**For which scholarship are you applying?** *(Check one)*

 Leg-Up Scholarship  Beverly Swanson Adult

 Junior/Young Rider Scholarship Amateur Scholarship

 Barbara McElnea Western CO Scholarship  Opening Doors Scholarship

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If applicant is a minor, please provide information on parent/guardian.

Parent/Guardian (specify) Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Horse’s registered name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Horse owner (if different from rider): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Horse owner’s address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Email address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Briefly explain why you are in need of financial aid to support your dressage education/career:
2. Discuss your background in the sport of dressage. Include such items as how long you have been riding dressage, the level you are currently training, the training principles you follow, the frequency you receive regular lessons, the qualifications of the instructor(s) and any other information that helps to clarify your background and commitment to the discipline. Please include any non-riding involvement like show management or volunteer activities that involve dressage.
3. What challenges do you face in riding dressage? What are your personal goals involving dressage—both short-term and long-term?
4. How will you use the Rocky Mountain Dressage Society Scholarship? You must provide a detailed description and projected budget amounts for all intended expenditures and events. Remember that your intended activities must conform to the general scholarship guidelines and the specific requirements of the scholarship for which you are applying.

(Please use separate sheet)

**LIABILITY RELEASE**

I hereby agree to fully and expressly assume and accept any and all risks of injury or death inherent in any equine activities in which I participate as a RMDS scholarship recipient. I understand that I am responsible for death, bodily injury or property damage which I or my child or legal ward should sustain whether riding a horse or engaged in any activity described within this scholarship application, or while in transit to or from an event described herein. I am also responsible for any attendance or time that I or my child or legal ward shall lose from employment or school or other activity and for medical expenses or any other expenses incurred because of such bodily injury or property damage. I hereby, for myself, my child or legal ward, my heirs, administrators and assigns release and forever discharge the owners, operators, and sponsors of RMDS and their respective servants, agents, officers and all other participants of and from all claims, demands, actions and causes of action for such injuries sustained to my person, or that of my child or legal charge and/or property. I will defend and hold RMDS, their officers, directors, employees, agents, insurers, and volunteers harmless against any and all damages, liabilities, losses, claims, demands, causes of action, judgments, costs, penalties, and expenses, including reasonable attorneys’ fees, arising from any of my, or my child’s or legal ward’s, negligent or intentional acts or failures to act.

**WARNING: Under Colorado Law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury or the death**

**of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities,**

**pursuant to section 13-21-119, Colorado Revised Statutes.**

I certify that the information provided to the RMDS Scholarship Committee is true and correct and that I have read and do understand the Liability Release and the Warning above.

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Printed name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If applicant is a minor, then I sign as the minor’s parent(s) or legal guardian(s).

Minor’s printed name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian - signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian - printed name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MUST BE RECEIVED by November 30, 2023

SEND TO: Karen Harkin-Scholarship Chairperson-2687 Lookout Lane-Grand Junction, CO  81503