

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH SHOWS, INC.

R.M.H.S. 2011 YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT CONTEST

PURPOSE

To acknowledge outstanding achievement and leadership by R.M.H.S. youth members in the rabbit industry, as measured by activities and leadership in organizations and associations, performance at the show table, achievements in breeding and raising animals and the vision and goals set for themselves and their project.

AWARDS

Applications will be judged by age division. The age divisions will be as follows: 11 years of age and under, 12-14 years of age, 15-18 years of age. Age is determined by the contestant's age on the closing day of convention for that year. Participants will be recognized at the RMHS State Convention. Contestants need not be present to win.

A GOOD APPLICATION

You have to decide how you want to present your project and yourself, but all winning applications have some things in common:

1. Make sure you answer the question asked! You can talk about other things as well, but the most common error is not answering the question asked.
2. Pictures tell a lot about you and your project. Select them carefully and size them appropriately to tell the story. Include captions so the judges know what they are looking at and why.
3. Using good grammar and spelling tells the judge you are serious and careful. Ask a teacher to proofread your application.

RULES

1. Any RMHS youth member is eligible to compete. Membership must be valid on March 15, 2011. Attendance at the State Convention is not necessary.
2. Applications are to be composed and completed by the contestant.
3. Up to five pages and less 4500 words, printed on one side only, may be submitted by the applicant.
4. Include only your RMHS membership number at the top of each page of information submitted.
5. Enter online or send your Contest Entry Form and 3 copies of your answers!

Applications must be emailed or postmarked by March 26, 2011.

Applications online or postmarked between March 27-March 31, 2011 will receive a 20 point deduction.

No application will be accepted after March 31, 2011

Please enter online: rockysbest@aol.com

If you can't enter online, send the Contest Entry Form to: Rosie Scanlon, 21580 E 118th Ave., Commerce City, CO 80022

Scoring Rubric:	Achievement	60 points
	Leadership	50 points
	Goals and Plans for the future	40 points
	Clarity and Thoroughness of Answers	30 points
	Neatness and Appearance of Application	<u>20 points</u>
	Total possible score	200 Points

Deduction – Each application rule not followed will result in a 10 point deduction. Late applications will receive a 20 point deduction.

RMHS 2011 ACHEIVEMENT APPLICATION

There are two ways to enter this contest, on-line or by mail. Please enter on –line if possible, it reduces errors and saves a lot of paper.

On-line entry:

1. Copy and answer the 13 questions in Microsoft word. Photographs and graphics may be included. Save the final copy as a .pdf if possible. Do not exceed 4500 words or 5 pages.
2. Fill out the Contest form. Send completed Contest Form and final copy to rockysbest@aol.com.

Mail entry:

1. Copy and answer the 13 questions, photographs and graphics may be included. The final copy should be typed. Do not exceed 4500 words or 5 pages.
2. Print the entry form, fill it out and send it along with your application. Included all contest you are entering in one envelope and you only need one entry form for everything.

Use 10 point Arial or Times New Roman fonts with minimum margins of ½ inch.

Include your RMHS membership number at the top of each page.

Questions:

1. When did you join RMHS and how many consecutive years have you belonged?
2. What other rabbit or cavy organizations are you a member of (use full names)?
3. List any office or committee positions that you have held in rabbit organizations?
4. Tell about the most important award(s) you have won individually or as a member of a group within your project.
5. Tell about the most important award(s) you have won with your animals.
6. Explain what you do to make others aware of rabbits.
7. Describe any rabbit activities that you participated in and/or developed.
8. List the things you have done to encourage others to join rabbit organizations.
9. Explain how you have helped others learn new skills and increased their knowledge of this hobby.
10. What goals have you set for yourself with regards to your rabbit project?
11. What goals have you achieved to this point in your project?
12. Explain how will the achievement of these goals help you in the future?
13. What would you like us to know that has not been asked?