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High School Rodeos Of BC **HANDBOOK**

Provincial Rules and Guidelines
Spring 2026 Edition

1) DEFINITIONS

The definitions in this Handbook are the same as in the HSR of BC Bylaws.

2) REGIONAL COMMITTEES

A standing committee will be formed for each of the North and South Region (See Section 25)

- i. The purpose of the Committee will be to:
 - (1) Support the production of Rodeos in the Region
 - (2) Manage the monies collected by the region
- iii) Hold fundraising events and find sponsorship for the committee's accounts
- ii. The Chair of each Regional Committee will be a Director of the Board
 - (1) The North Executive Director and the South Executive Director will be officers as per section 12.1 of the Bylaws
 - (2) The Board will vote for the Committee Chairs during a meeting of the Board when the other Officers of the Board are voted in and will start their position when the other Officers of the Board take theirs
- iii) The Chair will be considered an Officer of the Board
- iv) The duties of the Chair will be to:
 - (1) Preside over meetings of the Committee
 - (2) Report to the Board all activities of the Committee at each meeting of the board
 - (3) Provide a finance report to the Board
 - (4) Sign off on sanction forms, when money from their committee is being used for a rodeo. For clarity, a sanction form does not require the executive director's signature if no money from that committee is being used
- iii. The Committee will be made of the chair and no less than three Associate Members (in good standing) who may or may not be directors of the Board
 - (1) The committee members will be voted in by the Associate Members from that region during the first rodeo of the year (excluding a shooting, cutting or reined cow horse event) or as close to it as possible
 - (2) Each committee member has a vote on the Committee as long as they are still members in good standing
- iv. Money may be collected in the name of the North or South Region of the HSR of BC.
 - (1) This money is an asset of the HSR of BC but may be in a separate bank account;
 - (2) Any expenditure of money must be done with a committee resolution and vote
 - (3) The primary purpose of the money is to support the production of rodeos and meeting the purpose of the Society
- iv) All financial records must be reported to the Provincial Secretary prior to the Annual General Meeting as well as prior to year-end.
- v) The Board may choose to redistribute money

- vi) Major provincial fundraisers, proceeds will be split 40% to the Province, 30% to the North Region and 30% to the South Region. This formula is a basic guideline and can be revisited each season and adjusted according to forecasts and seasonal changes. (BCHSRA Directors resolution, February 25, 2021)

3) DISCIPLIN COMMITTEE

- i) For greater clarity, the Discipline Committee is the HSR of BC Board of Directors. The National Director will represent and/or accompany the Member.

4) STUDENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There will be a Student Executive Committee for each Region, which will consist of:

High School Division President	Junior Division President
High School Division Vice President	Junior Division Vice President
High School Division Secretary	Junior Division Secretary

Nomination Process:

Nominations for the Student Executive Committee for each region will be directed to the Provincial Secretary and will be due one week prior to the election date, which is generally at the first Regional Rodeo of the fall. No nominations will NOT be taken from the floor unless there have been no nominations received prior to the election. We would strongly encourage the nominations to be handed in prior to the election to facilitate a smooth process. Nominees will be asked to introduce themselves and say a few words prior to the vote.

Voting Process:

The vote will take place by secret ballot. Ballots with the nominees will be handed out to each eligible member in good standing and their name will be checked off when they receive their ballot. Each eligible member in good standing will have one vote for each position within their division. High School division will vote for their Student Executive Committee and Juniors will vote for their Student Executive Committee.

Ballots will be handed to no less than two members of the Board of Directors and votes will be counted by those Board Members. The Nominee with the most votes in each position will hold that position for the current rodeo season.

Duties:

President: The Student President and Junior Student President for each region will have duties which include, but are not limited to:

- i) Working with the Board of Directors on projects such as fundraising, membership drives, and promotions.
- ii) Will be a liaison between the Student Members and the Board of Directors on any issues or concerns which may arise from time to time. Including gathering information and opinions from the Student Members on any and all issues affecting them, where input is required from the Student Members.
- iii) Will organize activities for the Student Members to participate in, such as fundraising activities, dances, dummy roping, recreational activities, etc.
- iv) Will give interviews with media, such as newspapers, radio stations, television stations and social media as required by the Board of Directors.
- v) Will promote HSR of BC on all social media platforms used by the association.

