



*Basset Hound Club of America, Inc.*

*Are You Ready to Follow The*  
**Yellow Brick Road**  
*To Breeding*  
**Better Basset Hounds?**



**Preserving the**  
**QUALITY of Our Breed**  
**Takes a BRAIN,**  
**COURAGE and a**  
**HEART!**

# Support BHCA *Preservation Breeding* through breeder education and help protect the health, conformation and original function of the Basset Hound.

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Preservation breeders “purposely” produce quality, healthy purebred dogs that conform to an official breed standard. Join the Basset Hound Club of America’s educational journey along the **Yellow Brick Road**.

BHCA’s *Breed Preservation Grant Program* is committed to providing breeder education with a goal of preserving the **quality of the purebred Basset Hound** based on our **AKC breed standard**.

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## Sign up now! Our investment in educating our breeders is an investment in a brighter future for our breed.

Much like following the yellow brick road in the **Wizard of Oz**, preserving purebred dogs takes a *brain, courage and a heart*.

An illustration of the Yellow Brick Road from the Wizard of Oz, winding through a green landscape towards a castle. In the foreground, the four main characters are walking away from the viewer: the Lion, the Scarecrow, the Tin Man, and Dorothy. Three blue boxes with white text are placed along the road: 'LION SCHOOL' on the left, 'TIN MAN SCHOOL' in the middle, and 'SCARECROW SCHOOL' on the right.

**TIN MAN SCHOOL**

**LION SCHOOL**

**SCARECROW SCHOOL**

**BRAIN** A brain is necessary to learn breeding principles and how to breed healthy Basset Hounds that conform to the breed standard.

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**COURAGE** Courage is needed to avoid kennel blindness and to be honest and forthcoming with fellow breeders and pet owners regarding genetic diseases.

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**HEART** It takes heart to face breeding challenges along the way and to understand that every dog we place becomes a member of someone’s family.

# Invest in the future of the Basset Hound. Successfully complete 3 Education MILESTONES and receive a BHCA Preservation Breeder Grant.

**Milestone 1** teaches principles of breeding and anatomy through the **ABCs of Dog Breeding** in the **Scarecrow School**. The Scarecrow in the Wonderful Wizard of Oz wished for a brain, which is needed to learn important breeding concepts.

**Milestone 2** involves understanding the Basset Hound breed standard and is called the **Lion School**. The Lion from Oz wished for courage, which is necessary to avoid kennel blindness and to be honest about genetic diseases.

**Milestone 3** focuses on owning a Basset Hound and is named the **Tin Man School**. The Tin Man desired a heart, which is required to face breeding challenges and to understand that every dog we place becomes a member of someone's family.

Successfully completing these 3 courses earns you a \$600 education GRANT as well as a *Certificate of Achievement* and a BHCA Preservation Breeder pin.

Recipients of Achievement Certificates will be published in *Tally-Ho* and announced annually at the BHCA National Specialty.

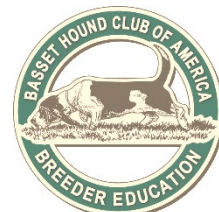
 <p><b>SCARECROW SCHOOL</b> of Breeding &amp; Anatomy</p>		<b>Course:</b> ABCs of Dog Breeding
 <p><b>LION SCHOOL</b> of the Breed Standard</p>		<b>Course:</b> Basset Hound Breed Standard
 <p><b>TIN MAN SCHOOL</b> of Owning A Basset Hound</p>		<b>Course:</b> Basset Hound Owner's Guide

**Grant for Completing All 3 Courses: \$600**

*In addition to a cash award, graduates of the Breed Preservation Grant Program receive a Certificate of Achievement...*



*and a BHCA Preservation Breeder Pin.*





# The BHCA Breed Preservation Grant Program

## *Investing in the Future of Our Breed!*

The Basset Hound Club of America's *Breed Preservation Grant Program* is committed to providing **breeder education**, with a goal of preserving the **quality of the purebred Basset Hound** based on the **AKC breed standard**.

### APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

1. You must be a member in good standing of the Basset Hound Club of America.
2. You must currently be a breeder, or if you are no longer breeding, be an approved BHCA breeder mentor and/or member of the BHCA Breeder Education committee.
3. BHCA breeder judges and professional handlers of Basset Hounds are encouraged to apply.
4. Members who show a strong desire to start breeding Basset Hounds and are sponsored by 2 BHCA members may apply.
5. All applicants must be approved by the Breeder Education Committee, with final approval to be given by the BHCA Board of Directors.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. **What is the format of the test questions?**  
Test questions use easy to answer formats like True and False, Multiple Choice and Fill in the Blanks.
2. **Are the test questions open or closed book?**  
All tests are open book and all answers may be looked up in the course materials.
3. **What is a passing grade? Can I take a test more than once?**  
80% of questions must be answered correctly. A test may be taken as many times as necessary to achieve a passing grade.
4. **Do I have to pay to enroll in the program or pay for the course materials?**  
The course materials and tests are free of charge and will be mailed to those BHCA members who are accepted into the program. Complete instructions will be included in your Breed Preservation Grant welcome kit.