

ALABAMA JR. RODEO ASSOCIATION

Welcome to the Alabama Jr. Rodeo Association. You will have a great time making new friends while traveling from rodeo to rodeo. You have chosen a sport that you will have fun making memories that will last a life time. Please read the following information carefully and submit all paperwork by the deadlines. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any of the numbers listed.

THE FOLLOWING PAPERWORK AND FEES MUST BE SUBMITTED BEFORE September 1, 2011 IN ORDER TO COMPETE IN THE FIRST RODEO OF THE SEASON:

- AJRA application
- Acknowledgment of Membership Guidelines
- Minor's Release, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement (completed and signed by both parents and witnessed by a Notary Public)
- Website / Internet release form
- Contestant Information Form
- Report Card Grading System
- Check or money order payable to AJRA in the amount of \$40.00 for one contestant and \$25.00 for each additional contestant
- Report card (from the last grade completed and must have four (4) passing grades)
- Birth Certificate
- Insurance Card

You will be receiving more information as the 2011-2012 Rodeo season gets closer.
Return completed application with fees to:

Alabama Junior Rodeo Association
Tammy Tate
251 Whispering Pines Dr
Vincent, AL 35178

***For Questions Please call Lori Hodges at 205-821-5124 or Tammy Tate at 205-966-4066
between the hours of 9am and 8pm.***

ALABAMA JUNIOR RODEO ASSOCIATION, INC.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Date: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Parent's Work Phone: (____) _____

Parent's Names: _____
 Father Mother

Contestant's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Cell Phone Numbers: _____
(Optional)

Email Address: _____
(Optional)

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To be completed by Secretary: Date Joined: _____

Rookie: Yes _____ No _____

Fees Paid: _____

Check or money order # _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES

AJRA membership is open to any student who is 14 years of age or under at the first of the AJRA year (September 1) and is enrolled in grade 8 or lower pursuing studies on that grade level or less. It is the intent of the AJRA to encourage any student to continue in school as a regularly enrolled student and to improve his/her education.

The purpose of the AJRA is:

- to increase and maintain interest of the elementary and junior high school students in rodeos
- to prepare younger student contestants for future participation in rodeo organizations
- to promote the highest type of conduct and sportsmanship at the various rodeos by setting up standards to be met by all contestants
- to keep the Western Heritage alive in America and the state of Alabama
- to promote a close relationship among the people interested in this activity and the organization they represent

Membership is open to anyone wishing to support the sport of rodeo and to elementary and junior high students who wish to participate as contestants. Student membership dues are \$40.00 per year for the first contestant in a family and \$25.00 for each additional contestant in the family payable upon joining the association.

Upon joining, contestant members must submit to the state secretary a signed notarized and sealed Minor's Release Form (enclosed in the membership packet), a copy of his/her last issued report card, a copy of his/her insurance coverage card, a copy of his/her birth certificate and the membership fee of \$40.00 (\$25.00 for each additional contestant in the immediate family).

Paying your \$40.00 membership fee and submitting the necessary forms (for the first time) constitutes a contestant's rookie year.

Any member, student or adult, who makes himself incompatible to the operation of the program by works or deeds, may be suspended for a designated period of time, or impeached after a review of the situation by the Board of Directors or by an appointed Investigative Committee, and, upon which, action will be taken by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

To be eligible to participate in the State Finals Rodeo, a contestant must be a member in good standing of the AJRA, must have participated in at least half of the rodeos held after the date they joined and must have purchased or sold \$250.00 (or amount required in accordance with the number of contestant members in your family) in ads and turned them in to the state secretary on or before the deadline date which will be announced at a later date.

Contestant entry fees are set as follows: Entry fees shall be \$20.00 per event except Boy's Jr. Bull riding will be \$35.00 (amended August 2003); \$20.00 entry fees will be divided as follows: Jack-pot fees \$7.00; stock charge \$8.00 and AJRA fees \$5.00. Boy's Jr. Bull Riding fees will be divided as follows: Jack-pot fees \$15.00; stock charge \$15.00 and AJRA fees \$5.00 (Amended August, 2007) Entry fees shall be paid in cash, small bills, no checks. Fees may be subject to change. There is a \$10.00 per rodeo fee for office expenses. All entry fees must be paid at least fifteen minutes before the Grand Entry of each rodeo. No entry fees can be accepted before the day of the rodeo. Fees are subject to change.

Each contestant must call in at the designated time for the rodeo. Each contestant is given 48 hours to draw out of a rodeo for which he/she has called in. If a contestant fails to draw out within the 48 hour grace period, he/she must pay the total sum of all events entered at the time of call in. If a contestant fails to call in on time, he/she will be given a grace period of 48 hours in which to call in. If he/she calls in during this 48 hours period a late charge of \$10.00 will be assessed and will be payable at the time of check in. No call-ins will be taken after the 48 hour grace period.