Vice President: The Student Vice President and Junior Vice President for each region will have duties which include but are not limited to:

- i) Assisting the Student President in all duties outlined about as needed.
- ii) Be part of the conversations and decision-making processes which need to take place within the President's duties.
- iii) Step in for the Student President if they are unable to fulfil their obligations.

Secretary: The Student Secretary and Junior Secretary for each region will have duties which include but are not limited to:

- i) Assisting the Student President and Vice President in duties outlined above.
- ii) The Secretary is often the Banner and/or Grand Entry representative (but not required)
- iii) Be a part of the conversations and decision-making processes outlined in the President's duties.

5) MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR

The Membership Coordinator is Christine Jones, as of the beginning of the 2024-2025 Season as a contract position and separate from the Secretary position, due to the National Database (MMS) being accessible only by the Provincial Secretary (February 25, 2021 HSR of BC Director Resolution)

6) MEMBERSHIP DUES

i) **Junior Membership**

Junior Membership dues are \$225 prior to midnight July 31st of the new season
\$275 after August 1st of the new season

ii) **Senior Membership**

Senior Membership dues are \$275 prior to midnight July 31st of the new season
\$325 after August 1st of the new season

iii) **Associate Membership**

Associate Membership dues are \$25 per year, there will one Associate Membership included with each paid Competing Membership with a maximum of two Associates per family. (as per member vote at AGM Williams Lake, May 3, 2019)
Membership Dues may only be changed by normal resolution at the Annual General Meeting. May 6, 2016, these dues were voted in.

(Membership increase approved April of 2023 by \$50 after due date, and another \$25 increase due to an increase at the National level)

7) MANDATORY FAMILY SPONSORSHIP INCENTIVE

Voted on by special resolution May 2016 AGM in Williams Lake.

- i) The goal of the MFSI was that all members help to solicit sponsorship for the HSR of BC to operate. Primarily sponsorship money will be used to offset the cost of the Finals Rodeos and to help purchase awards.
- ii) The intent is for members to solicit sponsorship and to not have to pay an extra fee. If members choose to pay the incentive rather than find sponsorship, that is their choice.
- iii) The incentive is \$300 per family which has one or more competing members. A cheque postdated to February 1 must be included in the membership application. Or the family may choose to pay their \$300 up front with membership fees.
- iv) If the family obtains a sponsor of \$300 or more for the Provincial Association, they may apply to the treasurer for a refund via email.
- v) Money for any provincial raffle, honey sales or any in-kind or group fundraiser money received for the North or South funds do not qualify as sponsorship.

8) MEMBERSHIP

Student Memberships must be received by the membership coordinator 7 days prior to the closing entry date of the first rodeo the student wishes to enter. (Amended to 7 days from 14 days prior to opening entry date Director's Resolution March 29, 2022)

- i) Members living in either Region must decide/declare upon registration where they want to rodeo and must stay within that region for the remainder of the year. Should they change Regions during a regular season, no points are carried with them to their new Region (BCHSRA Director resolution 2017)
- ii) Student members must also be members of National High School Rodeo Association. National forms must be uploaded to the NHSRA's Membership Management System on the individual Member's profile. (NHSRA process change 2019-2020 Season)
- iii) All membership forms including required notarized documents and report cards verifying education status must be submitted for a member to be in good standing, as per the current directions outlined on the website. (bchsra.ca and NHSRA Rulebook)

9) REPORT CARD SUBMISSION

- i) **Report cards are due when received to bchsra.reportcards@gmail.com** the contestants National Profile. Final report card from the grade just finished will be submitted with Membership to the NHSRA Membership profile as well as emailed to bchsra.reportcards@gmail.com the contestants National Profile. (Change implemented during the 2025-2026 season)
- ii) If member is unable to submit report card on or before required due date, they must notify Report Card Director in advance in writing to make arrangements for report card submission. This may occur during holidays or emergencies. In the case where school district reporting period, such as semesters and terms do not match the HSR of BC reporting period, **the most recent report card should be submitted until the current one is available to be submitted.**

