



2021
Convention

2021 WSQHYA Convention Agenda

- ***Welcome & Opening Comments***
- ***Ice Breaker***
- ***Packet Overview***
- ***Officer Elections***
- ***Guest Speakers***
- ***Committees***
- ***YES***
- ***Awards***
- ***MISC***

2021 WSQHYA Important dates and deadlines

Feb 6-7:	WSQHA Trainer Invitational
Feb 15:	Youth World Show letter of intent due
Mar 25-28:	WSQHA No Silver, No Sequins
April 1:	YES registration due to AQHA, 5/1 final deadline for all attendees
May 27-30:	WSQHA Trophy Circuit
June 1:	Youth world show sponsorship/fundraising money due
June 1:	Youth World Show entries and release forms due
June 15:	2020 Youth World Show entry deadline
July 12-14:	Youth Excellence Seminar with AQHA, Amarillo, TX
July 28 – Aug 8:	Youth World Show in Oklahoma City, OK & Youth Level One Show
Aug 12-15:	WSQHA Fiesta Circuit
Sept 9-12:	WSQHA NW Emerald & Masters Futurity
Sept 15:	Youth committee hours due
October 1:	3 meetings attended (in person or via conference call)
Convention 2021:	(TBD)

2021 Youth Meetings

In person meetings will be held 30min. after the last youth class on Saturday afternoons

Jan 23:	CONVENTION
Feb 2:	Conf Call NEW Board only (introduction/bylaw) 7pm
Feb 6:	WSQHA Trainer Invitational (webcast also)
Mar 27:	WSQHYA No Silver, No Sequins Show
May 4:	Board/Committee Conference Call 7pm
May 29:	Trophy Circuit (Youth World Team meeting to follow general meeting)
June 12:	Second Youth World Team Meeting dinner Monroe, WA TBD IF ALLOWED
July 15:	Youth World Show Team Call
Aug 14:	WSQHA Fiesta Circuit
Sept 11:	NW Emerald
Oct 12:	Conference Call Board and all Youth (if needed)
Nov 18:	Conference Call all Youth (if needed)
Dec 14:	Board/Committee Conf Call (Convention Planning) TBD

2021 Youth Fundraisers/Activities

Feb-Sept	Ongoing Raffle Fundraiser and monthly drawings
May 27-30:	Trophy Circuit WSQHYA Youth World Show Silent Auction
Sept 11:	Raffle Drawing @ NW Emerald

All dates/times may change but proper notice will be given.

2021 Bylaws

ARTICLE I. NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1. The name of this association is and shall remain WASHINGTON STATE QUARTER HORSE YOUTH ASSOCIATION (WSQHYA). This organization shall be a division of the Washington State Quarter Horse Association (WSQHA) and shall operate within the scope of the bylaws, rules, and regulations of the WSQHA and the WSQHYA. The youth membership shall be eligible for membership in the American Quarter Horse Youth Association (AQHYA).

Section 2. The WSQHYA, while operating within the scope of the bylaws, rules, and regulations of WSQHA, shall have their own youth bylaws, rules, and regulations specifically designed for the operation of the business of the youth organization.

Section 3. The objects and purpose of the WSQHYA:

- A. To improve and promote the American Quarter Horse breed.
- B. To improve and develop the capacities of youth, both individually and through group participation, in the breeding, raising, trail riding, and exhibition of American Quarter Horses.
- C. To develop and improve scholarship, leadership, and community interest and participation of young horse enthusiasts.
- D. To encourage high moral character, integrity, sportsmanship, and clean living among its members.
- E. To establish a means whereby youth members may work in conjunction with the WSQHA and the AQHYA.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Voting member: Any youth 18 years of age and under, as defined by AQHA, and actively interested in the American Quarter Horse is eligible to become a voting member.

Section 2. Youth member: Any person actively interested in the American Quarter Horse who is not more than 18 years of age on January 1 of that membership year is eligible to become a member of this association.

Section 3. Voting privileges: Members in good standing shall have the privilege of voting at WSQHYA meetings and elections. Members who are delinquent by reason of non-payment of dues shall not be entitled to vote while such delinquency continues.

ARTICLE III. FEES AND DUES

Section 1. Membership fees shall be assessed through the WSQHA for divisions including the WSQHYA. Points for year-end awards, WSQHYA World Team, and NYATT team qualification shall accumulate only after membership dues are paid in full as required by WSQHA.

Membership fees for WSQHYA are determined by the WSQHA Bylaws and Standing rules.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Section 1. Annual Meeting: There shall be an annual meeting of the association for the nomination of officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before it. This meeting shall be held in conjunction with the convention and annual meeting of the WSQHA.

Section 2. Executive Office Meetings: Shall be held in conjunction with the WSQHYA meetings and/or any scheduled membership meeting. Special meetings of the Executive Officers may also be held at any time by the common consent of all members of the Executive Board.

Section 3. Special Membership Meeting: The president as necessary, in order to conduct the business of the association, may call special meetings.

Section 4. The usual parliamentary rules as laid down in the "Robert's Rules of Order" shall govern all meetings.