If a contestant has called in but wishes to draw out on the day of the rodeo, he/she is still responsible for fees for all events entered. Exceptions are made for accidents or illnesses for which you have a doctor's excuse. All draw outs, no shows, and late fees must be paid to be eligible to compete in the next rodeo.

A list of rules and guidelines will be provided to you as a member. In the event of discrepancy between this form and the AJRA Rule Book, the Rule Book will supersede this document. **All rules will be strictly enforced.**

AS PARENT/GUARDIAN OF _____, I HEREBY VERIFY THAT I HAVE READ & UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE & THAT I WILL ADHERE TO ALL RULES AND GUIDELINES AS WRITTEN.

PARENT/GUARDIAN

DATE

AS CONTESTANT, I HEREBY VERIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE AND THAT I WILL ADHERE TO ALL THE RULES AND GUIDELINES AS WRITTEN.

CONTESTANT

DATE

MEMBER'S NAME _____ PHONE _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____ EFFECTIVE DATE _____

MINOR'S RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

We the undersigned, hereby request that the below named minor (minor) be granted permission (1) to enter the restricted area, (2) to participate as a contestant, assistant, official or otherwise in rodeo events, (3) to compete for money, prizes, recognition or reward, (4) to be covered by participants' hospitalization insurance, if applicable, as limited by the master policy (all collectively hereinafter called "permissive entry").

In consideration of "permissive entry" of minor into the restricted area, which is the area from which an admission to the general public is restricted, which includes, but is not limited to the rodeo arena, competition area, chutes, pens, adjacent walkways, concessions and other appurtenances, we the undersigned, on behalf of the minor and for ourselves, our personal representatives, heirs, next of kin, spouses and assigns, do hereby:

1. **RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND COVENTANT NOT TO SUE** the rodeo committee, stock contractor, rodeo association, sponsors, arena operators or owners, and each of them, their officers, agents and employees (all hereinafter collectively referred to as "releasees") from any and all claims and liability arising out of strict liability or ordinary negligence of releasees or any other participant which causes the undersigned injury, death, damages or property damage. We, the undersigned, jointly, severally, and in common, covenant to hold releasees harmless and to indemnify releasees from any claim, judgment or expenses releasees may incur arising out of any of the minor's activities or presence in the restricted area.

2. **UNDERSTAND** that minor's entry into the restricted area and/or participation in rodeo events contains DANGER AND RISK OF INJURY OR DEATH TO MINOR, that conditions of the rodeo arena change from time to time and may become more hazardous, that rodeo animals are dangerous and unpredictable and that there is INHERENT danger in rodeo which we appreciate and voluntarily assume because the minor and we choose to do so. Each of the undersigned has observed events of the type that the minor seeks to participate in. We further understand that the arena surface, access ways or lack thereof, lighting or lack thereof, weather conditions all change and pose a danger to the minor. We further understand that other contestants and participants pose a danger to the minor, but nevertheless, WE EACH VOLUNTARILY ELECT TO ACCEPT ALL RISKS connected with the minor's entry into the restricted area and/or participation in any rodeo events.

3. **AGREE** that this agreement shall apply to incident, injury, accident or death occurring on the above date and FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR THEREAFTER or until the minor's association membership expires, whichever shall last occur. All subsequent agreements and release documents signed by any of the undersigned shall amplify, but shall in no way limit the provisions of this document. The provisions of this document may be cancelled by any one of the undersigned by delivering to the above rodeo association written cancellation of this agreement which shall be effective 24 hours after the date said cancellation is actually received by the rodeo association.

4. **RELEASOR** or parents or guardians of the undersigned minor AGREE TO IDEMNIFY the Releasees and each of them from any loss, liability, damage or costs they may incur due to the presence or participation of the minor in the described activities whether caused by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise.

WE HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT. WE UNDERSTAND IT IS A RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS. WE APPRECIATE AND ASSUME ALL RISKS INHERENT TO RODEO.

Signature of Natural Father Signature of Natural Mother

Signature of Legal Guardian Signature of Member

On this ____ day of _____, _____, before me, personally appeared 1. _____

2. _____ 3. _____, to me known to be the persons who executed the foregoing Release and acknowledged that they signed as their free act and deed.

My Commission Expires _____

Notary Public ***NOTARY AND PARENTS/GUARDIANS:** For all purposes, two parents (or guardians) and the contestant must sign this form in front of a Notary and all names must be listed on the date line including the minor's name even though this is a minor's release form.

