



July 26, 2019

Dear 2019 High School Rodeo Championship Qualifier:

**Congratulations** on qualifying for the Vermeer Invitational High School Champions Challenge Rodeo presented by River City Rodeo in Omaha, NE! You have earned the right to compete for \$16,500 in total scholarship money. The event is scheduled on September 28, 2019 at 1:30 pm at CHI Health Center in Omaha, Nebraska. The enclosed forms and information will serve as your Entry Packet. Enclosed, please find:

- **Official Entry & Biography Form:** Please fill out the form in full and legibly. The Release of Liability must be signed as well. Both forms must be returned to Jamie Stephens, secretary of the rodeo by the deadline (address below).
- **Horse Stalls & Camping:** Stalls are available at Chance Ridge Arena in Elkhorn, Nebraska for \$25 per stall per night. All stalls are indoor and have shavings included. Chance Ridge is approximately 18 miles from the CHI Health Center. Please clean your stall to the center isle when you leave. You can camp at Chance Ridge as well. There are a few electric hook ups. All hook ups are first come, first serve. Enclosed is a form to be filled out and sent back with payment to reserve a stall(s).
- **Health Papers:** All horses being brought on the property must have current health papers and negative coggins tests. Papers must be available to show of proof if asked.
- **Western Attire:** Western attire is required. We ask that you wear your 2019 State National shirt.
- **More Information:** please go to "Omaha River City Rodeo" on Facebook or <http://www.omaharivercityrodeo.org>.
- **Event Schedule for September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019:**
  - 9:00-9:45 am Contestant Check In
  - 10-11:00 am Rough -n- Ready Rodeo
  - 11:00-11:30 Eat Lunch
  - 11:30-12:00 Contestant & Family Meeting Conference & contestant photo
  - 12:00-1:00 pm Arena open to warm up
  - 1:30pm Rodeo Begins!
- **Rodeo Order of Events:**

1. Pole Bending	6. Goat Tying
2. Bareback Riding	7. Steer Wrestling
3. Break Away Roping	8. Team Roping
4. Tie Down Calf Roping	9. Barrel Racing
5. Saddle Bronc Riding	10. Bull Riding



- **Contestant Meeting & Conferences:** We ask all contestants to be at the meeting and conference at 11:30 am. We will go over a few ground rules at the meeting and the free conference will be *on "Goal Setting"*. Right after the meeting we will take an all contestant photo, so please come to the meeting in western attire.
- **Rough -n- Ready Rodeo:** This is an "exceptional rodeo" that we put on for children with special needs. We encourage all contestants to participate with this great event. We will help teach children how to rope a roping dummy, ride a horse, run a small barrel pattern on a stick horse, etc. This can count for 1 hour of service hours for your school and Jamie will sign off on any paperwork you need signed for this. This is an excellent way of giving back to the local community!
- **Parking:** All contestants need to park in the PARKING LOT A (behind the building). A map of the parking lots will be emailed to you closer to the event date.
- **Ground Rules:** Please review the National High School Rodeo Association (NHSRA) rules and the copy of rules in this packet before the rodeo begins.
- **Admission:** It is free admission to the Vermeer High School Champions Challenge Rodeo. The PRCA rodeo is at the CHI Health Center Friday night & Saturday night this weekend as well. If you want to purchase tickets for these rodeos, you can at <https://www.ticketmaster.com/search?q=omaha+river+city+rodeo>.
- **Contestant Lunch:** There will be a free lunch available for all contestants who volunteer to help with the Rough -n- Ready Rodeo. This is for contestants only please.
- **Concession Stand:** There will be one concession stand open the day of the rodeo.
- **Location:** CHI Health Center, North 10<sup>th</sup> Street Omaha, NE 68102
- **Forms to fill out and return to Jamie Stephens (address below) by September 6th, 2019:**
  - **Contestant Entry & Bio Form**
  - **Stall Form and payment (must be pre-paid)**
  - **Exhibit A-Release/Waiver of Liability filled and signed (at the end of the rules)**

We are looking forward to having you join us for this fantastic event. Please direct questions to [jamielstephens3@hotmail.com](mailto:jamielstephens3@hotmail.com) or 402-651-6151.

Good Luck!

Jamie Stephens  
Secretary, High School Champions Challenge Rodeo