



## **"PRCA Academic Permit"**

Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association

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### Overview:

- Must be over the age of 18 to be eligible for the PRCA Academic Permit
- Must be an active NIRA member in good standing
- Will receive a \$100 discount off of a PRCA membership (either permit or card) while a NIRA member
- If a PRCA permit is purchased, points won on a NIRA membership will combine with PRCA money won toward filling the permit (\$1,000)
- NIRA points will not count toward PRCA limited entry qualifications
- A current PRCA permit holder will not be eligible for the \$100 discount. However, current permit holders will be able to count their NIRA points toward filling their existing permit. Exception will be if a current member fills their existing permit and chooses to purchase a 2nd PRCA permit and meets all program requirements, then they will be eligible for the discount.
- The program began with the 2012/2013 NIRA season. Participants after that date will be able to count their NIRA points retroactively toward filling their PRCA permit
- Participants will be able to stay on their Academic Permit until they graduate college so long as they maintain good standing in the NIRA
- Should a contestant chose to purchase their PRCA membership after they graduate or no longer meet NIRA eligibility requirements, contestant will no longer be eligible for the PRCA membership discount. However, NIRA points earned will still be credited toward filling a PRCA permit.



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