10) DISQUALIFICATIONS, INELEGIBLE AND SUPSENSIONS

- i) The NHSRA Rules and Guidelines will be used for all rule infractions.
- ii) BCHSRA has a "NO TOLERANCE" stance on rowdyism, quarrelling, bullying or fighting. See the NHSRA Rule Book for reference to disqualification and conduct.
- iii) BCHSRA prohibits any member to or person on grounds of a HSR of BC event to ride without a bridle (no halters allowed) from the time they arrive at a HSR of BC event until the time that they leave the rodeo grounds, or practice arena. There will be one verbal warning given, a subsequent offence will result in a written offence, this offence will result in disqualification for the remainder of current event and all points earned will be forfeited for the current event. (HSR of BC Directors Resolution Nov. 23, 2021)

- iv) Members owing outstanding fees to HSR of BC or a sanctioned rodeo committee will not be eligible to enter a rodeo until all outstanding fees have been paid. NSF fees will be \$30, members may be put on a “cash only” basis and committee rodeo secretaries will be notified of “cash only” members. Outstanding balances from a previous season must be paid in full before a new membership application will be accepted.
(HSR of BC Directors resolution July 15, 2020)

11) RODEO COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

Rodeo Approval

- i) Rodeos (including shooting events or cutting/reined cow horse events) may be applied for by individuals, associated members or groups or by the Regional Committee. Optional events, (cutting, RCH and shooting) may be applied to on a separate sanction within a rodeo sanction’s dates.
- ii) The Regional Committee will determine if they are financially supporting a rodeo. The Board will determine if a rodeo is approved or not.
- iii) Rodeo sanction approval forms must be received by the Provincial Secretary 60 days prior to the requested date to secure that date. They will then be voted on by the Board of Directors for approval, then by NHSRA via Activity Form sent by Provincial Secretary. Once approved by NHSRA, sanction dates will be advertised on bchsra.ca. Any amendments to sanctions must be received by the Provincial secretary no less than 14 days prior to event dates, with the exception of an emergency change of date of venue due to circumstances beyond our control (2021 AGM membership vote)

12) RODEO INSURANCE

- i) As of the 2020 Season, the HSR of BC will handle all insurance and will bill Rodeo Committees for their portion of the Rodeo Insurance. This change was made due to changes in insurance policies. The Insurance Director will obtain insurance for all HSR of BC Rodeos, other than Shooting Events, where insurance must be provided via the venue, and proof of this insurance will be provided to the Insurance Director and/or the Provincial Secretary by the Shooting Coordinator prior to the event.

13) FIRST AID

- i) Each rodeo must have a Safety Plan as required by the NHSRA Rules and Guidelines. The Sanction form may be used as the Safety Plan as long as it contains all of the required information. See NHSRA Rulebook for clarification page 150.
- ii) Safety Plans must be submitted to the NHSRA office by the HSR of BC when submitting sanction forms.

14) RODEO STOCK

i) Stock Contractors must try to meet NHSRA rules on stock. There are times that stock is difficult to find in British Columbia and a committee will have to determine if the stock is “good enough” to proceed with the rodeo. While price of stock may be used in hiring a stock contractor, it should not be the only factor. Efforts should be made to meet the NHSRA requirements. There will be a Director for each Region who will oversee the hiring of stock contractors, there will be a list of approved stock contractors available for committees. (2018 HSR of BC Director’s Resolution)

ii) NHSRA Rulebook change (2020-2022 Edition) Junior Bulls or Junior Steers may used at their rodeos.

EVENT SPECIFIC – RULE CHANGE BY NHSRA 2023 MID WINTER MEETINGS, WITH ALLOWANCE FOR PROVINCIAL/STATE BOARD SPECIFIC RULE ADOPTION

HIGH SCHOOL BREAKAWAY ROPING will be a clean bell collar catch only, any leg or tailhead in the loop will result in a no time. Two loops will be allowed at Regional Rodeos and Provincial Finals at the discretion of the Judges and/or Arena Director. (see specifics on 2 loop rules in the NHSRA Rulebook, Breakaway Roping page 70. One loop only at co-approved rodeos. **THIS BELL COLLAR CATCH RULE DOES NOT APPLY TO THE JUNIOR DIVISION**

