



Michael Halpin Progressive Breeder Award

Application for The Michael Halpin Progressive Breeder Award

Two (2) \$300 Awards will be presented annually

Please submit by June 1st via email to juniors@milkingshorthorn.com

Please email juniors@milkingshorthorn.com with any questions regarding the application.

Mike Halpin was a national board member, enthusiastic Milking Shorthorn breeder and promoter, and spread that passion to all he met. Two awards are given in his memory to juniors that demonstrate involvement in junior Milking Shorthorn activities, farm and/or care of their own cattle, as well as other agriculture, youth, community, and school activities. Applicants must have carried a Milking Shorthorn project for at least one year. Candidates must demonstrate involvement in Junior Milking Shorthorn Activities, farm and/or care of their own cattle, as well as other agriculture, youth, community and school activities. Interviews are held at the National Milking Shorthorn Convention in June.

Eligibility and Rules

1. Junior Progressive Breeder Award can be awarded to two deserving youth at the National Convention.
2. Each candidate must be a member in good standing of a state Junior Milking Shorthorn Association, if there is one in his/ her state; and be a paid junior member of the American Milking Shorthorn Junior Society.
3. A candidate must be between the ages of 9 and 21 as of January 1st and must have carried a Milking Shorthorn project for at least one year.
4. A committee of three judges is selected to interview eligible candidates at the National Milking Shorthorn Convention in June.
5. Applicants must be present to interview.
6. Recipients of the award will receive an award from AMSJS.
7. A completed application for the contest must be submitted no later than June 1st of the current year.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained here is correct and is my own work.

Applicant Signature _____

Date _____



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Information

Name:

Permanent Address:

Current or School Address (if different):

Email Address:

Phone:

Birthdate: Age (as of Jan. 1):

Parents/Guardian:

School or Current Employment:

Graduation Date:

College Major (if applicable):

Farm Prefix:

Years of Membership in AMSJS:



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Milking Shorthorn Story

On a separate sheet, please write your “Milking Shorthorn Story”

The Milking Shorthorn Story should be no more than three pages, font 12, Arial or similar, and double-spaced.

Please answer:

1. How did you begin with Milking Shorthorns?
2. What is your role on your home farm?
3. Describe the duties your responsible for directly with your animals both at home and at the shows.
4. What are your future plans in the dairy/beef industry?
5. What activities are you involved in outside of Milking Shorthorns?

Application Questions

On a separate sheet answer the following appropriate application questions for your age division.

The application should be no more than 500 words, font 12, Arial or similar, and double-spaced.

Age 9-15 as of January 1st of the current year

1. If money was not a problem, what cow family would you want to have offspring out of? Why?
2. How do you incorporate the National Milking Shorthorn motto “Breeding for Tomorrow” in your herd?

Age 16-21 as of January 1st of the current year

1. What traits do you feel are important to focus on when breeding your Milking Shorthorns to make them competitive in today’s dairy industry?
2. How do you incorporate the National Milking Shorthorn motto “Breeding for Tomorrow” in your herd?
3. How can we use new technology to promote the Milking Shorthorn breed and the American Milking Shorthorn Society?



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Highlights of Activities

1. List organizations, offices held & awards in dairy activities. (Limit responses to space provided.)

| Year | Organization | Office/Award |
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| EX. 2022 | American Milking Shorthorn Junior Society | National Junior President |
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2. List organizations, offices held & awards in other activities. (Limit responses to space provided.)

| Year | Organization | Office/Award |
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| 2021 | Smith Central High School | Varsity Football Letter Award |
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