Section 5. The executive board, using the schedule of approved Washington State shows, will set meetings annually or as necessary. Most meetings will be held at the shows or via conference call. Notification of meetings will be posted at the show on the WSQHYA Facebook page and/or via email.

ARTICLE V. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Section 1. The youth elected officials of this association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary/treasurer, and Reporter and Co Reporter. The Past President shall have a seat on the Executive Board.

Section 2. Election: The elected officers of the association shall be elected by majority vote at the WSQHA annual convention. To be eligible for office, a youth must have a completed "Officer Letter of Intent" on file with the Youth Advisor by the beginning of the executive nominations at the WSQHA annual convention of the qualifying year. They will also be required to give a short electoral speech to the general WSQHYA membership at the annual WSQHA convention. If a youth is unable to attend the annual WSQHA convention and has provided an "Officer Letter of Intent" to the Youth Advisor by the beginning of the executive nominations, they may have campaign manager present their speech to the general WSQHYA membership. The campaign manager may also run for an office.

Section 3. Term of office: Each elected officer shall take office at the annual WSQHA convention and shall serve for a term of one year and/or until a successor is duly qualified.

Section 4. Elected officers are required to attend all scheduled meetings of the WSQHYA Executive Board and the WSQHYA General Membership. Elected officers having two (2) unexcused absences will result in dismissal from the WSQHYA Executive Board.

Section 5. Elected officers must participate and promote all fundraisers. They must also organize and keep the perpetual officer binders in good order and return them at the annual WSQHA convention that coincides with the end of their term.

Section 6. Should any Executive Officer position remain open after the required election process, the Youth Advisor will have the option to appoint a member to fill the vacancy.

Section 7. A WSQHYA officer is expected to conduct themselves within the objectives and purpose of the WSQHYA. If an officer is unable to meet these standards after two (2) written warnings, they will be dismissed from the Executive Board.

Section 8. Duties of the Officers:

- A. *President:*** The president shall be chief executive officer of the association and shall have general supervision of the affairs of the association and shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the officers. The president shall submit to the members annually a report of the status of the association and its activities during the preceding year at the WSQHYA annual meeting and to the general members of the WSQHA at the annual convention and present year end and special awards. The president shall appoint any and all committees of the association.
- B. *Past President:*** Shall serve as an advisory position to the Executive Board. The Past President shall not carry a vote in Executive Board matters.

- C. Vice President:** The vice president shall, in the absence, disability, and/or inability of the president to perform his/her duties exercise the powers of the president and shall perform such other duties, as the president shall from time to time prescribe.
- D. Secretary/Treasurer:** The secretary shall record or cause to be recorded all votes take and the minutes of all proceedings. The secretary shall have the principle responsibility to give or cause to be given notice of all meetings but shall not lessen the authority of others to give such notice as provided by these bylaws.
- E. Reporter:** The reporter shall keep a record of WSQHYA accomplishments and activities for the year. The reporter will supervise (with assistance from the Youth Advisor) the creation, accuracy, and publication of the youth portion of the WSQHA website and all WSQHYA marketing information. The reporters shall provide articles for publication, take photos to post on WSQHA website and other media available.

ARTICLE VI. WASHINGTON STATE YOUTH DELEGATES

Section 1. The four voting delegates to the AQHYA Convention will be elected as prescribed by the WSQHYA Standing Rules and Regulations.

ARTICLE VII. WASHINGTON STATE YOUTH WORLD TEAM

Section 1. The youth world team members will qualify by accomplishing the requirements set for by AQHYA and/or the WSQHYA Standing Rules and Regulations.

ARTICLE VIII. WASHINGTON STATE CONGRESS NYATT TEAM

Section 1. The Congress NYATT Team from Washington State shall be selected in the same manner as the State Qualifiers for the AQHYA World Show. The split age classes shall take the 14-18 Youth first followed by the 13 and Under Youth. A National Qualifier with no state points may be on the team if there is an open position after all state earners have been contacted. If open positions remain, they may be filled by adjoining states.

Section 2. The classes available for the Congress NYATT Team are Showmanship, Horsemanship, Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Reining, and Barrel Racing. Washington State is allowed two qualifiers per event.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Amendments to the WSQHYA Bylaws may only be made at the annual meeting held in conjunction with the WSQHA annual convention. A majority vote of the membership present shall have the power to implement changes. Proposed amendments to the WSQHYA Bylaws must be in writing by Dec 1 for review by the WSQHA Board.

STANDING RULES AND REGULATIONS

MISSION STATEMENT: *“The mission of the Washington State Quarter Horse Youth Association is to improve and promote the American Quarter Horse. We are committed to seeing young people grow through their accomplishments in competition and recreational riding. Furthermore, we encourage sportsmanship, scholarship, and community outreach that will enable us to learn life skills and prepare us for the future.”*

-Erin Calcagni

THIS IS AN AMENDMENT TO THE WASHINGTON STATE QUARTER HORSE YOUTH ASSOCIATION BYLAWS. THESE STANDING RULES AND REGULATIONS ARE PART OF/ AND ARE INCLUDED IN THE BYLAWS OF THE WASHINGTON STATE QUARTER HORSE YOUTH ASSOCIATION.

