

## Applying to College? The NYB can help answer your questions

### National Youth Board



The National Youth Board, in conjunction with the National Office, is pleased to announce the creation and installation of a new set of resources designed to assist older members of the United States Pony Clubs to best incorporate their Pony Club experiences into their college applications. The USPC is well revered for its programs that help shape young adults to possess defining character qualities such as leadership, responsibility, sportsmanship, and advanced knowledge in the arena of horsemanship. These developed resources, available online at [ponyclub.org](http://ponyclub.org), offer members of Pony Club who are in the process of applying to college the assistance they might need in succinctly incorporating the invaluable experiences that the USPC offers into their applications. Specific target areas include integrating Pony Club into the Common Application, college resumes, and college essays. The National Youth Board encourages you to share these resources with your members, whose hard work and dedication to the USPC deserves to be recognized and lauded in the best manner possible through the college application process.

### *USPC National Youth Board Advisory Body for all college related inquiries*



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