

California High School Rodeo Association

District 7 Policy 2020-2021

“GOOD STANDING”: A member who is in “good standing” is a member who participates and adheres to ALL rules and policies at the national, state and district level. A member in “good standing” may participate in any high school rodeo events that he/she is eligible for. A member must maintain good conduct and uphold the standards that form the reputation, principles and interests of the association.

“BAD STANDING”: A member in “bad standing” is not eligible to participate in any high school rodeo sponsored event at national, state or any district level until the district board has cleared the contestant from the “bad standing” status.

“ALCOHOL & DRUGS”: No alcohol or drugs will be tolerated at any high school rodeo performance by anyone (adults included). No tobacco product use by any contestant will be tolerated at high school rodeo performances or functions. Any member who violates this rule must appear before the executive committee, which will determine appropriate action to take against the member. Action could involve suspension and the requirement to sit out multiple rodeos. (The executive committee includes the president, past president, vice presidents and membership secretary.)

“ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP”: With the first student membership for each family, one associate membership is required at a cost of \$20.00 per membership.

“ENTRIES” No late entries will be accepted. Entries will close on the online portal on date and time specified. If an entry is not filled out correctly or if fees are not the correct amount, correction must be made PRIOR to your check-in at the rodeo. Entries must be paid on the online portal or arrangements to be made with D7 secretary to provide check after doing online entry. The draw date is the Monday before the rodeo unless otherwise stated on the entry form. Incorrect or incomplete entries may result in contestant being assigned trash duty at the rodeo. If duty is not completed at the rodeo, member will be considered in “bad standing.”

“CHECK-IN”: The contestant is to be checked in at the rodeo office by the time stated on the entry, unless prior arrangements have been made with the rodeo secretary. Contestants will receive back numbers and day sheets. Number must be worn on back at all district rodeos. Contestant must bring membership card to all rodeo check ins. MEMBERSHIP NUMBER MUST BE LISTED ON ALL RODEO ENTRIES ONCE IT HAS BEEN ISSUED.

“REPORT CARDS”: A copy of member’s most current report card MUST be sent to district7grades@gmail.com prior to competing in any rodeo. It is the responsibility of the contestant to get the report card to the grades secretary within one week of the close of the grading period. Students attending non-traditional schools must provide copies of class contract at the beginning of each grading period and official transcripts at the ending of each grading period. A copy of member’s report card

must be on file with the secretary by the time of rodeo check-in or the member will not be able to rodeo and will forfeit all current entries.

“REFUNDS”: There will be NO refunds after the draw date. Stock will be ordered and you will be entered into the payback. In the event that stock can be cancelled, entry fee may be partially refunded if a doctor’s release or DVM release is presented.

“NON-SUFFICIENT FUNDS CHECK”: Returned checks must be cleared in the form of a money order or cash plus a \$ 25.00 bank charge. Contestants will not be allowed to enter another NHSRA-sanctioned rodeo until all obligations are fulfilled. The district secretary will notify the state secretary of any outstanding debts after the final rodeo. Membership will not be issued the following year until all debts are cleared. After one non-sufficient fund check, member will be on a money order/cashier’s check-only status.

“RAIN DATES”: An attempt will be made to give 24 hour notice to contestants when a rodeo is cancelled. We will attempt to contact all members. However, when in question, **IT IS THE CONTESTANT’S RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTACT THE RODEO SECRETARY TO SEE IF THE RODEO HAS BEEN CANCELLED.** No travel or other expenses will be reimbursed—regardless of the circumstances—if a rodeo is cancelled.

“JACK POTTING”: Jackpot fees will be included with every entry. These fees will not exceed \$10. Jack potting will be determined on a year-to-year basis.

“CONTESTANT WORK DUTY”: Every member of District 7 entered in the rodeo will be assigned work duty, except for student event directors. The work duty is spelled out on a work card, which is given to each rodeo participant at check-in. After completing the job, the member must have the work card signed by the appropriate adult event director and put the card in the work card box (or envelope) at the rodeo office. If a member cannot perform the job specified on the work card, he or she must find a replacement — typically the associate member. If the member fails to do the assigned job at a rodeo, he or she must perform two jobs at the next rodeo. Failure to perform both jobs at the next rodeo will result “bad standing” status, which must be cleared by the board before the member participates in subsequent rodeos.

“EVENT DIRECTOR WORK DUTY” Student event directors must be in the arena for their entire event (except while competing or preparing to compete.) They are responsible for viewing every contestant and making rulings in the event of a question. If an event director needs to leave to prepare or compete in that event, he/she must have a designated member stand in while out of the arena. This duty is the work duty for event directors. No work card is issued. Student event directors must wear their purple District 7 vests while working their respective events so they can be easily identified by contestants.

“SAFETY VIDEO”: ALL members must view the safety video(s) before they may compete in high school rodeo. The video must be viewed at the beginning of each season.

