



## 2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES

### **Amount of Scholarship Award:**

Up to four \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded.

### **Eligibility:**

This scholarship is open to high school seniors who are San Luis Obispo County residents. At the time of application, an applicant must be enrolled in, or accepted to attend as a full-time student, an accredited college or university, or a full-time industrial arts or technical training institution to study agriculture, industrial arts or engineering, or public safety. Preference will be given to those students with an articulated interest or history of involvement in the sport of rodeo, in addition to the formal coursework outlined above.

### **Application Process:**

Applications will be accepted between February 1, 2026 and March 31, 2026. All materials, including references letters and transcripts, must be postmarked via US Mail or submitted via email/online by March 31, 2026 to be considered. Candidates will be notified of the Committee's decision by April 15, 2026. The application timeline is as follows:

- 1.) Application Window: February 1, 2026 to March 31, 2026.
- 2.) Winner Notification: April 15, 2026.
- 3.) Recognition at Sheriff's Rodeo: May 9, 2026.

The complete application must consist of the following:

- 1.) The application form (four pages).
- 2.) An official transcript from high school(s) attended for all work through December 31, 2025.
- 3.) Three letters of recommendation.

All materials should be submitted to the following US Mail address or email address:

Sheriff's Rodeo Foundation  
ATTN: Scholarship Committee  
630 Quintana Rd. #309.  
Morro Bay, CA 93442  
[scholarship@slosheriffsrodeo.com](mailto:scholarship@slosheriffsrodeo.com)

If you have questions or problems, contact us via email at: [scholarship@slosheriffsrodeo.com](mailto:scholarship@slosheriffsrodeo.com)



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**All the following must be submitted prior to the deadline.**

- 1.) This application.
- 2.) An official transcript from high schools, vocational schools, and colleges (as applicable) attended for all work through prior year (arrange to be sent directly to SLO Sheriff's Rodeo via US Mail or email).
- 3.) Three letters of recommendation (arrange to be sent directly to SLO Sheriff's Rodeo via US Mail or email).

Please type or print the following information, attaching additional sheets if more space is needed.

## A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

First Middle Last

**HOME ADDRESS:**

Street

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City, State, Zip

## CONTACT INFO:

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**Telephone Number**

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**E-Mail Address**

## Personal Website

Facebook/Instagram/Twitter/YouTube

## **B. EDUCATION**

Complete all applicable sections.

Include High School(s), Vocational/Industrial Schools, Community Colleges, and Universities.

(Attach additional sheets if needed)

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Present High School Name      Location (City & State)      Dates From/To (Month/Year)

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Previous/Other School #1   Name   Location (City & State)      Dates From/To (Month/Year)

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Previous/Other School #2   Name   Location (City & State)      Dates From/To (Month/Year)

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Current GPA      Expected Date of Graduation      Degree/Certification Goal

Additional Education Information (if needed)

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## **C. SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES AND HONORS**

List any clubs, organizations, sports teams, important committees or other significant organizations or activities in which you participate.

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List honors or special awards you have received in recognition of your professional or community activities.

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## **D. WORK EXPERIENCE (Most Recent First)**

### **CURRENT OR RECENT:**

Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates From/To (Month/Year) \_\_\_\_\_ Title of Position \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of Duties: \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact this employer for information? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you intend to work for your present employer after completion of your studies? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### **PREVIOUS:**

Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates From/To (Month/Year) \_\_\_\_\_ Title of Position \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of Duties: \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact this employer for information? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Work Information (if needed)

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## **E. REFERENCES AND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

Provide the names and addresses of three references who will write letters of recommendation for you. Include one faculty member at the school in which you are currently enrolled and other references of your own choosing. It is your responsibility to obtain the references and request that they submit their letters directly to the SLO Sheriff's Rodeo Scholarship Committee postmarked no later than April 1st.

REFERENCE #1:

Name	Title	School/Organization/Company
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REFERENCE #2:

Name	Title	School/Organization/Company
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REFERENCE #3:

Name	Title	School/Organization/Company
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## **F. NARRATIVE**

Prepare a narrative, not exceeding 1,500 words, on a separate double spaced typewritten sheet with your name at the top on the following topic:

This scholarship is open to students who will be studying agriculture, industrial arts, or public safety. What are your educational goals, and why do you feel called to further your education in that area? What are your career goals? How has our community and/or the sport of rodeo influenced your goals?

I hereby certify that all statements contained in this application are correct and, if selected, I agree to utilize the monies for the purpose stated:

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **SUBMIT APPLICATION, NARRATIVE, TRANSCRIPTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS VIA MAIL OR EMAIL TO:**

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