High School year in which the applicant participated in each activity as follows: Grade 9, 10, 11, 12. Also, please specify any work experience in which the applicant has been involved.

Activity Class or Extracurricular Position Year

Please submit all available test scores of scholastic aptitude.

(Required of all home schooled applicants)

	Number Score	Percentile	Number Score	Percentile
SAT			ACT	
Verbal	_____	_____	_____	_____
Math	_____	_____	_____	_____
English	_____	_____	_____	_____

Please provide an official High school transcript through Grade 12 for this applicant.

Signature and title of person filling out application

Signature of Principal **Date:** _____

Print or Type name of Principal

***Home schooled students must have a letter of recommendation from a person outside the immediate family attached to this transcript.**