

## **Maryland High School Rodeo Association, Inc. Mustang Member Information 2024-2025**

We are very glad you are joining or renewing your membership with the Mustang Division of the Maryland High School Rodeo Association (MDHSRA). We have an exciting year planned for our cowboys and cowgirls. On Page 3 you will find a set of instructions and links forms that must be completed to join or renew your membership.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our State Secretary, Tammy Walbert at [marylandhighschoolrodeo@gmail.com](mailto:marylandhighschoolrodeo@gmail.com) or 443-783-3937, our National Director, Kurt Walbert at [kwalbert68@gmail.com](mailto:kwalbert68@gmail.com) or 443-978-0327 or see our website ([www.mdhsra.org](http://www.mdhsra.org)).

### **Member Eligibility Requirements:**

1. Must currently be attending school: kindergarden-5th grade or participating in an approved home school curriculum.
2. Must maintain a passing grade in 70% of your classes throughout the year.
3. Must be up to date with all Rodeo event fees and MDHSRA dues. Mustang dues are \$75 paid with membership forms.
4. Must participate in annual fundraisers (raffle tickets, 50/50's, bake sales, etc.).

### **General Information:**

Generally, we have two performances in one rodeo weekend/day – when you call-in you will be entered in both performances unless you specify otherwise. Check-in times and other event information will be posted on the website prior to call-ins. Every rodeo has a mandatory contestant meeting before the start of the rodeo – roll call will be taken, if you miss this meeting you may not be permitted to compete. During check-in and the contestant meeting, contestants must be in dress code, including back number, and must remain in dress code until after the performance. All information regarding call-ins and performance details and schedules will be posted to the MDHSRA website ([www.mdhsra.org](http://www.mdhsra.org)).

### **Rodeo Call-ins and Entry Fees:**

Details on how to enter an MDHSRA hosted rodeo will be posted on [www.mdhsra.org](http://www.mdhsra.org) and other social media outlets, including a specific time period for call-ins. After the call-in time period, entries are closed. If you miss call-ins you will not be permitted to sign up for a rodeo.

Entry fees are required for EACH rodeo and MUST be paid in cash or with a credit/debit card – checks are not accepted for entry fees. Entry fees for all performances during the weekend must be paid during check-in prior to the start of the first performance. Entry fees will be posted on the event info sheet.

If we rodeo at events hosted by other states, the entry fees may vary and will be set by the host state. If you have called-in and turn out or are a no-show, you are still responsible for entry fees which must be paid before you will be allowed to rodeo again. If you have called in and vet-out or med-out (injury or illness to the horse or contestant), you are not responsible for entry fees (must provide letter from a vet or doctor to the MDHSRA secretary-see MDHSRA handbook for more information).

### Rodeo Dress Code

- Western hat/helmet, long-sleeve western shirt, jeans, cowboy boots, belt
- Back number (provided at first attended rodeo)

Once again, we are excited that you are joining or renewing your membership with MDHSRA. Please look to MDHSRA.org for the MDHSRA handbook, bylaws and NHSRA rule book for more information.

Contestants and parents are responsible for knowing the rules of rodeo and each event. Please follow the steps on page 3 of this document carefully to complete or renew your membership. We look forward to a great season!

## **MDHSRA Mustang Membership Instructions:**

Mustang contestants must print all forms and submit prior to the first rodeo. All forms are available on [MDHSRA.org/membership/](http://MDHSRA.org/membership/) under the Mustang section. Forms can be mailed to MDHSRA: PO Box 415, Ellicott City, MD 21043 or brought to your first rodeo.

- 🇺🇸 MDHSRA Student Membership Application
- 🇺🇸 NHSRA Minor Release Form – signed by contestant and both parents – MUST BE NOTARIZED
- 🇺🇸 MDHSRA Code of Conduct: MUST BE SIGNED
- 🇺🇸 Copy of birth certificate (new members only)
- 🇺🇸 Copy of most recent report card (last report card from previous quarter/grade)
- 🇺🇸 Fees payable to Maryland High School Rodeo Association, Inc. \$75.00