SECTION ONE: POINT TABULATION

- A. A. AQHYA points will be awarded according the AQHA/AQHYA system from the current “Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations.” AQHA and AQHYA points will only be awarded to members in good standing. National qualifying points are accumulated from May 1st through April 30th.
- B. B. WSQHHA points will be awarded according to the “Standing Rules and Regulations” of the WSQHA. WSQHHA points will only be awarded to members in good standing. Points to count from date of postmark on envelope of membership application. Washington State Points are accumulated January 1st through December 31st.
- C. C. Points will be tabulated on one horse, one youth basis. A youth may exhibit more than one horse, however the points will be kept separately on each horse.
- D. D. An assessment fee of one dollar (\$1.00) per youth entry will be paid to the WSQHHA from WSQHA for each WSQHA approved quarter horse show.

SECTION TWO: YEAR END AWARDS

All member of the WSQHHA in good standing with this association, all dues and fees having been paid, showing an AQHA registered horse (Walk/Trot able to show any breed), and satisfying AQHA rules set forth for youth competition, are eligible to compete for year end awards. Points to count from date of postmark on WSQHA membership. Points earned prior to WSQHHA membership shall not count towards year end awards. January 1st through December 31st of each year is the qualifying period. Only AQHA shows given WSQHA approval will count for youth year end awards. Youth shall be cautioned that an infraction of any AQHA, WSQHA, or WSQHHA rule, whether or not intentional, may result in disqualification from year end awards, at the discretion of the board of elected WSHQYA officers and/or advisors. Year-end awards will be distributed at the annual WSQHA convention. If an award winner cannot attend the convention, it is the responsibility of the winner to make arrangements with the Youth Advisor to pick them up. WSQHHA cannot be responsible for mailing or delivering awards after the annual convention. Year-end awards not picked up by March 1st will be forfeited.

In addition to all other Standing Rules regarding year end awards, *QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR WSQHHA YEAR END AWARDS* include the following:

- A. Each youth must attend three (3) WSQHHA meetings during the qualifying period. If the WSQHA annual convention is held after November 1st of the qualifying year it will count as one meeting for the following year. If a youth member is unable to attend the three required youth meetings, they also have the option of attending a general WSQHA board meeting. This option is **ONLY** extended to those WSQHA meetings held **BEFORE** the month of October of the qualifying year to fulfill the requirement. The WSQHHA youth member's attendance must be noted by the executive WSQHA secretary.

- B. WSQHHA membership is due January 1st of each year. State points will be tabulated beginning with the day the membership is paid to the WSQHA office, Post mark or Show Secretary. Memberships paid prior to May 31st are required to complete their 125.00 fundraiser, as voted on by the current years officers, by 5 pm on Saturday of the WSQHA May Trophy Circuit. If the designated fundraiser is not completed by deadline the youth is not eligible for year end awards for the points calculated from time of sign up. Those members that sign up after May 31st or did not participate in the fundraiser they must contribute \$125 to qualify for year end awards by the end of the NW Emerald. 11 & Under Walk/Trot category will raise half of the funds required.
- C. Each youth must serve on a committee a minimum of four hours or volunteer at a WSQHA approved show for a minimum of 4 hours. 11 & Under Walk/Trot shall complete 2 hours. Hours must be approved by Committee Chairperson and youth advisor for hours to count. Queen and ambassador hours will not count for committee hours. Committee selection will be done at the annual WSQHA Convention youth meeting. Any youth not in attendance at this meeting will be placed on one of the five committees as needed. It will be the responsibility of the youth not attending convention to contact the youth advisor and/or committee chairs to be placed on a committee. Hours must be completed and approved by September 15th.
- D. A youth class must be offered at least four times (under four separate judges) during the calendar year to qualify for a year end award. In addition, a youth and horse must have a minimum of five points to qualify. The horse must receive a score and/or placing. A score of zero or a disqualification by the judge will not count.

Above requirements MUST be met to qualify for year end awards.

Year end awards will be given to the top two point earners in qualifying classes under the separate youth classifications of Youth-Ages 18 & Under, Youth-13 & Under, and Youth 1418. Year end awards will be given to the top three point earners in qualifying classes under the separate youth classifications of Novice Youth-18 & Under, Rookie, level one Walk/Trot, and 11 & Under Walk/Trot. In the event of a tie, the award will be decided by most wins, most seconds, and most AQHA points in that class, respectively. The actual value will be determined by the Youth Advisor and the awards budget.

11 & Under Walk/Trot participants who have completed all the eligibility requirements who did not receive a top three award in any qualifying class will receive a participation award.

