*Presented by the Ohio Amateur Quarter Horse Association & Buckeye Western Horse Association*

**Guidelines**

All proceeds from the 2015 Buckeye Blitz 5k will benefit the inaugural Buckeye Classic Scholarship. One scholarship will be awarded to an exhibitor at The Buckeye who will be pursuing higher education at the undergraduate or graduate level in the Fall of 2015. The Buckeye Classic Scholarship will be a one-time award in the amount of **$1,000**.The scholarship check will be made payable to the college/university/institute.

To be considered for this scholarship, please submit a complete application. A full application includes the following components:

* Complete responses to the application’s questions
* An essay (one page, maximum) describing *what the equine industry means to you*
* Proof of enrollment for Fall 2015 (class schedule, etc.)
* Transcripts of post-secondary education completed to date (unofficial okay)

Applications should be emailed to Rebecca Dingus at [beccadingus@gmail.com](mailto:beccadingus@gmail.com). Your application and your essay can be completed within this single Word document. You may provide additional attachments for proof of enrollment and transcripts. Receipt of your application will be confirmed via email within 12 hours; if you do not receive a reply in that timeframe confirming that your application has been received, please call 740-534-3551. Any questions about this scholarship should also be directed to Rebecca at this number.

**Scholarship applications must be received by 5pm on Monday, July 20.**

**The scholarship winner will be announced and the award will be presented in the show arena following Leadline on Friday, July 24.**

**Please plan to be present at this time.**

**Thank you for applying for The Buckeye Classic Scholarship!**

**APPLICATION**

Please provide as complete information as possible, so that the scholarship committee can fully and accurately evaluate you as a candidate for this scholarship. *The space after each question will expand as you type your responses.*

**Personal Information**

Name:

Address:

Email:       Phone:       Date of Birth:

**School Information**

College/University attending in Fall 2015:

Major(s):       Minor(s), if applicable:

Current GPA:       Expected Graduation Date:

Career Goal(s):

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Interests/Volunteer Experience/Community Service:

**Participation at The Buckeye (you must show during 2015)**

In which years have you shown at The Buckeye?  2013  2014  2015

In what specific classes are you showing at The Buckeye this year, in 2015?

Have you participated in the Team Tournament Challenge and/or Buckeye Blitz 5k, or do you have intentions of participating this year? (if yes, please provide details)

**Establishment of Need**

Please share with us how receiving The Buckeye Classic scholarship would benefit you the most.

**Concluding Remarks *(optional)***

If there is anything else you would like the scholarship committee to know about you that wasn’t covered in another part of this application, please tell us here.

**Signature:** **Date:**

*You may type your name above, given the constraints of this electronic application, to serve as your signature verifying that all information provided in this application is true and accurate.*

**The 2015 Buckeye Classic Scholarship will be presented on Friday, July 24, in the**

**main arena following the Leadline class. All applicants are expected to attend;**

**should you be unable to attend, please notify Rebecca Dingus well in advance.**

**Essay**

At the top of the next page, you will begin your essay. Please do not go over one page in length, and please remember to proofread. By submitting this application, you are giving The Buckeye Classic permission to share excerpts of your essay in promotional materials.

For your essay, please answer this question: *What does the equine industry mean to you?*

**WHAT THE EQUINE INDUSTRY MEANS TO ME**