

American Cavy Breeders Association

Promote the breeding and improvement of the cavy, and to secure publicity for and interest in the cavy as an exhibition and pet animal.

ACBA 2021 YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT CONTEST

PURPOSE

To acknowledge outstanding achievement and leadership by ACBA youth members in the cavy fancy, as measured by activities and leadership in organizations and associations, performance on the show table, and achievements in breeding and raising animals and the vision and goals set for themselves and their project

RULES

1. Any ACBA Youth Member is eligible to compete. Membership must be valid by *May 1, 2021. Attendance at the ACBA Specialty Show is **NOT** necessary.
2. Application must be made from the form provided by the ACBA Youth Committee. These forms are available from the ACBA Youth Chair, members of the Youth Committee, the ACBA District Directors and the ACBA Website.
3. Applications are to be completed by the contestant and in their own words. Youth under the age of nine may choose to have some help in filling out the application.
4. Up to five (5) pages, printed on one side only, of information may be submitted by the applicant. These should include information needed to complete the answers. Visual aids may be included within this page limitation.
5. Applications will be judged by district, and age within district; up to 9 yrs., 9-11 yrs., 12-14 yrs. and 15-18 yrs. Age is determined by age on the last day of 2021 ACBA Specialty (June 13, 2021).
6. Winners will be announced at the ACBA Banquet at the ACBA Specialty Show. Contestants need not be present to win.
7. The Achievement Questions and your answers may either be submitted by **Email or Mailing** in your contest questions as well as the ACBA 2021 Specialty Contest Entry Form, in a **Word document and one copy of your answers**. A current photograph of yourself is optional. If you are submitting a photograph electronically, please be sure it is of high resolution and clarity for a print publication (these items will need to be scanned and attached to the email). Incomplete applications or failure to follow these instructions will incur a 10-point deduction per infraction.
8. Do not place your name on **ANY** your pages other than the page with the questions! Placing your name on any of the Contest Answer pages will result in a 10-point deduction. Mailed applications must be postmarked by *May 1, 2021, emailed applications must be received by midnight (MST) *May 1, 2021.

Scoring Rubric:

Achievement	70 points
Leadership	60 points
Goals and Plans for the Future	60 points
Neatness and Appearance of Application	10 points
Total Possible Score	200 points

Mailed applications must be postmarked on or by *May 1, 2021 and addressed to:

Susan Jones
4748 E Bermuda St
Tucson, AZ 85712

Email applications must be received by Midnight (MST) by *May 1, 2021 and sent to:

ACBAyouth@yahoo.com

*Updated Dates!

ACBA 2021 Achievement Contest Application

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age on June 13, 2021: _____

District: _____

1. When did you join the ACBA and how many consecutive years have you belonged?
2. Which cavy, 4-H and/or FFA organization are you a member of (use full names)?
3. List any office or committee positions that you have held in these organizations.
4. Explain the most important award you have won individually or as a member of a group within your project within the last 3 years.
5. Explain the most important award you have won with your animals within the last 3 years.
6. Describe any cavy activities that you participated in and/or developed.
7. Explain what you do to make others aware of cavies.
8. Explain what you have done to encourage others to be involved in the cavy fancy.
9. Explain how you have helped others learn new skills and increased their knowledge of this hobby.
10. What goals or new goals have you set for yourself in 2020 with regards to your cavy project? Please note: If you competed in the past, your answers from your 2020 application will also be used in comparison, unless you are using the same goals. If you are using the same goals, then please explain why.
11. Pertaining to question 10, have you achieved these goals in your project? If you did not achieve these goals, what steps will you put in place to make sure you complete these goals next year?
12. Explain how the achievement of your goals will help you in the future.
13. What other achievements have you accomplished outside the cavy fancy in the last 3 years?