

**DeKalb County 4-H Foundation
Educational Scholarship Application**

Applicant Criteria:

1. Applicants must be current or past DeKalb County 4-H members, who are high school seniors or in an approved post-high school educational program (junior college, 4-year university, trade school, etc.). Applicants should also be a fulltime student.
2. The number of recipients shall be determined by the DeKalb County 4-H Foundation. Scholarship will be one \$500 scholarship paid directly to the scholarship recipient's college upon receipt of proof of enrollment in an approved post-high school educational program. Once a member has been awarded this scholarship they are ineligible to reapply.
3. **All applications are due by 4 p.m. on Friday, April 24.** Application should be typed or neatly written.
4. Applicants may be required to participate in an interview. Applicants will be contacted for an interview time.
5. The application must include one reference letter (Not from an Extension staff member). Reference letters should address applicant's leadership, teamwork, citizenship, and interpersonal skills. Reference letters should NOT be from individuals related to the applicant. The applicant must also include an official transcript of current grades.
6. Completed applications and questions may be directed to:

University of Illinois Extension, DeKalb County
4-H Youth Development Educator or Community Worker
1350 W. Prairie Drive
Sycamore, IL 60178
(815) 758-8194
8. Complete the following signatures.

Applicant Statement

I personally have prepared this application and certify that it accurately reflects my work.

Applicant Signature: _____

Parental Signature: _____

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Applicant Information

Name: _____

Current Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone #: (_____) _____ E-mail Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security #: _____ - _____ - _____

Number of years as a 4-H Member: _____

4-H Club Affiliated with: _____

Provide your high school/post-high school grade point average. *(An official transcript must be included with this application or the application will not be considered. Post-high school students should complete both levels listed.)*

High School: _____ on a _____ point scale. Rank in class: _____ of _____

Post-High School: _____ on a _____ point scale.

Please provide the information below. This will only be utilized if you are selected as a scholarship recipient.

Colleges you have applied to: _____

Are there other members of your immediate household that will be attending college during this year?

____ Yes ____ No If yes, who?

Recommendation Contact

Complete the information below on the individual who will be writing your recommendation letter for this scholarship.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Section I – 4-H Participation

Indicate activity participation throughout your 4-H membership.

A. County/Club Level	Yes	No	# of Years
1. County 4-H Federation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
2. County 4-H Ambassadors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
3. County 4-H General Project Show	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
4. County 4-H Livestock Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
5. I Dare You Award Recipient	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
6. 4-H Achievement Award Recipient	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
7. 4-H Service Award Recipient	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
8. 4-H Leadership Award Recipient	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
9. Top 4-H'ers Award Winner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
10. County Project Award Winner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
11. Top 15% Award Winner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
12. 4-H General Project Show Plaque Winner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
13. 4-H Livestock Fair Plaque Winner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
14. 4-H Federation Foodstand Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
15. 4-H Foundation Pork Chop BBQ Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
16. N.I.U. Football Concession Stand Worker	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
17. Biking with Beanie Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
18. 8-12 Year Old Holiday Fest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
19. Share the Fun Recognition Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
20. 4-H Public Speaking Contest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
21. 4-H Project Days	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
22. 4-H Super Saturday	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
23. Officer Training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
24. County Horse Bowl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
25. County Hippology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
 B. State and Multi-County Level			
1. Illinois 4-H Leadership Convention	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
2. Regional Leadership Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
3. State Fair Staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
4. Legislative Connections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
5. Regional/State Volunteer Forum	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
6. State 4-H Blue Award Recipient	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
7. State Fair Exhibitor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
8. 4-H Camp Participant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
9. Regional Horse Bowl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

Name _____

C. State and Multi-County Level (continued)

	Yes	No	# of Years
10. Regional Hippology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
11. State Horse Bowl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
12. State Hippology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
13. Livestock Judging Contest(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
14. Other 4-H State/Multi-County Activities			
a) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>		
b) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>		

D. National Level

1. National 4-H Conference (Washington D.C.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
2. Citizenship Washington Focus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
3. International Exchanges (Japanese Exchange, IFYE, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
4. National Congress	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
5. National 4-H Dairy Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
6. North Central Volunteer Forum	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
7. National Technology Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
8. National Livestock Judging Contest(s) (all species or areas)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
9. Other 4-H Activities _____	<input type="checkbox"/>		_____

Section II – 4-H Leadership

Indicate leadership involvement throughout your 4-H membership.

1. State 4-H Youth Leadership Team	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
2. Illinois 4-H Leadership Convention Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
3. Regional Leadership Conference Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
4. State Fair Jr. Department Advisory Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
5. State Technology Team	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
6. 4-H Ambassador/Legislative Ambassador	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
7. Federation Officer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
8. Extension Council or Expansion and Review Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
9. Jr. Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
10. 4-H Find Party Activity Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
11. 4-H/4-C Activity Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
12. 8-12 Year Old Holiday Fest Activity Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
13. Cloverbud Sensational Saturday Leader	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
14. Super Saturday Workshop Presenter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
15. 4-H Fashion Review Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
16. 4-H General Project Awards Program Presenter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

Section II – 4-H Leadership (continued)

	Yes	No	# of Years
17. 4-H Share the Fun/Recognition Night Presenter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
18. Camp Counselor (ex. Science Siesta, Camp Shaw)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
19. 4-H Club Officer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
20. 4-H Club Committee Chair	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
21. County 4-H General Project Show volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
22. Other 4-H Leadership			
a) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
b) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

Section III – Scholarship Questions

Applicants must answer the following questions in order to be considered for this scholarship. Answers to your questions must be typed using a format of your choice; however you are limited to four (4) single-sided pages. Type should be no smaller than 12 point. Margins must be a minimum of ½" on all four edges. Questions and pages should be numbered.

1. What do you feel are your most important 4-H accomplishments?
2. What projects have you excelled in, and why did you pursue this project area?
3. List community service involvement over the past 5 years and hours per week/month you served/worked and total duration of your service.
4. Highlight your school, church and/or community activities.
5. In what way do you see yourself giving back to the 4-H in the future?
6. What are your educational and career plans?