

UNITED STATES AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD FOUNDATION

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APPLICATION FOR JUNIOR SHOWMAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Board of Directors of the United States Australian Shepherd Foundation is pleased to provide this application for a Junior Showmanship Scholarship for academic year 2023-2024. The amount of the Award is \$1,000.00.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident
2. Recipient must be a student/accepted to a minimum 2 year Associate Degree Program at an accredited institution

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA:

- a. Applicant must be between the ages of 17 and 21.
- b. Applicant must document plans to attend, or proof of acceptance or attending, a higher education institution.
- c. Applicant must be a member, in good standing, of the USASA Junior program for a minimum of three (3) years.
- d. Applicant's academic achievement and potential.
- e. Applicant must evidence interest and participation in showing Australian Shepherds by any of the following:
 1. Competing in a minimum of 10 AKC Junior Showmanship events with an Australian Shepherd within the last 2 years.
 2. Competing in a minimum of 10 AKC dog shows within the past 2 years showing an Australian Shepherd in either breed or a performance competition.
 3. Competing in a combination of AKC Junior Showmanship and dog show breed or performance competition to add up to a minimum of 10 events within the past 2 years.
- f. Applicant must document participation in a manner, which can be confirmed with AKC records.
- g. Applicant should include information of additional activities with an Australian Shepherd, i.e., regional club, therapy, rescue, education, etc. This information will be used in deliberation process but is not a requirement to qualify for the award.
- h. Applicant must submit an essay describing his/her experience with, and interest in Australian Shepherds and plans for future involvement with the breed.
- i. Applicant must apply on an official USASF application form. Applicant is only eligible to awarded one scholarship.
- j. Scholarship must be paid out to institution within 1 year of being awarded.

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Application and requested information must be postmarked or received via email by 12/29/2023.

Mail to:

Nancy Gaffney, Trustee
3 Dow Lane
Kensington, NH 03833
Email application to:
gaff2pn2@aol.com

Please complete the following application (please use as many additional sheets of paper as needed):

1. Name: _____

2. Home Address: _____

3. Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

4. Place of Birth: _____ Date of Birth: _____

5. High School or current institution you are attending: _____

6. Anticipated date of graduation: _____

7. List significant academic achievements: _____

8. Have you ever been on probation, suspended or dismissed from school/college?

Yes _____ NO _____ If yes, explain (on separate sheet)

9. Have you ever been suspended or investigated by the AKC or any Regional Club?

Yes _____ NO _____ If yes, explain (on separate sheet)

10. List participation in AKC shows with an Australian Shepherd in the past 2 years. Provide show name, date, location, as well as any awards received:

11. List significant accomplishments, including titles earned by dogs you have handled or Junior Showmanship wins:

12. List any other activities in which you participate with an Australian Shepherd:

13. List extracurricular activities: _____

14. To which college or school have you been accepted. _____

15. On a separate sheet of paper, please write a 500 minimum word essay describing your experiences with, and interest in Australian Shepherds and plans for future involvement with the breed.

16. Attach a copy of your official transcript showing GPA from current school.

I certify that I have truthfully and accurately answered the above questions to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I understand any false information will be grounds for rejection of my application and subsequent termination of my scholarship. Furthermore, I authorize the United States Shepherd Foundation to communicate with the financial aid officer or counselor, if necessary, with regard to my application. If additional information or documentation is required of me, I shall be please to furnish it.

I also give permission to the USASF to publish information about my achievements and the institute of higher education I will be attending in a Journal ad and on the USASF website. All other information will remain confidential.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____