In addition to individual class awards the following categories will also receive year end awards:

- A. Rookie Youth All Around Champion, All Around Reserve Champion, Third Place, Fourth Place, Fifth Place, Sixth – Tenth Place recognition. All and only points received from designated "Rookie" youth classes will be tabulated for this award (no level one or youth classes to count)
- B. Level One All Around Champion, All Around Reserve Champion, Third Place, Fourth Place, Fifth Place, Sixth through Tenth place recognition. All and only points received from designated "Novice" youth classes will be tabulated for this award (no youth classes to count).
- C. Level one Walk/Trot All Around Reserve, Champion & third place.
- D. 13 and Under All Around Champion, Reserve Champion, and Third Place. All points from all youth classes to count. Tabulated on each horse/rider combination.
- E. 14-18 All Around Champion, Reserve Champion, and Third Place. All points from all youth classes to count. Tabulated on each horse/rider combination
- F. Hi Point Youth Western Horse and High Point Youth Hunt Seat Horse. Western Horse and Hunt Seat Horse High Point Reserve. All points received from designated youth classes will be tabulated. The western classes to count will be: Showmanship, Horsemanship, Western Pleasure, Trail, Western Ranch Riding, Reining, Riding, Working Cow, Cutting, Barrels, Poles, and Stakes. The hunt seat classes to count will be: Hunt Seat Equitation, Hunter Under Saddle, Jumping, Hunter Hack, and Equitation over Fences.

A WSQHYA Sportsmanship Award will be given annually. This award is determined by the WSQHYA general membership via email by nominations and voting.

An Advisor's Award will be given by the Youth Advisors at their discretion to a youth who demonstrates the objective, purposes, and mission of WSQHYA.

SECTION THREE: WASHINGTON STATE YOUTH WORLD TEAM

Only members of the AQHYA and the WSQHYA in good standing with these associations, all dues and fees having been paid by May 31st of the qualifying year, owning and showing an AQHA registered horse, and satisfying AQHA rules set forth for youth competition, are eligible to compete for a Washington State World Team position. Points to count from postmark date of WSQHA membership and/or AQHA notification (for National qualifiers). Points earned prior to AQHYA and WSQHYA membership shall not count toward a Washington State World Team position. Youth shall be cautioned that an infraction of any AQHA, WSQHA, or WSQHYA rule, whether or not intentional, may result in removal from the state world team, at the discretion of the board of elected officers and youth advisors.

Every member of the Washington State Youth Team must be a legal resident of the State of Washington or a full time student in residence at a public or private educational institution within the State of Washington for the school year in which the exhibitor wishes to show. A student must apply to WSQHYA for acceptance and must provide verification of the student's attendance at such school and verification of residence for the show year prior to acceptance of application. Also, a non-resident WSQHYA member may be eligible for a position on the Washington State Youth Team if the applicable hardship application/waiver is appropriately filed with, and approved by AQHA. In cases of hardships to out of state affiliates, if the May 10 deadline from AQHA is in effect, WSQHYA will hold hardships to determine if the candidate is eligible to state qualify in their chosen events. If on May 2nd, the candidate is unable or ineligible to participate with Washington in their chosen events, we will release the candidate to hardship into their chosen affiliate. All hardship applicants must comply with all the qualifying rules of WSQHYA.

1. Current WSQHYA member.
2. Participate in youth meetings (in person or via conference call)
3. Submit letter of intent.
4. Committee hours.
5. Participate in Youth Worlds Fundraiser.

All national qualifying youth meeting the requirements set forth by the WSQHYA Bylaws and "Standing Rules and Regulations" will receive an invitation to participate with the Washington State Youth Team at the AQHYA World Show. The AQHYA national qualifying points for the Washington State Youth Team are accumulated from May 1st through April 30th.

Washington State qualifying points for the 2020 Washington State Youth World Team are accumulated from June 1st, 2019 through May 31st, 2020. Points for the Washington State Youth Team may only be accumulated on weekends and holidays (as defined by a "Standing Rule" from the WSQHA.). During the months of July and August, points from all days will count.

CALCULATION OF POINTS: Points will be awarded as determined by the Washington State Quarter Horse Association Bylaws and are acquired pursuant to the straight 9-8-7-65-4-3-2-1 basis plus AQHA points earned (refer to AQHA official handbook of rules and regulations). The number of points received per judge, will be considered a score upon which the highest eight scores received during the state qualifying period will determine the state world qualifying standings. At the end of the qualifying period, the final scores will be tabulated and the top six riders/ handlers in each qualifying class will be invited to represent Washington State at the AQHYA Word Show.

In the event of a tie the following rules will be used to break the tie:

1. Most wins... if still tied:
2. Most seconds... if still tied:
3. Most AQHA points in that class

The next highest scores will select alternates (No age restrictions on alternate qualifiers). Should vacancies still remain, all reasonable criteria will be considered in the selection process by the WSQHYA board and Youth Advisors.

The qualifying classes will be youth-18 & Under, youth-14-18, and youth-13 & Under. The youth that are ages 14 through 18 on January 1st of the show year will have precedence over the youth that are 13 and younger on January 1st of the show year for the first four positions on the WSQHYA World Show Team. The fifth and sixth positions will have no age restrictions... it will be determined by highest point tabulation only.

