

FDCTA SCHOLARSHIP

The FDCTA Scholarship Fund has been established to promote and further the education of equestrians in the pursuit of dressage.

The Scholarship is for all riders. To be eligible for the scholarship the applicant must meet the following basic requirements: been a member for at least one year, personally volunteered eight hours at a FDCTA sponsored activity (i.e. clinic, show, meeting, and educational activity).

The Scholarship is intended to provide monetary assistance to the recipient to further his or her knowledge and skills in dressage. The funds can be used for opportunities such as a clinic, horse related course offered at an accredited university or college. The scholarship is not intended to be used to purchase tack, equipment, apparel, or to be used for show entry fees.

Each year the Executive Committee will set aside funds at the budget meeting for the Scholarship. At this time the fund is \$100.00. The funds do not have to be awarded if none of the applicants meet the requirements. The funds will be distributed at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

Any interested applicant must apply by January 15th of the year it is to be awarded. Applications can be found on the FDCTA web-site. They should be submitted along with the letters of recommendation.

The recipient of the scholarship will be expected to give a report to the FDCTA membership at the November meeting. The report should explain the use/benefits they have received due to the scholarship and give a brief accounting of expenditures. The recipient will also be honored at the yearend awards banquet.

The FDCTA scholarship committee will consist of three members in good standing. They will meet and review all application letters and interview the candidates if necessary. The decision will be final and will be announced no later than the last day of February.

Awarding of the scholarship will be based upon the following: submitted application, appropriateness of goals and intended use of funds, equine experience, financial need, involvement in FDCTA activities and involvement in the local dressage community.