15) TIMING

- i) Timed events using hand timers (TD, SW, TR, GT, BAR) will be scored to the 1/10th second. Timed events using electronic timers (BA, PB) will be scored to the 1/100th second.
- ii) **Timers should be made aware to record the times even when a competitor is flagged out, then write the “No Time” in after the time is recorded.**
- iii) In consideration for animal welfare, there will be a 30 second time limit in the timed events in the Junior and High School Divisions, with one (1) minute option in the TD, BA, GT, SW, CD, RR, TR. This option will be determined by the Arena Director and Judges and announced to the competitors (NHSRA Rulebook change 2018) **BCHSRA ALLOWS 1 MINUTE IN THE JUNIOR TIE DOWN UNLESS IT IS DEEMED NOT TO BE THE CASE BY THE ARENA DIRECTOR AND/OR JUDGES AT A PARTICULAR RODEO.** The (JR) Bareback Steer Riding and Bareback Saddle bronc Riding are a required 6 second ride, Junior Bull Riding is a required 8 second ride. All High School Level rough stock events require an 8 second ride.

16) OTHER AND OPTIONAL EVENTS

CUTTING, REINED COW HORSE AND SHOOTING DO NOT COUNT TOWARDS SEASON LEADER ALL AROUND BECAUSE THEY ARE OPTIONAL EVENTS AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL. CUTTING AND REINED COW HORSE DO COUNT TOWARDS ALL AROUND AT PROVINCIAL FINALS BECAUSE THEY ARE MANDATORY TO BE OFFERED AT FINALS. SHOOTING EVENTS DO NOT COUNT TOWARDS ALL AROUND AT PROVINCIAL FINALS. (PLEASE NOTE THESE ARE NATIONAL RULES)

- i) It is highly recommended for rodeo committees to host the Cutting and Reined Cow Horse events at their regional rodeos in an effort to increase the quality and quantity of the Provincial Team. Must be offered a minimum of three times in each Region in order for that Region to have their members qualified to Provincial Finals. Members do not have to compete three times, but must have at least one qualified score in their event and be in the top 12 in their event in order to compete at Provincial Finals.
- ii) These events may be held separately from the rodeo locations.
- iii) These events will follow the NCHA (Cutting) and NRCHA (Reined Cow Horse) rulebooks when not in conflict or undetermined by the NHSRA Rulebook.
- iv) Small Bore and Trap events will be offered three times to be a Nationals Qualifier event, and will follow the NHSRA Rulebook. Insurance for Shooting events will be provided by the Gun Club hosting the event.

17) POSTING RESULTS

Every effort should be made to post results in an easily visible place for viewing by competitors and media as soon as possible after each event is completed. Where possible, unofficial results will be posted to Rodeo Management on bchsra.ca until audited and official results are posted. (HSR of BC Director motion, 2020)

18) ONE RODEO SPLIT OVER 2 DAYS OPTION

Committees may choose the option to host one rodeo over 2 days. NHSRA rules state that one performance must be completed before another performance can begin.

19) SLACK PERFORMANCES

Rodeo committee may only offer a slack performance or set ups to accommodate competitors who are graduating and require changes due to grad functions. **** ONLY FOR GRADUATES **** A slack performance is ONLY available at High School Provincial Finals. This is not an option for a prom date, or for a sibling's grad, you must be a graduate to be eligible for slack.

20) LOCAL ENTRIES

Non-member competitor will be eligible to enter all days of one rodeo weekend. The Local Entry will pay non-member fees for each and every day they enter. Only one rodeo weekend may be chosen to be used as a "Local" entry. Points earned while competing as a "Local" non-member are not transferable upon purchase of a membership. A one-time entrant form must be filled out and signed by the parents and the rodeo secretary. This form must be forwarded to Provincial Secretary. There will be a \$20 Insurance fee to be paid by the Local Contestant, which in turn will be paid to NHSRA with a one time entry roster sent by the Provincial Secretary each season.

21) ENTERING RODEOS

Only contestants with all required education reports cards on file with the association may enter a rodeo.

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED and there will be no exceptions to this rule.

On-line, email and call-in entry dates and times will be posted on the association website.

