ASHA ACADEMY
MASTER MEDAL AWARD

ASHA is proud to offer this award, which goes beyond the ASHA Academy Awards program. After participants in the Academy Awards Medal Program attain their first gold medal, they then have the option to continue with the Academy Awards program by earning gold medals on a yearly basis or enter the Academy Master Medal Awards Program, which encourages participation in promotion, education, and continued involvement with the American Saddlebred.

HOW POINTS ARE EARNED

Riding points are earned according to the rules of the Academy Awards Program. A list follows giving the options for activity points.

MASTER BRONZE: 20 riding points + 15 activity points
MASTER SILVER: 20 riding points + 20 activity points
MASTER GOLD: 20 riding points + 25 activity points

Activity points can be accumulated from the following list. All points must involve a combination of no less than 3 different activities total.

Participate in Junior/Adult judging or Showmanship at Halter – 5 points each
Enter the ASHA Youth Photo Contest (entries received by November 30 of award year) – 5 points
Give a speech to a Youth Club, organization, or class about the American Saddlebred – 5 points
Volunteer at a horse show – 5 points
  (i.e. pass out ribbons, help stable or barn, assist other riders, concessions, etc.)
Be a member of an ASHA Youth Club – 5 points
Volunteer at an equine therapy riding program – 5 points
Participate in an ASHA Youth/ASHA Youth Club activity – 5 points
  (i.e. assist with summer camp, assist with donation for annual ASHA Youth Auction at the Kentucky State Fair, etc.)
Participate at the ASHA Annual Meeting and Youth Conference – 5 points
Participate in ASHA Saddle Time Program
  Complete level 1-3 – 5 points
  Complete level 4-6 – 10 points
Participate in ASHA International Youth Program
  Earn a Badge – 5 points
  Enter an ASIYP activity/horsemanship competition – 10 points
  Complete a level of ASIYP
    Level 1 – 5 points
    Level 2 – 10 points
    Level 3 – 15 points

Points will be tabulated throughout the show year, beginning October 1 and ending September 30 of the following year. An official point sheet verifying an individual’s participation and placement in academy classes and activities must be signed by BOTH the rider and the instructor or Youth Club advisor, and submitted to ASHA by October 31 of the award year. The point sheet can be found online at www.asha.net/files/ashamastermedalactivityreport.pdf.

To qualify for an award, a total of 20 riding points, plus the required number of activity points must be accumulated during a single show year in either juvenile (17 and under) or adult (18 and over) divisions. Points earned in one year may NOT be carried forward into a subsequent show year.