

WASHINGTON STATE DELEGATES/YOUTH EXCELLENCE SEMINAR

Each year WSQHYA will elect four delegates to represent Washington State at the annual Youth Excellence Seminar (Y.E.S.) in Texas, location TBD. 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. Washington State Delegates and YES members can use the WSQHYA designated fundraisers to earn money to pay for YES expenses. If a youth member raises a minimum of \$1,000.00 all monies raised more than the \$125 base fundraiser can be used for YES airfare, hotel, and seminar fees with a minimum of \$875 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.

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 \$1,000.00.
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 five- 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.

NOTE WE HAVE TO UPDATED BYLAWS IF WE MAKE THE CHANGES in fees above.

I wish to participate in the Youth Excellence Seminar with WSQHYA 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 – XS S M L XL XXL

Address: _____

City: _____

Zip: _____

I understand that all YES funds must be raised and turned in by June 1st. Should I choose not to attend YES after the airfare has been purchased, I understand that I will still be obligated to fundraise for the costs incurred to the club.

Youth Signature: _____ Date: _____

Youth Cell: _____ Email: _____

Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Phone: _____ Email: _____

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