If a student arrives at the rodeo without completed entry forms, they will only be eligible to compete at that rodeo with the signature of the Board Representative

- i) A (non-signed entry form) form will be provided, explaining the guidelines and repercussions of this will be signed at the rodeo by the competitor and the Board Representative.
- ii) The competitor will have until Thursday following the rodeo in question to produce the proper forms with all required signatures to the Provincial Secretary of HSR of BC.
- iii) Failure to submit all entry forms with all required signatures will result in loss of all points earned at the rodeo in question.
- iv) There will be no exceptions to this rule.
- v) The Board Representatives are the Officers of the HSR of BC (as of board resolution Oct.18, 2017)

22) VET AND MEDICAL RELEASE

- i) All required vet or medical release forms must be received by the association secretary by the Thursday following the rodeo in question. Vet releases must be presented to the rodeo secretary to release the contestant. Page 35 NHSRA Rulebook. ADMIN FEES ARE STILL DUE AND PAYABLE IF CONTESTANT MEDICALS OR VETS OUT AFTER ENTRIES ARE CLOSED (\$15/DAY CURRENT RATE)
- ii) If TR partner is a non-notified turn out or is a no show, then the remaining team roper is not eligible to compete. If the TR partner Medical Releases out, then the remaining partner may pick up a new partner that is entered in the rodeo.

iii) A \$25 stock fee will be charged for a non-notified turn out. (HSR of BC Directors resolution 2019)

23) GRAND ENTRY

- i) The Grand Entry will be held at the beginning of each rodeo performance to showcase the sponsors and to show appreciation for their involvement in our sport and association.
- ii) The grand entry coordinator will post a list at the rodeo office for the competitors who are required to take part in the grand entry. This list will be made up of the first and last competitors in each event, at each rodeo.
- iii) If a competitor on the list is unable to take part in the grand entry, it is that competitors' responsibility to find a replacement for themselves and notify the grand entry coordinator and/or the announcer with their replacement information. Failure to do so will be documented and will result in disciplinary action for repeat offences.

24) QUEEN EVENT (edited April 2021, deleted all areas outlined in NHSRA Rulebook)

i. Hosting

- (1) It is highly recommended for rodeo committees to offer the Queen events at their regional rodeos in an effort to increase the quality and quantity of the Provincial Team.
- (2) Committee must supply 3 Queen Event judges. Two judges one alternate judge to be used in case of a tie.
- (3) One entry in the Queen Event will constitute an event.
- (4) The Queen Event should be offered at least one day of each rodeo weekend and all association turn-out, conduct and competition rules apply.
- (5) All judges score sheets will be supplied by the HSR of BC Queen Director and a BCHSRA Queen Representative will be available to help committees host a successful event.
- (6) Guidelines, including speech topics, horsemanship patterns and dress code are to be posted on the HSR of BC website each year.
- (7) points in each year.

ii. Judging

- (1) At regional rodeos contestants will be judged in the following categories: Modeling (25 points); Personality (25 points); Appearance (25 points); Prepared Speech (50 points); Impromptu Speech (25 points); Horsemanship (50 Points). A maximum of 175 points per contestant per judge.
- (2) At the Provincial Finals contestants will be judged in the following categories: Modeling (25 points); Personality (25 points); Appearance (25 points);

Prepared Speech (50 points); Impromptu Speech (25 points); Horsemanship (50 points); Personal Interview (50 Points); Written Test (25 Points). A maximum of 250 points per contestant per judge, plus a maximum of 25 points for the written test will be used.

iii. Horsemanship Patterns

Horsemanship patterns are determined by the National High School Rodeo Association Rules and Regulations Handbook.

iv. Queen Awards – the State/Provincial contest will be the qualifying event for the girl who is to represent that State/Province at the National Queen Contest at the NHSFR. (page 139 NHSRA Rulebook – Qualifications, section b)

- (1) The Queen Event competitor earning the most BC Provincial Finals points in all judged divisions will be named BC High School Rodeo Queen.
- (2) The Queen Event competitor earning the second most BC Provincials Finals point in all judged divisions will be named BC High School Rodeo Princess.
- (3) The Queen Committee will determine all other Queen Event awards each year based on event enrollment and sponsorship involvement. Awards determined by total high scores may include: Horsemanship Award, Public Speaking Award, Modeling Award, and Appearance Award.
- (4) The Queen Committee may also choose to offer a Miss Congeniality Award each year based on event enrollment and sponsorship involvement. The Miss Congeniality Award will be voted by all Queen Event competitors at the BC High School Rodeo Finals. This will be a secret ballot style voting process, and in the case of a tie, the outgoing Queen and/or Princess may be asked to cast a ballot.
- (5) If for some reason, the BC High School Rodeo Queen cannot fulfill her duties, then the BC High School Rodeo Princess will take her place.
- (6) Season Leaders in the North and South Regions will be named North Ambassador or South Ambassador if they are not the Queen or Princess and may act as HSR of BC representatives within their region as determined by the enrollment and sponsorship involvement.

