



2026 BOB LANTIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

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WESTERN SOUTH DAKOTA BUCKAROOS



What is the Bob Lantis Memorial Scholarship?

Bob Lantis was a longtime member of the Western South Dakota Buckaroos, joining in 1968. He was proudly responsible for starting the Buckaroo funeral ceremony.

To honor Bob the Buckaroos and the Scholarship Committee, wishes to award a \$500 college scholarship to a high school senior, boy and girl, who qualifies for the South Dakota State High School Rodeo.

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must qualify for the South Dakota State High School Rodeo.
- Applicants must have enrolled or demonstrate bona fide intention of enrolling in a college, university or vocational school program.
- Applicant does not have to plan to college rodeo.
- ALL seniors participating in SDHSR are encouraged to apply.

Application Requirements

- Completion of the following application.
- A 500+ word HAND WRITTEN essay describing what it means to be a cowboy/cowgirl in today's western industry.

Award Criteria

- A Scholarship Certificate in the amount of \$500 will be presented to the Scholarship Winners during the Saturday Awards Ceremony at the South Dakota High School Rodeo Finals.
- Will be awarded to a boy and girl.
- Payment of the scholarship is contingent upon enrollment in a college, university or vocational school.
- The Scholarship Winner must request the payment of the scholarship their third (3rd) semester of school by furnishing proof of enrollment to the Secretary of the Western South Dakota Buckaroos.
- The Scholarship Winner will have three (3) years after high school graduation to enroll for their third (3rd) college semester.



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STUDENT'S FULL NAME: ____ Miss ____ Mr ____

ADDRESS:(Street) _____

(City) (State) (Zip)

GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL: _____

HIGH SCHOOL LOCATION: _____
(City) (State)

GRADUATION DATE: _____ **NUMBER IN CLASS** _____

CLASS RANK: _____ **GRADE POINT AVERAGE:** _____

2026 COMPETING REGION: ____ EAST ____ NW ____ RIVER ____ SW

ENROLLMENT PLANS FOR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL, COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY: (Include
Institute's Name and Address)

Please Attach Your Essay to This Page

This application must be MAILED to the following address & POSTMARKED by Thursday, May 15th, 2026.

- ***Essay NEEDS TO BE HAND-WRITTEN.***

We suggest you ASSUME YOU WILL QUALIFY for the SDHSRA State Finals and complete the application and mail it by the deadline.

Any applications POSTMARKED AFTER Tuesday, May 15th, 2026 OR sent to the wrong address OR not fully completed WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Please MAIL all applications to:

***Bob Lantis Memorial Scholarship
Rick Johnston
PO Box 86
Union Center, SD 57787***