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The New Mexico Rodeo Council (NMRC) will again offer a rodeo scholarship for Fall 2009/Spring 2010. All qualifying college rodeo athletes who apply will be eligible. This information has been prepared as an invitation to apply for the available scholarship funds.

The New Mexico Rodeo Council has set specific guidelines for this year's application process and would like to detail them here to avoid confusion. These guidelines will be followed for everyone and all scholarship applicants **MUST** comply. **There will be no exceptions.**

Application deadline is set for July 31, 2009.

All applications must be sent **CERTIFIED MAIL** and postmarked by July 31, 2009 to be considered. Only complete application packets will be reviewed.

Send applications to: **Lillian Worthen**  
**711 East Hill Ave**  
**Gallup, N. M. 87301**

**Qualifications for the New Mexico Rodeo Council Scholarship:**

**College Applicants:**

- Maintain fulltime enrollment status
- 2.5 GPA
- Current member of college rodeo team
- Current Member in Good Standing in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association
- Active participation in NIRA sanctioned rodeo events

**High School Senior Applicants:**

- 2.5 GPA
- Verification of intent to attend a New Mexico university
- Membership in good standing in the New Mexico High School Rodeo Association **or any other equine association**
- High School Diploma
- Verification of active participation in NMHSRA or any other equine association

**Complete application packets must include:**

- A complete NMRC Scholarship Application 2009 form
- The required essay titled “Describe your chosen career path and who or what has influenced you in that decision”
- Copy of current Equine Association membership card: NIRA, NMHSRA, **or any other equine association** (2009-10)
- **Official sealed transcripts** including final grades from Spring 2009
- Acceptance letter from the New Mexico college or university you plan to attend (high school seniors)
- Signature and date required

The Rodeo Council has attempted to reach any student who may qualify for the scholarship. If anyone who receives this invitation to apply is aware of someone who has not received this information, please pass on the contact information listed below.

<http://www.newmexicorodeo.com/Scholarship>

There will be no exceptions to the guidelines stated above. This scholarship, as any scholarship, should be considered an honor and may help reduce additional education expenses and should be treated professionally. Keep in mind the application process takes place annually but the funds are disbursed each semester. This means that qualifications are verified at the university level each semester before funds are disbursed.