v. Representation of High School Rodeos of BC

- (1) The BC High School Rodeo Queen will represent the HSR of BC and the Province of British Columbia from the Provincial Finals to the Provincial Finals each year in accordance with her signed contract, including, but not limited to:
 - a) Competing for National High School Rodeo Queen. (mandatory)
 - b) Attending promotional events approve by and on behalf of HSR of BC
- (2) The BC High School Rodeo Princess will represent the HSR of BC and the Province of British Columbia from finals to finals each year, including, but not limited to:

- a) Competing for Silver State High School Rodeo Queen (optional)
- b) Attending promotional events approve by and on behalf of HSR of BC

25) CUTTING EVENT/REINED COW HORSE

(1) It is highly recommended that rodeo committees host the Boys and Girls Cutting events and the Reined Cow Horse event at their regional rodeos in an effort to increase the quality and quantity of the Provincial Team.

(2) Points earned in the Cutting Event count towards the Boys and Girls All Around Standings at Provincial Finals and not for Season Leader All Around as per NHSRA Rule book, as HSR of BC offers these as “optional events”, therefor they are not required but recommended for regional rodeos. (NHSRA rule forever but was not included in our Handbook, added here 2021)

26) REGIONS

- i. There will be two regions. The South Region and the North Region.
 - (1) Quesnel and north will be the North Region.
 - (2) South of Quesnel will be the South Region.
- ii. Members living in either Region can decide/declare at the beginning of the year where they want to rodeo and must stay there for the remainder of the year. If a member should choose to change Regions, they take no points with them.
- iii. Co Approvals with the North and South Regions will only be approved for rodeos within approx. 160 kms North or South of Quesnel.
- iv. Provincial Finals Qualifications by Region
 - (1) The top 12 contestants in each event from each region will qualify for the Provincial Finals.
 - (2) Top 15 from each region to enter the finals and roll-ups will only be allowed from the top 15 in that region.

27) AWARDS

- i. Season Leader Awards will be given to the competitor who earns the highest number of points in each of the events offered in each the North Region and South Region.

- II. Awards will be determined by the awards committee each season. Season Leader awards do not include points earned at the Provincial Finals.

- III. Senior Event award categories are as follows:

Saddle Bronc	Barrel Racing
Bareback	Pole Bending
Bull Riding	Goat Tying
Tie Down Roping	Breakaway Roping
Steer Wrestling	Reined Cow Horse (co-ed)
Team Roping – header	Queen Event
Team Roping – heeler	Shooting Events
Boys Cutting	All Around (Cowboy and Cowgirl)
Girls Cutting	Rookie (Cowboy and Cowgirl)

Junior Event Award categories are as follows:

Saddle Bronc Steer Riding	Barrel Racing
Bareback Steer Riding	Pole Bending
Junior Bull Riding	Girls Goat Tying
Girls Breakaway Roping	Boys Goat Tying
Boys Breakaway Roping	Ribbon Roping – Roper
Junior Tie Down Roping	Ribbon Roping -- Runner
Chute Dogging	Shooting Events
Team Roping – header	All Around (Cowboy and Cowgirl)
Team Roping – heeler	Rookie (Cowboy and Cowgirl)

- IV. Finals Championship Awards

Finals Champion Awards will be given to the competitor who earns the highest number of points in each of the events, including the points they bring into the finals, plus points earned during the finals. Awards will be determined by the awards committee each season based on the awards budget, fundraising and sponsorship involvement each year.

- V. Rookie Awards

Rookie awards will go to the highest placing rookie boy and girl at the end of the finals in the Junior High and High School categories.

- VI. Special Awards

1. **Nick Kalick Memorial Award** – Sportsmanship Award – presented to a student member and voted on by the student members

2. **Peggy McLeod Memorial Award** – Director Award – Presented to a director and voted on by the student members
3. **Frankie Kerr Memorial Award** – Two student members will be awarded - Presented to contestants who have contributed the most to the association. This is chosen by the Scholarship Foundation. Could be awarded to a non-competing member.
(FUNDS FOR THE FRANKIE KERR DEPLETED AT THE END OF THE 2023 SEASON)
4. **Wes DeRose Memorial Award** – Is anyone aware of any history on this award.
5. **Mona Elliott Memorial Award** - Rodeo Mom of the Year Award – New award honoring Mona. This award is voted on by the student members.
6. **Horse of the Year Awards** – Determined each year based on interest and sponsorship.

