

OPHC YOUTH AWARDS SYSTEM

1. The system of points shall be the same as the OPHC (See page 12-13 of OPHC Rule Book)
2. To qualify for youth points in the State of Ohio a horse must be owned or leased by the youth and/or youth's family (mother, father, brother, sister, aunt, uncle, legal guardian, or grandparent), family owned corporation, ranch or farm (APHA Rule YP-015). To qualify for OPHC youth points in Ohio when the horse does not meet ownership requirements, an APHA lease form must be on file with the OPHC Points & Awards Chairperson. A lease form must be obtained, completed, and given to the OPHC Points & Awards Chairperson before any points will be counted.
3. Points will go with the one horse/one rider combination except for Lead Line. No lease is needed and points will follow the rider, but an OPHC member must own the horse.
4. Points count for any youth classes held at an Ohio Paint Horse Club show or club approved show.
5. There will be a year end high point and reserve high point award given by OPHC in Walk –Trot (5-10), Novice Youth, 13 & under, 14-18, and Solid Paint Bred Youth 18& under years of age divisions.
6. OPHC will also award a grand and reserve in each youth class.
7. The rules for the Youth Team competition shall be determined at the November Membership meeting by the Youth Club Members.
8. There will be a High Point All Around Youth Trophy awarded. This is the **Carolyn Williams Memorial**. This award is given to the youth with the highest number of youth points. To qualify for this award the youth/horse combination must have 10 state youth halter points, plus 10 state youth performance points in each of three of the six categories as defined in APHA Rule YP-025. In case of a tie, the Youth with the most firsts, etc. shall receive this trophy. There will be an appropriate award given by OPHC that the recipient may keep as well as a rotating trophy that must be returned to the Awards & Points Chairperson forty-five (45) days prior to the Awards Banquet or by December 1st of the year received, for engraving the following year's recipient. The return of this trophy will be the complete responsibility of the recipient.
9. There will be a High Point Youth Showmanship Trophy awarded. This is the **JULIE SIMS MEMORIAL TROPHY**. This is awarded to the youth/horse combination accumulating the most pints in youth showmanship (13 & under or 14-18 youth showmanship classes). For a Walk-Trot (5-9) youth to be eligible for this award, they must show in the 13& under age division. In case of a tie, the youth with the most firsts, etc. shall be awarded the trophy. There will be an appropriate award given by OPHC that the recipient may keep as well as a rotation trophy that must be returned to the Points & Awards Chairperson forty-five (45) days prior to the awards banquet, or by December 1st of the year received, for engraving the following year's recipient. The return of this trophy will be the complete responsibility of the recipient.
10. Five awards will be presented to the top five (5) Youth by the OPHYC. These awards are given to the youth with the highest number of youth points (13 & under or 14-18 classes). To qualify for these awards a youth/horse must show under ten (10) judges at OPHC approved shows, of which four (4) judges must be at non-Paint-O-Rama shows. and of which one (1) of those shows must be held within the boundaries of Ohio.
11. An award will be presented to the Top 2 all around Walk-Trot horse/rider by OPHYC. These awards are to be given to the Youth with the highest combined number of points in Walk-Trot and Youth Halter classes. To qualify for these awards, the youth/horse combination must show under ten (10) judges of which four (4) judges must be at non-Paint-O-Rama shows, and of which one (1) of those shows must be held within the boundaries of Ohio.
12. An award will be presented to the High Point Youth Performance Horse by OPHYC. This award is given to the Youth horse combination that has accumulated the most youth state performance points (13 & under or 14-18 classes). To qualify for this award a youth/horse combination must compete in two (2) classes in three (3) of the six (6) categories, as defined in APHA Rule YP-025 and must also have at least five (5) state points in each class for a total of ten (10) state points in the category.
13. A sportsmanship award will be awarded in each age division: Walk-Trot (5-10), 13& under and 14-18. This award is determined by popular vote of the members of the OPHC Youth Club. This is a rotating award and must be returned to the Awards & Points Chairperson forty-five (45) days prior to the Awards Banquet, or by December 1st of the year received, for engraving the following year's recipients. The return of these trophies will be the complete responsibility of the recipients.