

Pico Ski Education Foundation



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**2017 Harry "Rebel" Ryan Scholarship Application**

Pico Ski Education Foundation (PSEF) has a tradition of providing financial support to athletes in pursuit of the highest levels of ski racing. PSEF Founder **Harry "Rebel" Ryan** is a person who exemplifies the competitive spirit of Pico Ski Club Ski Racing and has inspired generations of Pico Ski Club athletes to strive for excellence.

In 2008, PSEF established a scholarship awarded each spring in the name of Harry "Rebel" Ryan in support of "off season" ski training opportunities for up to two (2) Pico Ski Club athletes who have demonstrated a strong commitment to ski racing. This year, PSEF will provide two (2) Scholarships in the amount of \$1500.00 each for attendance by recipients at any ski race related camp or dry land training camp for the summer/fall season. The Scholarship must be used before December 1, 2017, with the only exception being for the Pico Performance camps for the 2017-2018 ski race season.

Each candidate is required to submit this application with their essays for consideration by **March 17th, 2017** and *must* meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Pico Ski Club (PSC) athlete who has shown exemplary leadership, hard work, dedication and achievement as determined by his/her Coaches
- Made a commitment to continue to pursue ski racing in their high school and/or college years
- Currently participating in the Pico Race Program at the U14 to U21 level
- Plans to continue their participation in the PSC Race Program in the 2017-2018 season
- Approval for planned use of Scholarship from Race Director
- Candidate was not awarded the Harry Rebel Ryan Scholarship the previous year

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Birth Year** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Applicant's Signature**

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

**Choose any two (2) of the topics provided. For each topic, in approximately 500 words, write a creative, inspiring essay, typing your responses and submitting each as a separate document. Be yourself, and make us believe you deserve a scholarship based on your passion for the sport.**

1. **"Why I Ski"**: Describe how you learned to ski and why you have chosen ski racing as a sport.
2. **"What the Pico Ski Race Program Means To Me"**: Describe what the PSC Race Program means to you and how it has affected your overall approach and philosophy towards ski racing.
3. **"My Skiing Experience"**: Write an essay about your experiences or a particular experience in the mountains and skiing, and describe how following this passion has made you happier and more successful life/school.
4. **"What I Hope to Achieve at Camp"**: What are your goals for the next ski season? If you are selected for this scholarship, what do you hope to accomplish at your ski related camp?

Please submit essays and this completed form via email to [RRScholarship@PicoSkiFoundation.org](mailto:RRScholarship@PicoSkiFoundation.org) **NO LATER THAN MARCH 17, 2017.**

Please indicate the camp in which you are currently interested: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval by Race Director: \_\_\_\_\_

Winners of the Harry "Rebel" Ryan Scholarship will be announced at the Pico Ski Racer Banquet in March 2017.

**RESTRICTIONS:** If you win the Andrea Mead Lawrence Scholarship or the Sarah Will Scholarship, you will not be eligible to win the Harry Rebel Ryan Scholarship.