In addition to all other "Standing Rules" regarding the Washington State Youth World Team, QUALIFICATION FOR A POSITION ON THE WASHINGTON STATE YOUTH WORLD TEAM includes the following:

1. Attend one mandatory World Team Planning Meeting with Parents or Guardians.
2. Earn \$200.00 in cash sponsorships or donate \$200.00 to the WSQHYA World Youth Team to pay for team expenses in Oklahoma. After sponsorships or cash equivalent has been turned in, there will be no refunds. \$100 additional sponsorship money will be required for each additional horse/rider combo.
3. Participate in one specified WSQHYA fundraiser to a \$150 value or contribute \$150 cash donation.
4. While at the AQHYA World Show, join team members in the "Parade of Teams" and pose for a WSQHYA Team picture.
5. As representatives of Washington State and WSQHYA, Team members shall, at all times, conduct themselves in a becoming manner. Stalls (horse, tack, and feed) and aisles must be kept clean during the entire week.
6. Have a completed mandatory WSQHYA World Youth Team "Letter of Intent" on file with the Youth Advisor on/or before February 15th and have all other qualifications completed on/or before June 1st of the qualifying year.

If the qualification points #2 and #3 cannot be met, a youth may still be eligible by contributing a cash equivalent of \$350.00 by June 1st of the qualifying year. Any Washington State qualifying youth unable to meet the WSQHYA State Team Qualifications will forfeit their position to an alternate WSQHYA World Team member.

A Washington State youth who receives a national invitation to compete at the AQHYA Youth World Show is encouraged to participate as a Washington State Team member. If the youth chooses not to or is unable to participate in the Washington State Youth Team qualifications, designation as a WSQHYA Team member will be lost and the individual will not be eligible for a WSQHYA support which may include, but is not limited to, team outfits, participation gifts, stall and tack room charges, stall decorations, team pictures, and activities. Tack room space and stalls will be available to all non-team members at the standard rate within the Washington State designated area.

The WSQHYA will pay for the cooling fan expenses for the World Show Team. All other expenses need to be covered by the \$200 sponsorship fee paid by each team member. The team may vote to pay for additional expenses out of pocket if they choose if the World Show team budget will allow.

The WSQHYA will pay for World Show related expenses not to exceed the World Show budget for that respective year. These expenses may include but are not limited to fans, tack stalls, stall decorations, etc. All other expenses in excess of the budget may be voted on by the team to be an out of pocket expense.

The youth advisor will have expenses paid for the youth worlds after they participate in a minimum of \$600 in fundraising.

SECTION FOUR: WASHINGTON STATE DELEGATES

Each year WSQHYA will elect four delegates to represent Washington State at the annual Youth Excellence Seminar (Y.E.S.) in Amarillo, Texas. These delegates will be able to run for Regional Offices and National Positions within the AQHYA structure. Delegates understand that it is a requirement for youth Delegates to be chaperoned by an adult. If no adult is willing or able to attend, the youth Delegates will not attend the conference. Please read current year YES rules and guidelines on the AQHA website. For YES the members are able to use the WSQHYA designated fundraisers to earn money to pay for YES expenses. If youth member raises a minimum of \$825 all monies raised in excess of the \$125 base fundraiser can be used for YES airfare, hotel and seminar fees with a minimum of \$700 that will be allotted for expenses relating to this event. Advisor or chaperone will have the cost of airfare and chaperones room when split with YES attendees of expenses. If there are more than 6 youth attending then two chaperones will be allowed to attend and allotted for. For horse bowl, horse judging and speech contests at Youth Worlds the members are able to use the WSQHYA designated fundraisers to earn money to pay for expenses.

If youth member raises a minimum of \$825 all monies raised in excess of the \$125 base fundraiser can be used for horse bowl, horse judging and speech airfare, hotel and seminar fees with a minimum of \$700 that will be allotted for expenses relating to this event.

Youth shall be cautioned that an infraction of any AQHA, AQHYA, WSQHA, or WSQHYA rule, whether or not intentional, may result in removal from Delegate position at the discretion of the board of elected officers.

The election process for Washington State Youth Delegates as is follows:

- A. Applicants must be members of WSQHYA and AQHYA in good standing.
- B. A WSQHYA Delegate "Letter of Intent" must be on file with the Youth Advisor by the annual WSQHA convention.
- C. Applicants will give a short speech to the youth membership at the convention highlighting their qualifications.
- D. The youth membership will vote to approve or disapprove Delegate applicants.
- E. The Youth Advisor, in an anonymous format, will choose four Delegates and all Alternates.
- F. The Youth Advisor may select Delegates if no applicants are approved.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR WASHINGTON STATE YOUTH DELEGATES include the following:

- 1. Must be members of WSQHYA and AQHYA in good standing.
- 2. Must be a WSQHYA member for a minimum of one year.
- 3. Attend all WSQHYA membership meetings (2 absences allowed)
- 4. Participate in all WSQHYA fundraiser of \$825.
- 5. Participate in at least one designated WSQHYA community outreach program.
- 6. Successfully complete the election process for a Washington State Youth Delegate.
- 7. Post Seminar: Delegate will prepare a ten-minute presentation detailing their experience to the members of WSQHYA and WSQHA that will be presented at the annual WSQHYA convention.

All travel, hotel, and seminar arrangements will be coordinated with the Youth Advisor.

