



UNION COUNTY 4-H ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Eligibility:

Applicant must be a high school senior that is an enrolled Union County 4-H member.

Applicant must be a current 4-H member in good standing for at least three years in ninth through twelfth grade.

Instructions:

Only complete application packets will be considered for review.

All application packets must be submitted to the OSU Extension, Union County Office by 5:00 pm on March 1st.

Since this will be a blind review, **please avoid identifying the applicant by name** as much as possible.

Application packet includes:

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| 1. | 4-H essay (minimum of 350 words/maximum 3 pages) | 25 pt |
| | Essay ideas: | |
| | How 4-H has focused my future | |
| | How 4-H has affected me | |
| | How my 4-H experience will continue to benefit my community | |
| | Personal growth through 4-H | |
| | 4-H activities involved in | |
| 2. | Letter of recommendation from active 4-H leader, attached to application | 15 pt |
| | Must contain an excerpt about: | |
| | Club involvement | |
| | Leadership in club | |
| | Community service | |
| | Any additional comments | |
| | It can be emailed, mailed or hand delivered, must be in before March 1st | |
| 3. | Two letters of recommendation, attached to application. | 10 pt |
| | 5 point each | |
| | Please let individuals know that this is a BLIND process- so please try not to over use your name as they will be blacked out. | |
| | Can be emailed, mailed or hand delivered, must be in before March 1st | |
| 4. | High school transcript | 10 pt |
| | GPA & above - 10 pt | |
| | Below 2.0 - 5 pt | |
| 5. | Completed application questionnaire | 30 pt |
| | 6 points each section | |
| | 1. Outstanding 4-H event (A & B) | |
| | 2. Contribution to 4-H (C) | |
| | 3. Obstacles overcome (D) | |
| | 4. Career goals, Area of planned study (E & F) | |
| | 5. Community involvement, Leadership (G & H) | |
| 6. | 4-H resume | 10 pt |
| | Total points possible | 100 pt |

Scholarship Criteria:

- contribution to 4-H program (based on essay and application questionnaire)
- leadership and community involvement
- academic records and school involvement

The Association will give 1-2 scholarships in the amount of \$500-1000 (depending on budgeted amount). Scholarships will be awarded directly to the recipient at their awards/graduation ceremony.

Scholarship application deadline is **March 1st at 5:00 p.m. to the Extension Office!**

Scholarship selection will be completed by May 1st.

Scholarship to be used toward expenses for schooling of your choice.

Selection Process:

A 3-5 person scholarship committee will choose winning applicants. The scholarship committee is appointed by the Union County 4-H Association Executive Council and can consist of 4-H Leader(s) and/or community member(s) that have no knowledge of any scholarship applicants. In addition to the scholarship committee, one executive council member will act as liaison in a non-voting capacity. In the case of a tied score, an interview may be required.

Application review and scholarship selection committee will meet jointly after application deadline and before graduation. The executive liaison will present the recommendations to the executive board for final approval.



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Application



Only complete applications will be considered. Additional pages may be added to complete question.
(questions can be answered on this form or no more than 2 typed pages)

A) What was your most outstanding 4-H experience?

B) What have you gained from 4-H?

C) What has 4-H gained from you?

D) What obstacles have you overcome? (4-H or personal)

E) What school do you plan to attend, what is your planned area of study, and what are your career goals?

F) How have your future plans been influenced by your involvement in 4-H?

G) How have you been of benefit to your community?

H) Tell about your leadership activities and skills.