28) CINCH TEAM (program has been paused)

See current NHSRA website for the criteria used to choose the Cinch Team. Information is sent to the Provincial Secretary from NHSRA. This has been changed to the Cinch Leaders of Today as of Fall 2022, Nomination page and information can be found at NHSRA.com

29) DIRECTOR’S ELITE TEAM

Director’s Elite Team is an incentive suggested by the Student Directors (starting in the 2015-2016 Season) to recognize excellence in fundraising. Each athlete to bring in \$1000 or more in Sponsorship Funds prior to February 1 of the current season will earn a spot on the Director’s Elite Team. These members will receive a custom Cinch shirt to be presented at Provincial Finals. As this is an incentive, it will be \$1500 + per athlete and not per family, though the \$300 Family Sponsor fee can be used to top up a member’s sponsorship total if they so choose, and can be divided between siblings to top up their sponsorship total. In-kind contributions and group fundraisers cannot be used for Director’s Elite due to the difficulty in tracking the values of items and where credit should be given and divided.

2022/2023 Season Revised Requirements: Director’s Elite Team requirement is now \$1500 with an extra incentive for each \$500 brought in over and above the \$1500 minimum, the member will have their name put into a draw for an American Hat certificate or a similar incentive award. The draw will be done and the High School Division Provincial Finals of the given year.

30) SCHOLARSHIPS

- i. HSR of BC will award BC Finals Champions with an award scholarship in the amount of \$500 each for each event at the Provincial Finals, as well as two \$1000 scholarships, one to the All-Around Cowboy and one to the All-Around Cowgirl. (increase from \$250 and \$500 respectively by BOD agreement Spring 2023)
- ii. The HSR of BC Scholarship Foundation has other scholarships available each year. Grade 12 students are encouraged to apply for these each spring. Information is available on the bchsra.ca site.

- iii. There will be a \$300 Scholarship awarded to the High School Division Student President in each region, one is covered by National, BCHSRA will match that scholarship. BCHSRA will also award the High School Division Vice Presidents in each region a \$150 Scholarship (VP added spring 2023)

31) BC FINALS QUALIFICATIONS

- i. The top twelve competitors in EACH the North Region and South Region in each event will be eligible to enter the HSR of BC High School and Junior High Rodeo Finals.
- ii. The top 15 competitors in each region will enter. In the case that a top 12 competitors in a region cannot attend the HSR of BC High School Finals Rodeo, then the Region will roll-up from their top 15 positions to make up their top 12.
- iii. All contestants are required to sell one book of the yearly raffle tickets in order to be eligible to compete at finals-As voted upon by the membership at the 2025 Fall AGM

To qualify you must place in the top 12 in an event in your region, and be a member in good standing. (roll-ups to 15th place if positions become available.)

~~The Entry Secretary will be asked to take note that if a qualified member has not entered Provincial Finals or missed an event on their entries on the approach of the deadline for entries, the Entry Secretary will contact the National Director, who in turn will reach out to the member in question. This will be a reminder in good faith so that a qualified member does not miss entries for any reason. (HSR of BC Director's Resolution 2018)~~
(This rule has been struck from the Handbook by HSR Executive Board of Directors special resolution, June 2024 as it was felt that the rule takes the onus off of the member and puts it on the administration)

32) BC HIGH SCHOOL AND JUNIOR HIGH DIVISION FINALS FORMAT

- i. Members must enter and compete at the provincial HS and JR finals to be eligible for awards and to be part of the BC Teams going to National and Canadian Finals.
- ii. The BC Provincial Finals will be a 3 Go-Round Rodeo.
- iii. All Around points coming into the finals will be awarded with the same points format as all other events. Top twelve in the All-Around standings will bring points into finals. Each Finals competitor will be awarded points coming into the BC Finals based on how they placed in the season leader standings as follows:

POSITION POINTS BROUGHT IN TO FINALS

1 st	120 points	7 th	90 points
2 nd	115 points	8 th	85 points
3 rd	110 points	9 th	80 points
4 th	105 points	10 th	75 points
5 th	100 points	11 th	70 points
6 th	95 points	12 th	65 points

- iv. These will be combined with the points the competitor earns during the three go-rounds at the BC Finals to determine the BC Champions in each event. Go-round and Average points are awarded as follows:

GO-ROUND POINTS (AWARDED FOR EACH GO-ROUND)

1 st	30 points	6 th	15 points
2 nd	27 points	7 th	12 points
3 rd	24 points	8 th	9 points
4 th	21 points	9 th	6 points
5 th	18 points	10 th	3 points

- v. These points will be awarded by position in the average of the go-round points.