SECTION FIVE: COMMITTEES

The following committees were developed to promote opportunities for membership, leadership, and involvement. Each committee will be filled as necessary to operate the business of WSQHYA. An Executive Officer will be assigned to oversee and assist each committee. A Youth Advisor or Parent Volunteer will be assigned to each committee to assist as necessary. The committees will elect a chairman who will serve as the committee leader and report to the Executive Officers. Committee members can serve for a two-year term. The following are the committees and their purpose:

1. **Fundraising:** This committee will discover and implement new and creative fundraising ideas. Track and promote all fundraising projects and encourage membership participation.
2. **Show and Social Committee:** They will plan youth activities, speakers, guests, etc. They will also help plan general meetings at shows. Set up, arrange and coordinate the WSQHYA Youth Booth. Create and implement fun events at shows and non-show gatherings. Help encourages member growth through social activities and outreach.
3. **Newsletter and Marketing Committee:** This committee will be in charge of all correspondence sent to the WSQHYA membership and outside affiliations. They will also assist the Reporter with his/her collection of information on newsworthy items for various publications, newsletters, and the WSQHYA website. They will act as reporters, editors, photographers, news writers, story contributors, and marketing managers under the guidance of the Executive Reporter. They will submit articles, stories, photos to the monthly WSQHA newsletter
4. **Charity and Community Outreach Committee:** They will plan and implement community and membership programs that will encourage participation and growth. They will create partnerships with local FFA and 4H groups. They will take the lead to attract media coverage and educate the community and membership regarding the American Quarter Horse. They will actively participate with political and community leaders on issues affecting the Quarter Horse industry, etc. Investigate and promote worthwhile charities to be supported by WSQHYA, etc.
5. **AQHYA World Show Committee:** This committee will help the Youth Advisor prepare for the AQHYA World Show. This is to include, but not limited to, schedule, contests, decorations, supplies, gifts, parties, and activities. This committee will report to the Youth Advisor.



OFFICER LETTER OF INTENT

Each year the Washington State Quarter Horse Youth Association offers many youth leadership opportunities. The executive offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Reporter represent five of those leadership positions. The executive officers are elected by majority vote at the WSQHA annual convention. Each officer will take office at the convention and shall serve for a term of one year and/or until a successor has been duly qualified. The general duties of each office are described in the WSQHYA Bylaws. A more detailed list of the annual responsibilities for each executive office is available on the website.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ALL EXECUTIVE OFFICERS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

1. All executive officers must be members in good standing with WSQHYA and AQHYA.
2. All executive officer applicants must have a WSQHYA Officer Letter of Intent of file with the Youth Advisor prior to the executive officer elections at the WSQHA annual convention.
3. The executive officer applicants will be required to give a short electoral speech to the general WSQHYA membership at the WSQHA annual convention highlighting their qualifications.
4. The executive officers must attend all scheduled executive and general member- ship meetings.
(Two unexcused absences will result in dismissal from office)
5. The executive officers must participate and promote all fundraisers.
6. The executive officers will keep and organize their perpetual officer binder in good order, bring it with them to all meetings, and return it at the WSQHA annual convention that coincides with the end of their term.
7. The executive officers will conduct themselves within the objectives and purpose of the WSQHYA.
8. The executive officers will be available to new members and the general membership of WSQHYA as mentors and informational guides of WSQHYA.

The elections shall go in order of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Reporter. If you are not elected for the office of your first choice, you may exercise the option of placing your name on the ballot for other offices.

Name: _____

I understand, and I am capable of meeting the qualifications of a WSQHYA executive officer. I would like to place my name on the ballot for the office of:

I would like to be considered for this office because...

What makes me qualified and /or able to be considered for this office...

How will I grow WSQHA and AQHA if elected?

My best contribution to WSQHYA has been or will be...

Name:(Please Print Clearly)_____ Date:_____

Parent Signature:_____ Date:_____

Youth Advisor: Alefa Eserjose
Email: seahawksfamily12@gmail.com Phone: 425-239-2897
Address: 17919 Fales Rd, Snohomish, WA 98296

Please keep a copy of this for your records.
(Revised 1/20)



Washington State Youth Delegate Application Youth Excellence Seminar (Y.E.S.)

Name: _____ Date: _____
Assigned Number: _____

Thank you for applying to be a Washington State Youth Delegate. Your Application will be assessed in an anonymous format as required by the Bylaws of WSQHYA. Your name will be blackened, and your application will be given a number. Your answers and written communication ability will determine your application placement. Please use and/or attach another sheet of paper if necessary.

Why are you applying to be a Delegate?

In your opinion, what has been your best contribution to the Washington State Quarter Horse Youth Association?

What life experiences have prepared you to take on this leadership role?

If you are selected to be a Washington State Delegate, what do you hope to bring back and/or accomplish for the Youth membership?

What would you look for in a Region One Director?

What is your best strength?

What is your biggest weakness?

How are you working on improving your weakness?

How can you help WSQHA grow as a member and a YES Delegate?

What does AQHYA have to offer youth members?

Why do you believe you should be a delegate?

Other activities with WSQHYA & WSQHA?

Other activities besides WSQHYA?

To be considered for a Washington State Delegate position, this application must be received by the Washington State Youth Advisor at convention.

