



REGION 3 (AHA) — AHYA YOUTH DIRECTOR / VICE DIRECTOR APPLICATION

Application Year: _____

Position

Select one: Regional Youth Director Regional Youth Vice Director

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicant must be at least 14 years old as of December 1 of the application year.
- Applicant must not be more than 18 years old as of December 1 of the application year.
- Applicant must be a current AHA youth member affiliated with Region 3 and in good standing at the time of consideration, and must remain eligible throughout the term of office.

Term of Office

- One-year term, with a maximum of two (2) terms.
- The term begins immediately following the annual AHYA Convention.

Regional Mission

To connect Region 3 youth clubs to AHYA programs and leadership opportunities, strengthen communication across the region, and grow positive participation with the Arabian, Half-Arabian, and Anglo-Arabian horse.

Key Responsibilities (Regional + National)

- Maintain regular communication with the AHA Region 3 Director (adult), Region 3 Youth Coordinator (adult) and any designated mentor(s).
- Attend Region 3 meetings as requested and present the AHYA quarterly report and/or youth updates.

- Cooperate with the Region 3 Youth Program Co-Coordinator to develop and deliver regional youth programming.
- Facilitate at least two (2) Region 3 youth meetings per year (e.g., one at a regional show and one in conjunction with a regional meeting/mini-convention and/or via Zoom).
- Assist with regional fundraising or sponsorship efforts that support youth activities.
- Submit quarterly regional reports to AHA/AHYA as required.
- Participate on AHYA committees and recommend youth from Region 3 for committee service.
- Promote and volunteer for national AHYA fundraising initiatives.
- Support recruitment and retention of youth members, and help local clubs elect delegates for the annual AHYA Convention.
- Represent Region 3 and AHYA professionally at local AHA club meetings and at other youth organizations when invited (4-H, FFA, Pony Club, all-breed clubs, etc.).

Travel / Attendance Expectations

- AHYA Youth Directors are typically expected to attend three (3) AHYA Board meetings per calendar year and the AHYA Youth Convention (often held in conjunction with the July Board meeting and Youth Nationals).
- Some meetings may be hybrid (in-person + virtual). Travel and availability should be discussed with your parent/guardian and the Region 3 Youth Program Co-Coordinator.

Applicant Information

Full Name: _____

Date: _____

Home Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Mailing Address (if different):

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY):

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

AHA Region 3 Club: _____

AHA Member Number: _____

Club Contact Name: _____

Club Contact Phone: _____

Club Contact Email: _____

School / Grade Level: _____

GPA: _____

Applicant & Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment

I have reviewed the Regional Youth Director/Vice Director responsibilities with my parent/guardian. If selected, I agree to fulfill these responsibilities, uphold all standards set forth by AHA and AHYA, and represent Region 3 and AHYA to the best of my ability.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Required Application Materials (Attach)

- Current photo (headshot preferred).
- Three (3) letters of recommendation (not from family members):
 - One from an officer of a Region 3 AHA club
 - One academic reference (teacher, counselor, coach, etc.)
 - One additional reference of your choice
- Completed reference list (template below).
- Typewritten answers to the questions in the next section.

Submission Instructions

Email your completed application package as a single PDF by ****June 15**** of the application year.

Subject line format: "Region 3 AHYA Youth Director Application — [Last Name], [First Name] — [Year]"

Send to the Region 3 Youth Program Co-Coordinator: deborah@renotahoearabians.com

• Questions: _____

Applications will be reviewed by the Region 3 committee. Selections are typically completed by ****July 15**** of the application year.

Short Answer Questions (Typewritten)

1. How long have you been involved with horses, and specifically with Arabian breeds?
2. Is your family involved with equine activities? If yes, in what ways and for how long?
3. What accomplishments (in and out of horses) are you most proud of, and why?
4. What leadership qualities and experiences do you bring that will help you succeed in this role?
5. Who or what has inspired you, and how has that shaped you?
6. If selected as Region 3 Youth Director/Vice Director, what are your top three priorities for the year?
7. For each priority above, describe how you will accomplish it (key actions, timeline, and who you will involve).
8. Region 3 may provide basic travel support for required national attendance (e.g., AHYA Convention and Board meetings). Will you be able to participate and represent Region 3 at local, regional, and national levels as needed? Please explain any constraints.
9. List school programs/clubs you participate in and any offices held (current or past).
10. List community/volunteer activities and any leadership roles (current or past).

Personal References (Attach letters)

Please list three (3) references below and attach the three corresponding letters of recommendation.

1. Name: _____

Organization/Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship: _____

2. Name: _____

Organization/Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship: _____

3. Name: _____

Organization/Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship: _____