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**Kansas Dressage and Eventing  
Association**

**Qualifications and Scores Required  
for the**

**Dressage Medal Program, Horse of the Year and  
Rider of the Year**

**KDEA Dressage Medal Program**

The medals program is designed to promote riding excellence among our membership. This award is different from all the other awards offered by the association in that it is not an annual award, and the member/rider is not competing against others for this award. The member only needs to complete the requirements of each level to achieve this award, and scores can be earned on multiple horses over many years. Once a member/rider is registered for this award, the registration carries over year to year until the level for which he/she is registered is attained. You must be a member of KDEA at the time you earn and submit your scores.

Cost is \$5.00 per medal. This fee is paid once, and when you achieve the Certificate or Medal, you pay another \$5.00 to register for the next level.

**Qualifying Scores for the Medals and Certificate may be submitted from**

KDEA Schooling Shows

Other local schooling shows

USDF/USAE Recognized dressage shows

Certificate of Achievement: This award is for Training Level and requires three scores of 60.000% or better. The tests must be ridden before at least two different judges at two different competitions.

Medals: These awards are given for First Level through Fourth Level and require 3 scores or better of 60.000% at each level. FEI Level requires scores of 57%. These tests, at each level, must be ridden before at least 2 judges and at 2 or more competitions.

- Bronze Medal: First and Second Level
- Silver Medal: Third and Fourth Level
- Gold Medal: FEI Levels – 57%

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## **KDEA Rider of the Year Awards (Award year October 1 to September 30<sup>th</sup>)**

The Rider of the Year (High Score) is to recognize the highest score for a dressage test ridden by member/riders during the award year and the lowest dressage score (penalty points) ridden as part of a combined test or horse trial. You must be a KDEA member at the time the scores are earned and submitted. The following awards will be given each year, if there are qualifying members who submit the required scores:

Recognized Show Dressage High Score – Junior 17 or younger or who turn 18	Note: Juniors are those who are age
Recognized Show Dressage High Score – Senior	during the current award year
Schooling Show Dressage High Score – Junior	
Schooling Show Dressage High Score – Senior	
Dressage High Score – Pony Club (recognized or schooling)	
Recognized Event Low (Dressage) Score – Junior	
Recognized Event Low (Dressage) Score – Senior	
Schooling Combined Test or Horse Trial Low (Dressage) Score – Junior	
Schooling Combined Test or Horse Trial Low (Dressage) Score - Senior	
Pony Club member Low (Dressage) Score – (recognized or schooling)	

**If you are the high score (or low score) for recognized shows, you will not be eligible for high score at schooling shows at that same level. This will allow more members to qualify for awards each year.**

### **Qualifying Scores for above annual awards may be submitted from:**

KDEA Schooling shows	Other local schooling shows
USDF/USEF recognized dressage shows	
USEA recognized Combined Tests or Horse Trials	

Awards and Requirements: Members are automatically registered for this award as a benefit of membership. There is no fee charged for registration. KDEA schooling shows will be submitted for you by the show secretary. Recognized show scores and scores from non-KDEA schooling shows must be submitted to the Awards chair by the deadline set each year for submission of scores.

## **KDEA Dressage Horse of the Year**

The Horse of the Year award is designed to recognize excellence and consistency among our members' dressage horses. Because KDEA recognizes that schooling shows and recognized shows are usually scored differently, this award is determined for each level and is awarded for both schooling and recognized shows. Three (3) scores from 2 different judges are averaged. Your average must be 60% or higher (W/T to Fourth) and 57% or higher Prix St George and

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Recognized Walk Trot – Junior are those who are age 17 or younger	Note: Juniors
Recognized Walk Trot – Senior turn 18 during the current award year	or who
Recognized Training through Grand Prix (each level gets an award) – Junior	
Recognized Training through Grand Prix (each level gets an award) – Senior	
Schooling Walk Trot – Junior rider and horse owner must be current	Note: Both
Schooling Walk Trot – Senior members at the time the score is	KDEA
Schooling Training through Grand Prix (each level gets an award) – Junior	earned.
Schooling Training through Grand Prix (each level gets an award) – Senior	

**The horse with the highest average at each level and type of show will be the winner, and if you win a recognized show award at a particular level, you will not be eligible for Horse of the Year at schooling shows at that same level. This will allow more members to qualify for awards each year.**

**Qualifying Scores for Horse of the Year may be submitted from:**

KDEA Schooling Shows	One score from other local schooling shows
USDF/USEF Recognized dressage shows	

Awards and Requirements (Schooling Shows): Scores from KDEA schooling shows are automatically recorded for all current KDEA members. Scores for non-KDEA schooling shows and all recognized shows should be submitted on the KDEA Award submission form. You may use 1 non-KDEA schooling show toward the schooling award. Your best three scores from 2 different judges will be used to determine the average score.

Awards and Requirements (Recognized Shows): Members must register their horses annually for this award and register by level of test to be ridden (\$5.00 per level). Riders must register the horse before riding the test they wish to submit for an award. The Horse of the Year award is determined by averaging at least 3 scores from 2 different judges. Therefore, if a member submits less than 3 scores, they do not qualify; if the member submits more than 3 scores, ALL scores submitted will be averaged. It is therefore suggested that riders turn in the 3 best scores (from 2 different judges) near the end of the award year.

## **KDEA Event Horse of the Year**

The Eventing Horse of the Year is designed to recognize excellence and consistency among our members' Eventing horses. Because KDEA recognizes that schooling shows and recognized shows are usually scored differently, this award is determined for each level and awards are given for both schooling and recognized shows. The following awards will be given if there are qualifying members who submit the required scores to the Awards Chair by the deadline set each year for the submission of scores:

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Recognized Event Beginner Novice through Intermediate – Junior are those who are age 17 or younger	Note: Juniors
Recognized Event Beginner Novice through Intermediate – Senior during the current award year.	or who turn 18
Schooling Combined Test or HT – Starter through Intermediate –Junior	
Schooling Combined Test or HT – Starter through Intermediate – Senior rider and horse owner must be current	Note: Both

Members at the time the scores are earned

**Qualifying Scores for Eventing Horse of the Year may be submitted from:**

KDEA Schooling Events	One other local schooling show
USEA Recognized Horse Trials and Combined Tests	

Awards and Requirements (Schooling shows): Members are automatically registered for this award as a benefit of membership. There is no fee charged for registration. KDEA schooling show scores are automatically submitted for you by the show secretary. One non-KDEA schooling show may be submitted for this award. At least 2 scores and no more than 5 scores may be submitted.

Awards and Requirements (Recognized Shows): Members must register the horse/rider team annually and register by Event division to be ridden (\$5.00 per level). Riders must register the horse before riding the division for which they wish to qualify. At least 2 scores and not more than 5 scores must be submitted. Rider/members and their horse compete for this award as a team. Awards are given for Beginner Novice through Intermediate.

Points are awarded as follows:

One point is awarded for each starter (horse rider/combination which starts the competition – scratches will not count) in front of whom you finish. For example, if you finish 10<sup>th</sup> out of 23 starters, you will receive 13 points for the 13 horses in front of whom you finished. . Additional bonus points will be given for the first six finishers as follows (with only ½ of the bonus points awarded if there are less than 10 in the class):

	USEA Recog	Schooling HT	KDEA Schooling CT
1 <sup>st</sup>	36	18	12
2 <sup>nd</sup>	32	15	10
3 <sup>rd</sup>	27	12	08
4 <sup>th</sup>	21	09	06
5 <sup>th</sup>	14	06	04
6 <sup>th</sup>	10	03	02