AVERAGE POINTS

1 st	40 points	6 th	21 points
2 nd	36 points	7 th	16 points
3 rd	32 points	8 th	12 points
4 th	28 points	9 th	8 points
5 th	24 points	10 th	4 points

- vi. ~~Bonus points will be awarded by totaling the position points and the points earned at finals (go-rounds and average), to maintain the use of the number of points required by NHSRA for each event. See page 43-44 of NHSRA Rulebook Option 1.~~

BONUS POINTS

1st	40 points	6th	21 points
2nd	36 points	7th	16 points
3rd	32 points	8th	12 points
4th	28 points	9th	8 points
5th	24 points	10th	4 points

*** BONUS POINTS WERE REMOVED BY NHSRA AS PER MID WINTER MEETINGS 2023**

GRADUATION NOTES:

BCHSRA will give \$100/graduating student towards the Cowboy Prom/Grad festivities out of the Provincial account. Remaining funds must be raised by fundraising efforts, sponsorships, donations and ticket sales for the event. (2022 BOD Motion)

33) NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL RODEO and NATIONAL JUNIOR FINALS

- i. Members must enter and compete at the provincial HS and JR finals to be eligible for awards and to be part of the BC Teams going to National and Canadian Finals.
- ii. The competitors finishing in 1st to 4th position at the BC High School Rodeo Finals in each event is eligible to represent the Province of British Columbia on the BC High School Rodeo Team at the National High School Rodeo Finals each year.
- iii. If the 1st to 4th placed competitors are opting not to attend, the 5th to 8th place competitors may roll-up into a BC Team position.
- iv. The newly crowned BC High School Rodeo Queen will represent the Province of British Columbia on the BC High School Rodeo Team at the National High School Rodeo Finals each year. The BC Team must include a queen.

34) SILVER STATE INTERNATIONAL RODEO (entry will be self-facilitated, not by BCHSRA)

- i. The competitors finishing in 5th to 8th position at the BC High School Rodeo Finals in each event are eligible to represent the Province of British Columbia on the BC High School Rodeo Team at the Silver State International High School Rodeo, in Winnemucca, Nevada each year.
- ii. If the 5th to 8th placed competitors are opting not to attend, the 9th to 15th place competitors may roll-up into a BC Team position, but no more than 6 competitors per event per team are allowed to represent the province.
- iii. If a competitor has qualified for the Silver State International Rodeo in one or more events, they may pick up one extra event. See Silver State International Rodeo website for more information: www.ssir.us
- iv. The newly crowned BC High School Rodeo Princess is eligible to represent the Province of British Columbia on the BC High School Rodeo Team at the Silver State International High School Rodeo, in Fallon, Nevada each year.

35) CANADIAN HIGH SCHOOL RODEO FINALS

- i. The competitors finishing in 1st to 5th position at the BC High School Rodeo Finals in each event are eligible to represent the Province of British Columbia on the BC High School Rodeo Team at the Canadian High School Rodeo Finals each year. The

number of qualifiers taken will be determined by the CHSFR Hosting committee and rollups will usually be taken to 8th or possibly 10th position.

- ii. If the 1st to 5th placed competitors are opting not to attend, the 5th to 8th/10th place competitors may roll-up into a BC Team position. (as per hosting committee)
- iii. The newly crowned BC High School Rodeo Queen will represent the Province of British Columbia on the BC High School Rodeo Team at the Canadian High School Rodeo Finals each year. The Princess is also encouraged to represent BCHSRA at the Canadian High School Finals Rodeo. (not a mandatory event)

36) NHSRA RULES AND GUIDELINES

All rules of the British Columbia High School Rodeo Association are governed first by the NHSRA Rule Book. Any conflicts from these guidelines will revert to the NHSRA Rule book for clarification.