

GOLD MERIT AWARD APPLICATION

AMERICAN SIMMENTAL-SIMBRAH
F O U N D A T I O N



GENERAL INFORMATION

Name (First, Middle, Last): _____

Parent or Guardian Names: _____

AJSA Member Number: _____ Age as of January 1: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Current School Attending: _____ Grade: _____

How many years have you been an active member in the AJSA? _____

Do you own cattle? ____ Yes ____ No # of Registered Cattle: ____ Commercial: ____

STATE ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

Are you a member of a state junior Simmental association? ____ Yes ____ No

How many years have you been an active member of your state association? _____

Name of state association: _____

Provide a list of leadership roles you have held in your state Simmental association, along with the number of years they were held for: (please list chronologically)

Indicate your participation in state association or county events with regard to the Simmental breed, i.e. state sanctioned shows, field days, 4-H or FFA events: (please list chronologically)

What role do you believe state Simmental associations play in regards to the American Simmental Association as a whole?

What could your state Simmental association do to better its visibility? What can you do to be a part of this improvement?

REGIONAL AND NATIONAL PARTICIPATION INFORMATION

Please indicate your participation and successes in AJSA sanctioned events, i.e. AJSA Regional Classics, AJSA National Classics, Summit Leadership Conferences, Steer Profitability Competition: (please list cattle and educational contest events chronologically)

Describe the importance of AJSA events in the context of the beef industry. What sets AJSA events apart? Where do AJSA weaknesses fall? What can you do to improve these weaknesses?

What does being an ambassador mean to you? What skills have you learned through the AJSA that has prepared you to be a beef industry ambassador?

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Describe your involvement in your school, church, and community activities: (please list chronologically)

Describe the service projects you have been involved in: (please list chronologically)

SIMGENETICS INVOLVEMENT

Describe your role in your own, and/or your family's, or another SimGenetics operation (breeding, calving, feeding, record keeping, etc.):

Indicate your participation in activities or events that have helped to promote your SimGenetics operation:

Discuss the threat that animal rights activists play to cattle producers. What can you do to dispell the myths?

FUTURE GOALS

Please discuss your future goals and plans:

For press release purposes, please list the name, mailing address, and email address of newspapers in your area:

Gold Merit Awards are facilitated by the American Simmental-Simbrah Foundation and are awarded with no discrimination towards a physical, emotional or mental handicap. Five recipients are chosen by a committee and are awarded the Gold Merit Award of \$2,500 at the National Classic Awards Banquet.

Participants must submit the Gold Merit Award application, a current photo, and three letters of recommendation to ajsa@simmgene.com no later than June 1.

By signing below, I signify that the contained information is current and true to the best of my knowledge:

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date