

NBEA youth bursary 2025

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Essay #1

Since I was a little girl, I grew up around horses. I started riding when I was 6 years old with my Aunt on her big thoroughbred show horse. One year later after riding some Dressage, I figured out that I really wanted to be in the Hunters and I was getting pretty serious about the sport. I then joined the White Hills pony club and started having lessons with Sheila Pickrell on lesson ponies. After a while we finally leased my first pony Abbey but it didn't really work out! We leased one more pony Pickle and showed him for a year. Then after that, we finally bought my first pony, that was 2 years ago. His name is Aerious! He is 14.15 hands, he's a gelding and his colour is a paint. He is a very talented jumper! This year we are going to the Cove Side Show series for the 3rd year in a row and I will also be riding in some NBEA local shows, and possibly a Quebec show and many clinics. We are doing pony development 2'6" and my goal is by the end of the year to do large pony hunter 2'9".

Essay #2

If I was awarded the 2025 bursary of \$500, I would use it towards some riding clinics to prep myself and improve my riding skills for show season. With my long term goals in mind this year, I will be riding in a few clinics such as the LTED clinics in Moncton, the Hyde clinic in Fredericton and a few other local clinics. I would also be using some of the bursary towards my horse shows' expenses this year. I will be participating in about 7 to 8 horse shows this year so I can get the experience to further my interest and riding skills and become a better rider. This in turn will help me with my goal to qualify in a couple of years for The Royal Winter Fair in Toronto.