

## **Youth Beekeeping Partnership Program**

Sponsored by the Iowa Honey Producers Association (IHPA)

### **Selection Criteria**

- Youth must be between the ages of 13 and 17 by November 1st of the current year.
- Applicant must be currently enrolled in public, private, or home school.
- Applicant must complete and return all paperwork, including permission and agreement form signed by parent or guardian.
- The application with supporting documents, as well as the waiver/binder form must be submitted to the Program Coordinator no later than September 15 of the current year.

### **Selection Process**

- After all applications have been received, a selection committee will carefully consider each and select the finalists.
- Finalists will be notified by phone on or before October 20. At this time finalists will arrange a specific time slot in which to interview.
- Interviews will take place (usually in) November during the IHPA Annual Meeting.
- The Youth Beekeeping Partnership Program Scholars will be announced that evening during the IHPA Annual Meeting Awards Banquet. At this time they will have the opportunity to meet their mentors for the year.

### **Application Checklist**

- Completed application
- Waiver/Binder form, including applicant and parent/guardian signatures
- Summary of Involvement
- Two (2) letters of recommendation

For more information, visit [www.abuzzaboutbees.com](http://www.abuzzaboutbees.com), or contact the coordinator at [mbrahms@netins.net](mailto:mbrahms@netins.net) or (712) 774-5878.

**A copy of the youth's application, waiver form, summary of involvement, and 2 completed recommendation forms should be postmarked NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 15, to:**

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