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JUMPING UPDATES

April 3, 2026



Youth Application Deadlines at a Glance

June 1 - NAYC

June 15 - Pony Jumper Championships

June 29 - Youth Jumping Competition

August 2 - Youth Nations Cup Final

August 31 - Junior Jumper National Championship (Prix des States)

All applications are open and available on the [Athlete Dashboard](#).

2026 FEI North American Youth Championships



2026 NAYC

Great Lakes Equestrian Festival

Traverse City, Michigan

July 28 - August 2, 2026

Application

Deadline: June 1, 2026

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International Youth Jumping Competition

The participating nations at the 2026 FEI World Championships in Aachen (GER) are invited with two (2) Young Rider athletes and their horses to compete in the International Youth Jumping Competition. The Youth Jumping Competition will be held alongside the World Championships, August 17-23, 2026.

Please see the [Planned Selection Methodology Memo](#). The Youth Jumping Competition Ranking List can be found [here](#).

Athletes wishing to be considered for selection must submit an online application. The application can be found in your [Athlete Dashboard](#).

Deadlines and Fees:

Phase I Early Application

- Deadline is Monday, June 1, 2026 (11:59pm ET)
- \$70 fee per application

Phase II Final Application

- Deadline is Monday, June 29, 2026 (5:00pm ET)
- \$300 fee per application

Applications will not be accepted after Monday, June 29, 2026 (5:00pm ET).

FEI Youth Nations Cup Finals



US Junior and Young Rider Teams

pending qualification

Peelbergen | Kronenberg, Netherlands

September 9-13, 2026

Early Application Deadline: July 6, 2026

Late Application Deadline: August 2, 2026

*applications submitted after July 6th will incur a \$50 application fee

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How will the 5 Member Youth Nations Cup Final Teams be Selected?

- Up to the top three (3) U.S. Athletes/Horse combinations, provided they are on the podium (1st, 2nd, 3rd) in the Final Overall Standings of the Young Rider or Junior age category at NAYC.
- Two (2) athlete/horse combinations will be recommended to the Team by the Chef d'Equipe. Participation at NAYC is not a requirement for Discretionary Selection, however, performance at NAYC is strongly considered.
- If any of the top three (3) U.S. Athlete/Horse combinations are not on the podium, selection for this position will revert to Discretionary Selection.

USEF Pony Jumper National Championships



2026 USEF Pony Jumper National Championships

Kentucky Horse Park

Lexington, Kentucky

August 5-8, 2026

Application Deadline: June 15, 2026

Qualifying Period: September 1, 2025 to June 15, 2026

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USEF Junior Jumper National Championships/Prix des States



2026 USEF Junior Jumper National Championships/Prix des States

Pennsylvania National Horse Show

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

October 8-10, 2026

Application Deadline: August 31, 2026

Qualifying Period: September 1, 2025 to August 31, 2026

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