



ACADEMY AWARDS PROGRAM

ASHA is proud to offer this unique program. All instructors, advisors and horse show committees are encouraged to promote academy classes in their areas. The development and appreciation of horsemanship and sportsmanship in our beginning Saddle Seat riders will develop skill and appreciation for the American Saddlebred that will last a lifetime.

ACADEMY AWARDS PROGRAM ENROLLMENT

ASHA membership is **REQUIRED** for participation in the Academy Awards program. For information on becoming a member, please contact ASHA at (859) 259-2742.

DEFINITION OF ACADEMY CLASS

An academy class is any class offered in a local tournament in which two or more stables are participating, or any class designated “academy” at an open show. To be eligible, participants in these classes must be riding a horse designated as a “school” horse, a horse used **REGULARLY** in lesson program instruction. Acceptable attire is jodhpurs or dark pants, boots, and dress shirt or sweatshirt bearing stable logo. Riding suits are unacceptable. Hard hats are optional.

HOW POINTS ARE EARNED

1 point: Participation in an academy riding or driving class.

1 point: Placing 2nd – 8th in an academy riding or driving class.

2 points: Placing 1st in an academy riding or driving class.

Points will be tabulated throughout the show year, beginning October 1 and ending September 30 of the following year. An official point sheet verifying an individual’s participation and placement in academy classes must be signed by **BOTH** the rider and the instructor or Youth Club advisor, and submitted to ASHA by October 31 of the award year.

To qualify for an award, a total of 15 points must be accumulated during a single show year in either juvenile (17 and under) or adult (18 and over) divisions. Points earned in one year may **NOT** be carried forward into a subsequent show year.

AWARDS

A bronze medallion will be awarded for earning 15 points in the first year of competition, a silver medallion for 15 points in the second year, and a gold for 15 points in each additional year. Only one medallion per year may be earned by an individual competitor.

POINT REPORTS

Copies of the Academy Awards Official Point Reports can be downloaded at <https://www.asha.net/clubs/youthawards/>