

September 30, 2017

Dear 20X High School Showcase Contestant,

Congratulations on being selected for the 2018 20X High School Showcase Rodeo Jan. 28th at 1:00 p.m. You accomplished this by finishing in the top three of your event, in your region, for the 2017 High School Rodeo season. This rodeo began in 2003 as a dream of my husband, Steve Sutton. He wanted to showcase the great talent we have in the SD High School Rodeo ranks during our PRCA Rodeo in Rapid City, SD. He wanted to see the SDHSR athletes compete in the same arena as the PRCA World Champions and SD Rodeo Legends.

Contestants enter at the NW entrance door of the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, where there will be a contestant list with security. Contestant check-in begins at 10:30 am and ends at 11:30 am. The contestant meeting is at 11:30 & team picture will be taken at 11:45 am. Trailer parking is in the NW parking lot of the Civic Center. Contestants can ride in the arena from 8:00-10:00 am only. There are no stalls available at the Civic Center, but the Central States Fair does rent stalls out at the fairgrounds. Call Central States Fairgrounds for information and requirements to stall.

There is a \$20 entry fee per contestant which is due with the entry form. Event winners will receive a Ralph Maynard Trophy Buckle. Wrangler has sponsored shirts in the past and I anticipate this sponsorship for 2017, but make sure you bring a long sleeved shirt for competition if needed.

Tickets for family and friends can be purchased that day or in advance by calling the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center at 1-800-GOT-MINE. It is set as a General Admission Family Day performance, which means you can get 5 tickets for \$65.00 or \$19.50 per ticket. If you need a helper in your event, you can pick up a helper's pass at check-in. The helper will have to purchase a ticket to the rodeo.

Please fill out the **biography sheet** and mail it with your **entry form** and **\$20 entry fee**. It's important for the rodeo announcer to have information to discuss while you compete.

If you are a **senior** and want to apply, the **scholarship application** must be filled out and returned with your entry form and bio sheet. We are anticipating four scholarships to be awarded, 2/500-2/1000. All forms are posted on the SDHSR website or call me and I will email directly to you.

Plans are being made for a college fair to be held from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. at the south end of the arena. This is for any age student and/or parent in high school rodeo and a great opportunity for you.

Finally, make sure you contact Sutton Rodeo **immediately** if you are not going to enter or can't compete after you have entered so we can contact the alternates and give them the opportunity to prepare for competition. If I have not received your entry by the deadline you will have to provide me with a copy of the original notarized entry form and "proof of mailing" or you will be withdrawn from the rodeo. We can be reached at the Sutton Rodeo Office (605) 258-2596; Steve Sutton (605) 381-0270 or Kim Sutton (605) 381-0280 or at sutton@venturecomm.net.

Good luck to each of you as you compete in this unique rodeo. I hope you will have a great time and take home many good memories!

Sincerely,

Kim Sutton

2018 20X High School Showcase Entry Blank

Sunday, January 28th, 2018 1:00 pm in the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, Rapid City, SD

Entries must be postmarked by November 1, 2017

Contestant _____ Phone _____
Home Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Grade _____ School Name & City _____
Invited Event _____ Email Address _____

Men’s shirt size (Circle) S M L XL Women’s shirt size (Circle) S M L XL

Check in begins at 10:30 am and ends at 11:30 am with a contestant meeting and team picture. Enter building at the NW entrance. Ride in the arena from 8:00-10:00 am only. Trailer parking is in the NW parking lot of the Civic Center. **There is a \$20 entry fee for contestants.** Event winners will receive a Ralph Maynard Trophy Buckle. We are anticipating four scholarships to be available for seniors, 2-\$1000 & 2-\$500. Contestants have free admission. Tickets for family and friends can be purchased that day or call the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center at 1-800-GOT-MINE. It is set as a General Admission Family Day performance – General Admission pack/5 tickets for \$75.00 or \$20.00 per ticket. If you need a helper in your event, you can pick up a helper’s pass at check-in. The helper will have to purchase a ticket to the rodeo. Please fill out the biography sheet, senior scholarship if applies and return it with this entry form. **Contact Sutton Rodeo immediately if you decide to draw out of the rodeo for any reason so we can contact the alternate in your event. Contact numbers: office (605) 258-2596; Steve cell (605) 381-0270; Kim cell (605) 381-0280.**

WE, THE PARENTS/GUARDIAN OF THE ABOVE NAMED CONTESTANT GIVE THE LOCAL HOSPITAL, ITS PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL STAFF, PERMISSION TO ADMINISTER NECESSARY EMERGENCY TREATMENT FOR INJURIES HE/SHE MAY INCUR WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE 20X HIGH SCHOOL SHOWCASE RODEO. WE UNDERSTAND THAT EACH CONTESTANT MUST BE AND IS COVERED BY MEDICAL INSURANCE. WE HEREBY RELEASE THE LOCAL HOSPITAL, ITS PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL STAFF AND THE RODEO COMMITTEE AND SPONSORS FROM ALL LIABILITY.

Contestant’s Signature _____
Parents/Guardian Signature _____
Notary Public _____ Date _____
Commission Expires:

Mail entry to Sutton Rodeo, PO Box 402, Onida, SD 57564 by November 1, 2017

SENIORS ONLY

2018 20X High School Showcase Scholarship APPLICATION INFORMATION

STUDENT'S FULL NAME _____

STUDENT'S ADDRESS: _____

(city)

(state)

(zip)

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH: _____

PARENTS: (FATHER) _____ (MOTHER) _____

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED SENIOR YEAR: _____

GRADUATION DATE: _____ NUMBER IN CLASS _____

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS & AWARDS:

MAJOR HIGH SCHOOL EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

(indicate number of years of participation) e.g.-choir (2) or football (4)

OUT OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, OFFICES HELD, AWARDS, ETC:

ENROLLMENT PLANS IN COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL:

(List the institution's name and address)

DO YOU PLAN TO COLLEGE RODEO? YES _____ NO _____

WHAT EVENTS DO YOU PLAN TO ENTER? _____

20X EXTREME RODEO SHOWCASE 2018

Purpose: To showcase South Dakota High School rodeo talent.

Selection Criteria:

1. To be invited to compete, you must be in the top three places on points at the end of the 2017 SDHSRA season in your competed region. This is based on the year end point total from regions and state.
2. Three students will be invited from each region in each event.
3. Incoming freshmen are not eligible, nor is a student who did not earn any points in the 2017 SDHSRA rodeo season.
4. Students must be a current member of SDHSRA for the 2018 season. If you have been invited, but have not paid your membership dues, you will be drawn out of the rodeo.
5. Students will be invited to compete in one event only.
6. If a student places in the top 3 in more than one event, invitation will be in the event the student has the **most** points in.
7. Team Roping - Top 3 teams in each region will be invited. If any team is missing a partner, it will be filled by rolling down to the next highest point header or heeler. The roper invited will be determined by the need of the above roper, who is in the top 3 positions. For example: The top team in the region is missing a header. The 2nd and 3rd teams are complete. The 4th place header will be invited to rope with the 1st place heeler. If he/she declines, the next highest point header will be invited.
8. Tie-Breakers - If there is a tie at the 3rd place position in an event, it will be broken:
 - A) 1st - The highest number of times a student earned points in that event.
For example: If Steve won 1st for 10 points and Brent won 2nd twice for 10 points, Brent would win the tiebreaker.
 - B) 2nd - The highest number of times placed at regional rodeos.
 - C) 3rd - The highest number of times placed at state finals.
 - D) 4th - The highest placing in that event.
 - E) 5th - Flip of a coin.