“STATE REPRESENTATIVES”: State representatives who miss two state meetings will be recommended for replacement. If replaced, the student representative forfeits all scholarship money.

“OFFICERS& EVENT DIRECTORS”: Officers and event directors who miss three board meetings will be recommended for replacement. If replaced, student director forfeits all scholarship money.

“SPONSORSHIPS”: Each student is required to obtain at least one (1), \$250 sponsorship for the district. This money is used for the operation of rodeos. Each member must fulfill the sponsorship requirement by the time of rodeo check-in of the October rodeo in Santa Maria or the member will not be able to rodeo and will forfeit all current entries. Members who join after November 1 must complete their sponsorship requirement within 30 days of their first rodeo.

“FUNDRAISERS”: Every contestant will participate in district and state fundraisers to be eligible for year-end awards and to represent the district at Challenge, State, Silver State, and National rodeos. Scheduled fundraisers include state-required fundraising, Mid-State Classic silent auction, and sponsorship sales. Each member must meet the state-required fundraising requirement by turning in state raffle tickets and money by the specified time, assist with the Mid-State Classic Rodeo (beyond regular work duty), provide one item of at least a \$50 value for the Mid-State silent auction, sell the determined allotted fundraising activities required by District 7 and complete all sponsorship requirements. Additional service may be required as is fairly determined by the board during the year. Services provided by a member or a member’s family may be considered in lieu of other requirements at the discretion of the board PRIOR TO THE EVENT. Members who do not complete these requirements will be considered in “bad standing.” To regain “good standing” and be eligible to compete in any events representing District 7, a fine of \$50.00 per infraction over required equitable value of each event must be paid prior to the fifth points-sanctioned rodeo.

“YEAR-END AWARDS”: To be eligible for year-end awards and or contestant support, each member must have competed in 50 percent plus one of the points-sanctioned rodeos in that event. The member must also have completed sponsorship requirements within the timeline and met all other participation requirements to remain in “good standing.” Members who do not fulfill the obligation to the satisfaction of the board will not be eligible for year-end awards or to represent the district at other NHSRA rodeos (Challenge, State, Silver State, Nationals.) A member must be in full Western attire to receive any awards at any awards presentation. In the event of a first-place tie a coin flip will determine who receives the award at the presentation and another award of equal value will be ordered for the loser of the coin flip. However the loser of the coin flip will get first pick of the prizes on the table. Awards budget shall be set by the board based on income for the year and taking the scholarship obligations and travel monies in to consideration for overall proper distribution. Events in which there are fewer than 5 contestants shall be prorated proportionally for awards funding. For example, one contestant in an event would receive 20% of the budget for awards for that event, 2 contestants 40%, and so forth. The contestant could elect through additional sponsorship to add money to the prize line to make up the difference to receive the same award as other events (saddle, buckle, etc.) if they so

choose. Award of saddles will always be discretionary by the board and based on budget along with the remainder of the prize line.

“DISTRICT VESTS”: Student event directors wear a purple vest during the event they direct so that contestants can easily identify who they are. Additionally, when contestants compete at Challenge and State finals, they must wear a purple vest to identify them as District 7 members. Contact the membership secretary to get more information about the vests. The vest is the financial responsibility of each contestant.

“NEWSLETTERS AND EMAIL”: It is the responsibility of the contestant to read and abide by all information via newsletters and email messages sent out by the district. Email messages are sent on an as-needed basis to provide members with important information such as schedule changes, due dates, entries and other items. It is the responsibility of the member to provide an up-to-date email address and contact the membership secretary if he/she does not receive emails or correspondence.

“ADDRESS/PHONE CHANGES”: It is the responsibility of the contestant to notify both the membership secretary and the rodeo secretary IMMEDIATELY of any address or phone number changes. The district is not responsible for late arrival of district mail due to address changes.

“SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP”: Scholarship money received is based on years of membership in District 7. Four years of membership receives 100 points, three years of membership receives 75points, two years of membership receives 50 points, and one year of membership receives 25 points. Officer, director, and event scholarship monies are not affected. Jr High School years of service to District 7 will be 15 extra points per year, applied to “Scholarship Interview Score Sheet.” To be eligible for scholarships you must provide the District 7 treasurer with proof of enrollment after the “drop date” and still continue to carry 12 units of study. Scholarships moneys will be held up to two years from graduation from high school. Moneys that are not applied for at that time will return to the general fund.

“WEBSITE”: Important dates (rodeos, entry links, closing dates and so forth) are posted on the CHSRA District 7 website CALENDAR @ www.chsradist7.com or/and the D7 Portal <https://entry.kcirodeo.net/AssocMain.aspx?AssocId=CHSRA7> It is the responsibility of the contestant to check the calendar and abide by dates and notices.