

Horse Council BC High School Equestrian Awards Program

The Premise: To reward high school students who participate in Equestrian Sports outside of school and to recognize their participation.

- Promote and reward physical activity after school and during the summer
- Promote and reward students for competition outside of school programs
- Promote and reward active volunteerism, and nurture a new generation of volunteers
- Encourage academic excellence

Eligibility:

- Rider must attend a BC High School or be home schooled in a accredited program
- Rider must be a current HCBC member
- One horse and rider combination will be considered, the horse can be owned or borrowed by the athlete
- Applications and logbooks are available from HCBC
- Administration fee of \$20.00 plus HST will be set for each Rider/Horse combination each year to be submitted with log book application
- All rewards to be qualified for in one set calendar year, September to September, no hours or competitions are carried over.
- Riders must register each year for the program

Reward Category - Rewards are based on participation at competitions and not on results

- Equestrian Excellence badge – Rider completes 20 hours of EC Certified coached riding **plus**
 - Competes at 4 competitions that are sanctioned by their governing body (EC, HCBC, Breed, Discipline)
 - If the discipline does not have an EC Coaching stream consideration will be given on a case by case basis.

Additional Reward categories (given to Riders who have achieved excellence status):

- Volunteer achievement – Rider achieves the above badges and volunteers a minimum of 10 hours at a club event or competition (shows, camps, lessons)
- Academic achievement – achieve the above badge plus Rider achieves at least 2 “A”’s on final School report card

Administration:

- Log Books will be given to allow the rider to log the hours and competitions
- Log Books must be signed by the competition secretary for competition confirmation
- Log books to be signed by the organization the athlete volunteers for
- Photocopy of the students High School Transcript must be sent in with log book for the academic excellence award.
- Log Books must be signed by the Coach for Rider’s coached hour requirement
- For the Coach to be recognized the student must have them named in their log book
- After the September 30th of the calendar year all logbooks are to be sent to HCBC awards will be calculated and presented at the Awards Banquet or by mail. The deadline for submitting log books is October 15th.

Awards:

- One large badge indicating High School Equestrian Achievement award
- Additional badges to go with the badge for the Volunteer and Academic excellence
- All reward winners will be announced in Notes from the Office, the HCBC Website and given the opportunity to pick up their award at the HCBC award banquet.

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