**WSQHYA - Youth of the Month
Biography Information**

Your Name: _____

Your horse's name (Show and Barn): _____

How did you get started riding/showing? _____

Your trainer/s: _____

How many years have you been riding or showing? _____

Which class/es are your favorite to compete in and why? _____

How long have you and your horse been together? _____

What hobbies or sports do you enjoy outside of the barn? _____

What's your favorite subject in school and why? _____

Who is your mentor or someone you admire and why? _____

What are your goals for the 2020 show season? _____

Tell us about yourself? _____

What do you see yourself doing in 5 years? 10 years? _____

Submit Your Bio Early!

- A **Profile Picture** of you (Photo of you and your horse)
- Fill out this form
- Email all of the above to seahawksfamily12@gmail.com and to the current reporter
- Contact the youth reporter or the youth advisor for any questions.

Fundraising Committee

“This committee will discover and implement new and creative fundraising ideas. Track and promote all fundraising projects and encourage membership participation”

Committee Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Committee Co-Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Parent Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

2021 goals for the committee:

Who will be in charge of the schedule of volunteers?

Who will be the lead on the silent auction?

Committee Members:

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| 1. | 6. |
| 2. | 7. |
| 3. | 8. |
| 4. | 9. |
| 5. | 10. |

2021 planned activities for and who will be in charge of each activity:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

Show & Social Committee

“They will plan youth activities, speakers, guests, etc. They will also help plan general meetings at shows. Set up, arrange and coordinate the WSQHYA Booth. Create and implement fun events at shows and non-show gatherings. Help encourage member growth through social activities and outreach.”

Committee Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Committee Co-Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Parent Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Committee Members:

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2021 goals for the committee: _____

2021 planned activities for and who will be in charge of each activity:

1. _____

2. _____

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7. _____

Newsletter & Marketing

“This committee will be in charge of all correspondence sent to the WSQHYA membership and outside affiliations. They will assist the reporter with his/her collection of information on newsworthy items for various publications, newsletters, and the WSQHYA website. They will act as reporters, editors, photographers, new writers, story contributors, and marketing managers under the guidance of the Executive Reporter. They will submit articles, stories, photos to the monthly WSQHA news- letter.”

Committee Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Committee Co-Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Parent Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Committee Members:

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2021 goals for the committee: _____

Charity & Community Outreach

“They will plan and implement community and membership programs that will encourage participation and growth. They will create partnerships with local FFA and 4H groups. They will take the lead to attract media coverage and educate the community and membership regarding the American Quarter Horse. They will actively participate with political and community leaders on issues affecting the Quarter Horse Industry, etc. Investigate and promote worthwhile charities to be supported by WSQHYA, etc.”

Committee Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Committee Co-Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Parent Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Committee Members:

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2021 goals for the committee: _____

2021 planned activities for and who will be in charge of each activity:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

AQHYA World Show

“This committee will help the Youth Advisor prepare for the AQHYA World Show. This is to include, but not limited to, schedule, contests, decorations, supplies, gifts, parties, and activities. This committee will report to the Youth Advisor”

Committee Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Committee Co-Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Parent Chair: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

2021 goals for the committee: _____

Committee Members:

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2021 World Show Youth Team Letter of Intent-DUE Feb 15th

The purpose of the Washington State World Youth Team is to provide an opportunity for the youth of Washington State to participate nationally at the American Quarter Horse Youth World Show in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. WSQHYA is able to send six youth from each class plus the Washington State legal residents or full-time students in residence who are nationally invited. In the event that all six youth are not available for an offered class, the youth advisor will select an additional youth, based on the Washington State qualifying points earned. The youth advisor reserves the right to fill all classes with any AQHA member and any eligible rider/handler if the class is not filled in the regular manner.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION AS PART OF THE WASHINGTON STATE WORLD YOUTH TEAM AT THE AQHYA WORLD SHOW:

1. Be a member in good standing with WSQHYA and AQHYA by Feb 15th of the qualifying year.
2. Attend one mandatory WSQHYA World Team Planning meeting with Parents or Guardians. The 1st meeting will be held at the WSQHA Trophy Circuit in Monroe. Team selection will be done at this meeting. The 2nd meeting will be held prior to June 15th. Bring an 8x10 horizontal picture (non-original) of you with your horse. (National Qualifiers may request a conference call with the WSQHYA World Team Advisor and mail photo by June 1). You will also be required to participate in a Youth World Team specific fundraiser that will be announced (WSQHASTate Basket Silent Auction).
3. Earn \$200.00 in cash sponsorships or donate \$200.00 to the WSQHYA World Youth Team to pay for team expenses. After sponsorships or cash equivalent has been turned in, there will be no refunds. \$100 additional sponsorship money will be required for each additional horse/rider combo.
4. Participate in one specified WSQHYA fundraiser (WSQHYA State Basket Silent Auction) at a designated level. If this qualification cannot be met, a youth may still be eligible to participate as a WSQHYA Team member by contributing the cash equivalent of \$150 for the fundraising qualification by Feb 15th of the qualifying year.

5. While in OKC, join the WSQHYA Team for the “Parade of States”, team spirit activities and for a WSQHYA Team photo. Before OKC, create scrapbook, create stall decorations and decorate Wrangler jeans/Justin boots for team spirit.

