



## ATTENTION ARHA YOUTH!!!

### YOUTH CHALLENGE DEADLINE: October 1, 2022

The Youth Challenge was established in 2021 by the Youth Committee of the American Ranch Horse Association. The ARHA Youth Committee is committed to giving our youth the opportunity to become great horseman. Our ultimate goal with the Youth Challenge is to create an educational program and experience to help ARHA Youth further and improve their horsemanship skills, equine knowledge and abilities as well as an a to earn some cool prizes and \$\$\$\$. In 2023 because of the generous donations of breeders we are offering Yearlings for the top entries in our Youth Challenge. These Youth will also receive 30 days of free training and mentoring from an ARHA Professionals that has donated their time plus a free stall at the 2023 World Championship Show.

**Who is eligible?** Any ARHA Youth member who has been a member and shown with American Ranch Horse Association for the last two years, they must turn 14 by January 1, 2023 and will not turn 19 before January 1, 2023.

**How do I apply?** Applications can be found online; you must complete the application submit an essay and the \$100 application fee to the ARHA Office.

**What is the Deadline?** All essays, applications, and fees must be in the ARHA Office by October 1, 2022. Please send to the address below. Incomplete applications will be Disqualified.

**How many winners?** The number of winners is based on how many colts have been donated. The top participants will be chosen based off the Applications, an Essay and interview. The written Essay topic is: "What Winning A Ranch Horse Means To Me". The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner will get first choice of horse, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner will get second choice of horse, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner will get the third horse, etc. In 2022 we awarded 5 colts. Each winner will receive a custom ARHYA Journal to track and record their progress!

**Requirements:** The winning Youth Participants will be required to bring these horses to the 2023 World Show and compete in 2 classes (Yearling In-Hand Trail and Grooming/Fitting) and throughout this 6 month (February-July) program, keep the provided record book, report monthly check ins with ARHA & Breeders, and participate in Interviews

\*\*\* For Youth Challenge Application Go to: [AmericanRanchHorse.net](http://AmericanRanchHorse.net). The winning participants will be announced at the 2023 ARHA Awards Banquet held on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and the winners will be responsible for picking up their horses with in 30 days of being chosen.

**Let's talk about prizes awarded at the End of this project!** The Youth Participants will be scored on the following: 25% on the Essay and Application, and phone interview; 25% on Record Keeping and 2<sup>nd</sup> Interview at World Show; 25 % condition of the horse; 25% on the points earned from the placings at the World Show. There will be numerous prizes and awards plus a cash prize of \$700 for 1<sup>st</sup> place, \$500 for 2<sup>nd</sup> place and \$300 for 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

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