

100-200 word essay describing your horse interests and experiences

Hi! I'm Chloé! My equestrian journey started at horse camp when I was four, and I began western riding lessons at eight. I find caring for and working with horses so rewarding, and the horses are like family to me. As we spent more time at the stables, we built relationships with boarders that led to long lasting friendships and opportunities to train with their "fancier" horses, while still working with the lesson horses we loved. All through 2021, I had the chance to train in dressage, instructed by Finnish exchange student and my lovely mount Lily.

I volunteered at horse camp for three years. In 2025, I got my western rider levels 1 and 2. I also achieved my English levels 1, 2 and 3. I also began taking online courses from Equine Guelph and now have eleven course completion certificates. When my instructor retired, she left us the horse that I had been riding since the start, Eddie.

When I was 11, I began leasing a miniature horse named Oreo and in 2022, I was lucky enough to have a foal from her, named Flurry. She became my second horse, which I have trained from the ground up.

100-200 word essay indicating how you would spend the money

Achieving both my Western and English rider levels has been one of my long-time goals. It is an opportunity to guide and track progress in my riding and a big first step to becoming an EC licensed coach, something I also wish to accomplish. I would love to achieve the highest level in both disciplines.

This scholarship will support my riding lessons to help achieve these goals, as well as lighting the way to begin competing this summer. As I am going off to post-secondary education in September, I hope to lease a horse and/or take riding lessons during the school year. Travel to and from the stables also represents a significant cost, which would be alleviated thanks to this scholarship.