



WSRBA YOUTH CONTEST CONTACT INFO:

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WSRBA 2023 YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT CONTEST

PURPOSE

To acknowledge outstanding achievement and leadership by WSRBA youth members in the rabbit and/or cavy industry, as measured by activities and leadership in organizations and associations, performance at the show table, achievements in breeding and raising animals and the vision and goals set for themselves and their project.

RULES

- 1 Any WSRBA youth member is eligible to compete.
- 2 Applications are to be composed and completed by the contestant.
- 3 Up to seven pages and less than 4500 words, printed on one side only, may be submitted by the applicant.
- 4 Include your name and age division at the top of each page of information submitted.

CATEGORIES

Divisions are: Junior (Ages 5 to 11 years), Intermediate (Ages 12 to 14 years), and Senior (Ages 15 -18 years). Age is determined by the contestant's age on the last day of the State Convention, September 10. Winners will be announced at the WSRBA Virtual Annual Meeting.

SCORING CRITERIA

Applications will be judged on the following criteria: Achievement (60 points); Leadership (50 points); Goals & Plans for the Future (40 points); Clarity & Thoroughness of Answers (30 points); Neatness & Appearance of Application (20 points). Applications that do not follow the rules listed above will be assessed a penalty of 10 points per infraction, with the exception of late applications which will be assessed a penalty of 20 points for up to one week late and disqualification for later than one week.

ENTRY PROCEDURES

All entries must be completed by 11:59:59 p.m. on **August 1, 2023**. E-mail completed questions and contestant information page to wsrbabulletin@aol.com. Please note that the ARBA deadline for this contest is 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on September 1, 2023. We will be providing timely feedback for youth to submit their applications at the national level.

Mail entries to: Angela Penterman
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QUESTIONS

- 1 When did you join the WSRBA and how many consecutive years have you belonged? Explain any lapses in membership.
- 2 List the rabbit or cavy organizations that you are currently a member of (use full names), and any office or committee positions that you hold within those organizations.
- 3 List any rabbit or cavy activities that you have participated in since January 1, 2021.
- 4 How are you involved in rabbit or cavy organizations that you are not a member of?
- 5 Give 2-3 examples where you've personally helped another exhibitor at a show or rabbit/cavy event. Describe the circumstance and what you learned in the process.
- 6 Describe any rabbit or cavy activities, educational displays and/or presentations that you have developed to make others aware of your project(s).
- 7 Explain how you have helped others learn new skills and increased their knowledge of this hobby.
- 8 Make a table or a list of any awards you have won individually or as a member of a group since January 1, 2021. (1st place Breed ID, Washington Co., Missouri Rabbit Prince, etc.) Choose 2 or 3 of the most important award(s) you have won individually or as a member of a group within your project. Explain why those awards are important to you.
- 9 Make a table or a list of your animal wins since January 1, 2021. Choose 2 or 3 of the most important award(s) you have won with your animals. Explain why those awards are important to you.
- 10 What goals have you set for yourself with regards to your rabbit or cavy project?
- 11 What goals have you achieved to this point in your project?
- 12 What goals are you struggling to achieve and why? Do you plan to change anything within your project to achieve those goals?