**ALABAMA JUNIOR RODEO ASSOCIATION & ALABAMA JUNIOR HIGH RODEO ASSOCIATION
WEB PAGE & INTERNET RELEASE FORM FOR CONTESTANTS, DIRECTORS, OR OFFICERS**

In an effort to maintain the integrity of the mission and goals of the Alabama Junior Rodeo and Alabama Junior High Rodeo Association, the following release form must be completed, before any web page is created which contains a contestant's picture or information related to said contestant.

The Alabama Junior Rodeo and Alabama Junior High Rodeo Association do not authorize the publication of:

- the name of any contestant without a signed release form from a parent or guardian.
- pictures of contestant without a signed release form from a parent or guardian.
- pictures which identify contestant by name without a release form from a parent or guardian.
- contestant point standing of performances without a release form from a parent or guardian.
- The name of any director or officer without a signed release form from the director or officer
- Personal email of a director or officer without a signed release
- Pictures of a director or officer without a signed release.
- Pictures which identify a director or officer by name without a signed release

Please complete and sign the following release form and return it to
Alabama Junior Rodeo Association

Tammy Tate 251 Whispering Pines Dr., Vincent, AL 35178

CONTESTANTS

I (Do __, Do Not __) authorize the release of my child's name to be used on www.alabamajuniorrodeo.com and affiliated webpages.

I (Do __, Do Not __) authorize the release of my child's picture to be used on www.alabamajuniorrodeo.com and affiliated webpages.

I (Do __, Do Not __) authorize the release of my child's picture with identity to be used on www.alabamajuniorrodeo.com and affiliated webpages.

I (Do __, Do Not __) authorize the release of my child's point standings to be used on www.alabamajuniorrodeo.com and affiliated webpages.

DIRECTORS

I (Do __, Do Not __) authorize the release of my name to be used on www.alabamajuniorrodeo.com and affiliated webpages.

I (Do __, Do Not __) authorize the release of my picture to be used on www.alabamajuniorrodeo.com and affiliated webpages.

I (Do __, Do Not __) authorize the release of my picture with identity to be used on www.alabamajuniorrodeo.com and affiliated webpages.

I (Do __, Do Not __) authorize the release of my email address to be used on www.alabamajuniorrodeo.com and affiliated webpages.

*Affiliated webpages includes the sites such as rodeoup.com, facebook.com, alabamajuniorrodeo.com and other sites the association uses for marketing purposes

Contestant Name (please print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

We the parent(s) of (Contestant's name) _____ give permission to Alabama Junior Rodeo Association and Alabama Junior High Rodeo Association the right to use picture(s), for reproduction for advertisement, newspapers, website, etc.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date: _____

PARENTS: Please complete the above and return the signed form with membership application.

**ALABAMA JUNIOR RODEO ASSOCIATION, INC.
CONTESTANT INFORMATION FORM**

CONTESTANT'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

GRADE _____ SEX _____ ROOKIE _____ RETURNING _____

EVENTS ENTERED

GIRL'S EVENTS

Breakaway Roping _____

Pole Bending _____

Barrel Racing _____

Goat Tying _____

Team Roping _____

Header _____ Heeler _____

BOY'S EVENTS

Breakaway Roping _____

Calf Roping _____

Chute Dogging _____

Jr. Bull Riding _____

Team Roping _____

Header _____ Heeler _____

Team Roping Partner's Name _____

Ribbon Roping _____

Runner _____ Roper _____

Ribbon Roping _____

Runner _____ Roper _____

Ribbon Roping Partner's Name _____

****When competing in Ribbon Roping, each team must consist of a boy and a girl. Either one may be the runner or the roper.**

I have completed all of the attached forms and am returning all of the required information to become a member of the AJRA.

I have read and agree to all of the requirements of the AJRA.

Contestant's Signature Date

Father's Signature Date

Mother's Signature Date

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

REPORT CARD GRADING SYSTEM

The Alabama Junior Rodeo Association requires all contestants who join the Association to submit to the secretary a copy of their report card at the end of THE FIRST SEMESTER WHEN SCHOOL RESUMES IN JANUARY AND THE LAST REPORT CARD RECEIVED BEFORE FINALS. You must complete the following form with information pertaining to your school's grading system.

A= _____ B= _____ C= _____ D= _____ F= _____
(Example: A= 90-100, B= 80-89, etc.)

Name of School: _____ Grade: _____

Report cards are issued on: _____ 6 week grading period

_____ 9 week grading period

Report cards will be issued on the following dates:

1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
 4. _____
 5. _____
 6. _____
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Contestant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____