



2021 WORTH THE TRUST AMATEUR EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Worth the Trust Scholarship is a fund of \$4,000 to be awarded annually to those who have declared Amateur** Status with the USEA and are 16 or older as of January 1 of the scholarship year. Funds are to be used for any eventing education purpose.*

***Denotes with the approval of the scholarship panel. **Per the USEF Rules For Eventing, a rider must hold amateur status as defined under GR1306, when applying and must maintain it for the entire year of the grant. If a rider accepts payment or engages in activities stated under Article GR1306.4, they may no longer represent themselves as an amateur. There is no grace period.**

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION: OCTOBER 5, 2020

(Must be postmarked by October 5, 2020 to be eligible; email and fax applications will be accepted. If faxing (703-779-0550) make sure application and essay are legible or they will be ineligible for consideration)

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS: Please read the rules carefully and abide by them when applying. Applications will be ineligible for consideration for any of the following reasons:

- Volunteer hours not signed off by the Volunteer Coordinator
- Essays stating intended use of some funds to pay a clinician's expenses
- Essays stating intended use of some funds to pay a local coach who is not ICP Certified or on the USEF CCI3*-L Eligible Athletes List.
- Essays/applications faxed that are not legible.

CRITERIA:

- Applicant must be between 16 years of age or older as of January 1 of the scholarship year and a current USEA member in good standing.
- Applicant should also be a member of their local eventing club or association.
- Applicant must also contribute a minimum of ten (10) hours volunteer work to either a national or local charitable organization such as Riding for the Handicapped, Horses in the Hood, any minority/disadvantaged group, local Eventing Association or horse trials, etc.
- All Volunteer hours must be performed in the 2020 calendar year and must be signed off by the Volunteer Coordinator. Unsigned hours will not be counted and application will be disqualified. You may submit volunteer hours from the Volunteer Incentive Program dashboard. Please include volunteer coordinator's contact information if not submitting hours through the Volunteer Incentive Program Dashboard.
- Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen.
- Applicant must declare Amateur** status with the USEA (Amateur** status must be declared at the time of membership)

HOW TO APPLY: Please write an essay explaining:

- Why this scholarship is important to you.
- How you intend to use the funds.
- What your ultimate goals are.
- Essays must include financial need.
- Please fill out the application form and send it along with your volunteer hours making sure that the work coordinator signs off on the hours.

USE OF FUNDS:

- Recipient must keep an accounting journal/log of their expenses including receipts for all lessons, clinics, etc. This journal must be submitted at the same time the article and pictures for *Eventing USA* are sent to the USEA office.
- Article for *Eventing USA* magazine must be ready for publication for the 2022 May/June issue. Deadline for article April 1, 2022.
- Funds are to be used for learning to officiate, working with a Course Designer, Technical Delegate, Judge, Veterinarian, Organizer, etc* Additionally, clinics, working student, private or group instruction with an instructor who is a current, or former member of the USEF CCI3*-L Eligible Athlete, or a Level I-Novice or higher USEA ICP Certified Instructor are acceptable uses.
- Funds cannot be used for pure dressage or pure show jumping instruction without submitting the name of the Instructor and their qualifications.
- Funds cannot be used for competition purposes.
- Funds must be used during a single calendar year.
- All expenses should be justified in writing (bills, receipts, etc.).
- Any monies used in an inappropriate manner must be repaid to the Scholarship.

SELECTION:

- Entries are to be judged by a USEA panel and Joan Iversen Goswell.
- The judges will be familiar with eventing but not necessarily a competitor, rider, or instructor.
- A judge cannot be a relative of the applicant or involved with the applicant as an instructor or coach.
- The recipient will be awarded a check and certificate during the Awards Dinner in December at the 2020 USEA Annual Meeting & Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

RECIPIENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

- The recipient **must keep a record or a journal** of their activity and from this share their experience with other riders in the form of an article for *Eventing USA* magazine. Deadline for article April 1, 2022.



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Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

USEA #: _____ Area: _____ Local Eventing Association: _____

All applicants are required to write a brief essay. On a separate page please state why this scholarship is important to you, your ultimate goal, and how you intend to use the funds. Essays must include financial need.

Volunteer hours must be signed off by the Volunteer Coordinator. Unsigned hours will not be counted and application will be disqualified. You may submit volunteer hours from the Volunteer Incentive Program dashboard.

PLEASE RECORD YOUR VOLUNTEER WORK HOURS HERE:

WHAT GROUP	VOLUNTEER HOURS	WORK COORDINATOR SIGNATURE

AGREEMENT FOR USE OF WORTH THE TRUST SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

PLEASE INITIAL EACH LINE AND SIGN AGREEMENT. UNSIGNED AGREEMENTS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

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_____ I agree to use the Worth The Trust Educational Scholarship funds for learning to officiate, working with a Course Designer, Technical Delegate, Judge, Veterinarian, etc*. Clinics, working student, private or group instruction with an instructor who is a current, or former member of the USEF CCI3*-L Eligible Athlete, or a Level I-Novice or higher USEA ICP Certified Instructor are acceptable uses.

_____ I agree to use all of the scholarship money in a single year from the date of the award. Any unused funds will be forfeited.

_____ I agree to justify all expenses (bills, receipts, etc.) in writing by keeping an accounting journal/log, which will be submitted to the USEA with my article and photos for *Eventing USA* magazine.

_____ I agree to keep a record of my experiences, and from this write an article for *Eventing USA* magazine. This article and photos will be ready for publication in the May/June 2022 issue of *Eventing USA*. Deadline for article April 1, 2022.

_____ If any monies are used in an inappropriate manner, I agree to repay that sum of money to the Worth The Trust Educational Scholarship. Also, if all terms of the above agreement are not met, I agree to repay the sum awarded to me (\$4,000.00) to the Scholarship.

_____ I agree that I have declared Amateur** status with the USEA.

Signature of Recipient: _____ Date: _____

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Please complete and mail, fax or e-mail form to: USEA, 525 Old Waterford Rd. NW, Leesburg, VA 20176
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