

February 7, 2019

TO: Jones County 4-H/FFA High School Seniors
RE: Jones County 4-H Scholarship Program
FR: Molly Schmitt, County Youth Program Coordinator

If you are currently a Jones County 4-H and/or FFA member, a high school senior and are planning to continue your post-secondary education, you may qualify for this scholarship opportunity.

Jones County 4-H and the Jones County 4-H Blue Ribbon Fund has again combined efforts to support scholarships for graduating high school seniors that are 4-H and/or FFA members. Thanks to the generosity of the Varlyn and Jane Fink family, the 4-H Leadership and Community Service Scholarship is offered for the sixth year.

See the enclosed information sheets for complete details on eligibility and application procedures. This information is also available on our county website www.extension.iastate.edu/jones.

The selection of the winners will be based on the written application and letters of reference. **All components of the application are due to the Jones County Extension and Outreach office no later than midnight on Sunday, March 10, 2019.**

If you have further questions in regards to the scholarships, please contact the Jones County Extension and Outreach office at 319-465-3224.

Jones County 4-H Scholarships

AWARDS

1. One \$750 scholarship will be awarded as a Jones County 4-H Scholarship
 - Selection will be based on overall 4-H participation and personal growth
 - *Presented by Jones County 4-H and Jones County 4-H Blue Ribbon Fund*
2. One \$750 scholarship will be awarded as a Livestock/Animal Exhibitor Scholarship
 - Applicants must have exhibited at least one 4-H and/or FFA livestock/animal project at the Great Jones County Fair during their 4-H and/or FFA career
 - *Presented by Jones County 4-H and Jones County 4-H Blue Ribbon Fund*
3. One \$800 scholarship will be awarded as a 4-H Leadership and Community Service Scholarship based on a 4-H member's leadership and community service experience
 - Presented to a Jones County 4-H member who participated in training and activities that emphasized leadership and community service during their 4-H career
 - *Presented by the Varlyn and Jane Fink family*

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant must be a resident of Jones County
2. Applicant must be a graduating senior in high school
3. Applicant must be an active member of a Jones County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter. Qualified FFA members are only eligible for the Livestock/Animal Exhibitor Scholarship
4. Applicants must be entering professions or vocations requiring a minimum of 6 months of college or career school

APPLICATION COMPONENTS

The following application components are required:

1. Jones County 4-H/FFA Scholarship Application Form
2. Two letters of reference
 - One from a present or past 4-H club leader/FFA chapter advisor
 - One from another person other than a family member (i.e.: academic advisor, teacher, minister, employer)

PROCEDURES

1. Application and letters of reference must be returned no later than midnight on Sunday, March 10, 2019. Applications may be submitted one of three ways:
 - Hand-delivered during office hours (Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.)
 - Mailed to Jones County Extension and Outreach, 800 N. Maple St., Ste. 2, PO Box 28, Monticello, IA 52310
 - Emailed to Molly Schmitt, County Youth Program Coordinator, at mollyrs@iastate.edu
2. Written applications and supplemental materials will be evaluated and scored by a committee
3. Scholarship funds will be awarded to the recipient upon selection. Awardees will be required to submit their transcript to the Jones County Extension and Outreach office from the first term of college/school as proof of enrollment

JONES COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIP
Application Form

Name: _____

Years in 4-H (or FFA): _____ Age: _____

Club/Chapter: _____

College/School you plan to attend: _____

Expected major or area of study: _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

4-H Leader/FFA Advisor Signature: _____

I would like to be considered for the following Jones County Scholarships: (mark all appropriate)

_____ Jones County 4-H Scholarship

_____ 4-H/FFA Livestock/Animal Exhibitor Scholarship

_____ 4-H Leadership/Community Service Scholarship

Attach a personal resume (maximum ONE page) that includes the following information:

- Name, address and phone number
- Education completed (include High School class rank/size and GPA)
- 4-H (or FFA) experience (projects, leadership/citizenship/communication activities/recognition/awards, etc.)
- Other school/community leadership activities

Attach additional page(s) (maximum TWO pages) with answers to the following questions:

1. Briefly state your long- and short-term goals. (Include how a college education fits into your future plans).
2. How has 4-H (or FFA) helped you plan for your future?
3. In what other ways have you personally benefited from 4-H (or FFA)? (Include the 4-H (or FFA) leadership or citizenship experience that was most important to you).
4. How would you encourage younger members to make the most of their 4-H (or FFA) career?

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5. Please answer the following questions specific to each scholarship on additional sheet(s) of paper:

- **Jones County 4-H Scholarship (maximum ONE page)**

5a. Who is your role model or mentor? Why? (explain qualities you admire, how they have helped you grow personally, why you chose them, etc.)

5b. List ways you've helped others throughout your 4-H career. (mentoring, community service, leadership, etc.)

- **4-H/FFA Livestock/Animal Exhibitor Scholarship (maximum ONE page)**

5c. List the size and scope of your participation in the livestock/animal industry. (include all 4-H/FFA livestock/animal projects owned and completed throughout your 4-H/FFA career(s), accomplishments exhibiting livestock/animal projects, etc.)

5d. Include an essay of 250 words or less summarizing your experiences and responsibilities within the livestock/animal industry. (emphasize what you have gained or learned from your livestock/animal projects, exhibitions and evaluations, classes, employment, daily chores, volunteer work, etc.)

- **4-H Leadership/Community Service Scholarship (maximum ONE page)**

5e. List the size and scope of your leadership and community service experiences. (include appropriate involvement through 4-H, as well as through other school, church and civic organizations)

5f. Include an essay of 250 words or less summarizing your experiences and responsibilities related to leadership and community service. (emphasize what you have gained or learned from these experiences, as well as how you might use them during the next four years and beyond)

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