6. As representatives of Washington State and WSQHYA, team members shall, at all time, conduct themselves in a becoming manner. Stalls, aisle, tack rooms, feed rooms and all public areas must be kept clean during the entire AQHYA show.

7. Have a completed mandatory WSQHYA World Youth Team “Letter of Intent” on file with the WSQHYA Advisor Alefa Eserjose 17919 Fales Rd, Snohomish, WA 98296. We must have a postmark by Feb 15th and all of the above qualifications completed on or before June 1st of the qualifying year.

Any Washington State qualifying youth unable to fulfill the WSQHYA World Team qualifications will forfeit their position to an alternate WSQHYA World Team member.

We welcome and strongly encourage all youth who receive national invitations to participate as a Washington State World Youth Team member. If the youth chooses not to, or is unable to participate in the WSQHYA World team qualifications, designation as a WSQHYA World Team member will be lost and the individual will not be eligible for WSQHYA support (may include, but not limited to, team outfits, participation gifts, stall, tack, and feed room charges, aisle fans, stall dressing, team pictures and team activities). Tack room space, feed room, and stalls will be available at the standard rate for all non- team members.

If you are unable to meet the Fundraising qualification by February 15th you can contribute the cash equivalent of \$150.00 as an alternative by June 1st of the qualifying year. I understand the eligibility requirements. Letter of intents will only be accepted with the fundraising qualification met if the \$150 fee is enclosed.

_____ Please initial here if you understand the eligibility requirements and are NOT able to meet the fundraising qualification and you will be contributing \$150.00.

Please attach a copy of your horse’s AQHA Registration Papers and youth members AQHA card. Keep a copy of this form for your records.

I wish to participate as a Team Member of the Washington State Youth World Team (Nationally or State qualified) and I understand the eligibility requirements:

Name: Please Print

_____ AQHYA#: _____

Please circle your T-shirt Size:

Adult Men -- S M L XL XXL

Adult Women -- XXS XS S M L XL XXL

Address: _____ City: _____

Zip: _____

Youth

Cell: _____ Email: _____

Horse's Reg

Name: _____

Barn Name: _____ Horse's Reg Number: _____

Trainer: _____

Trainer

phone: _____ Email: _____

Youth Signature:

_____ Date: _____

Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Phone:

_____ Email: _____

All events you intend to show in:

CHECKLIST TO TURN INTO ALEFA ESERJOSE POSTMARKED BY FEB 15th

- WORLD SHOW LETTER OF INTENT
- \$150 check is due with Letter of intent-\$150 check will be refunded IF you participate in the World Show Fundraiser. After the Trophy Circuit, no fundraiser funds will be returned
- HORSE REGISTRATION
- YOUTH AQHA MEMBERSHIP CARDS
- T-SHIRT/CONTACT INFO FORM

Alefa Eserjose 17919 Fales Rd, Snohomish, WA 98296

CHECKLIST TO TURN INTO ALEFA ESERJOSE

- ALL ENTRIES AND SIGNATURES REQUIRED FROM THE TEAM MEMBER AND PARENT ON YOUTH WORLD LIABILITY FORM
- THREE SEPARATE CHECKS
 - \$200 sponsorship or equivalent
 - Stall and entry fee
- Variety show, freestyle, speech, scrapbook, horsebowl etc entry and fee
- Complete requirements 1-7 listed on letter of intent by required dates

Alefa Eserjose 17919 Fales Rd, Snohomish WA 98296

PLEASE NOTE THAT ONCE YOUR MONEY IS TURNED IN THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS ON SPONSORSHIPS OR FUNDRAISER



2021 Youth World Show

The Washington State Quarter Horse Youth Association would like to congratulate you on your achievement of qualifying for the 2021 Youth World Championship show! This prestigious event is held in August in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Your hard work, dedication and talent has earned you a spot on the 2021 Washington State Quarter Horse Youth Association Youth World Team. Your journey is just beginning!

The purpose of the youth world team packet is to inform exhibitor, parent and trainer of the responsibilities at the Youth World Show.

If this is your first world show you should know that each state stalls together and you will share tack/feed rooms. Although you compete individually, you will be participating as a team representing the state of Washington. There are team events to participate in such as team spirit competitions and a stall decorating. If you want to represent our team off of your horse, you can enter into the scrapbooking contest, judging, horse bowl, or a speech contest that takes place at the world show.

State and alternate entry forms will be sent to individual qualifiers. If you do not receive your entry by MAY 25, please contact Lisa Gardner immediately at (253)208-38319. National qualifiers will receive their entry directly from AQHA. **Send all World Show entries and release forms to ALEFA ESERJOSE no later than June 1st.** She must send Washington entries together in one packet to AQHA. These entries **CANNOT BE LATE.**

Send all World Show entries and release forms to ALEFA no later than June 1st! **Sponsorship/fundraising fees MUST BE RECEIVED by ALEFA on June 1st,** no refunds on money once it is turned in.

We are very proud of your accomplishments and our youth world team. We wish you a safe trip and the best of luck!

Alefa Eserjose
17919 Fales Rd
Snohomish, WA
98296
425-239-2897
Seahawksfamily12@gmail.com

**Thank you for attending
and have a great
2021!!!**

