Gary Stamey

Junior Beef Scholarship

The WNC Beef Cattle Commission of WNC Communities established the Gary Stamey Jr. Beef Scholarship in 2014 to honor the memory of Gary Stamey. Selection of recipients for the Gary Stamey Jr. Beef Scholarship is conducted annually according to the following eligibility guidelines and judging criteria.

Program Managed By:

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ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must live in one of the following counties of Western North Carolina: Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Cherokee, Clay, Cleveland, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga, Yancey, and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Applicants must:

- have participated in any 3 Junior Beef Shows prior to submitting application
- have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average
- be enrolled or plan to enroll in a 2- or 4-year college or university
- be a high school senior or any year in college

Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously received the scholarship and are enrolled in or plan to enroll in an agriculture curriculum.

CRITERIA

- Good character
- Extracurricular activities
- Community service (outstanding contributions to school and community)
- Academic ability and achievement

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION

Applications and supporting materials must be received at WNC Communities by Monday**, June 2, 2025** for the Committee's consideration. Application must be complete with the following items to be considered:

- Typed, completed application form (attached)
- Transcripts
- Essay
- Signature and date on final page of application

SELECTION AND AWARD

This scholarship is available on an annual basis with preference given to new recipients. It is awarded without regard to race, creed, sex, ethnic background, handicap, or origin. Based on the stated criteria, the Scholarship Committee may select a recipient from completed applications. If no qualifying applications are received, the Scholarship Committee may elect not to award a scholarship for the year. The student selected to receive the scholarship will be notified by August 4, 2025 and be presented with a certificate at an award ceremony at the opening of the 2025 NC Mountain State Fair Junior Beef Show. Payment of the $500 scholarship will be made directly to the recipient's college or university following the show.

GARY STAMEY JUNIOR BEEF SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION FORM

for electronic version of application, email danabrown@wnccommunities.org

Application must be typed.

Name:

Address:

Email:

City: State: Zip:

Cell phone:

College or University attending:

Cumulative grade point average:

Current or anticipated college major:

Are you or your parents active members of the WNC Beef Cattle Commission?

Livestock Experience

1. Have you participated in at least three Junior Beef Shows? If yes, please list the names and dates of the Junior Beef shows in which you participated:

2. List livestock projects and number of years in each.

3. List livestock show participation by year and level with the following indications:
   C = Community, D = District, S = State, N = National

4. List club activity participation.

5. List other livestock activity participation including years of participation in judging teams, bowl teams, presentations, etc.

6. List livestock presentations given including audience size and year for agriculture awareness, field days, workshops conducted, programs given to school or other groups, etc.

7. List honors received and include the year honor given.

Other Experience

1. List high school club offices and year held with the following indications:

   L = Local, C = County, D = District, S = State

2. List leadership activities.

3. List community service and citizenship activities

4. List extracurricular activities and distinctions.

Essay Question (no more than one page)

Please tell us about your plans for after college and how they have been influenced by your involvement in agricultural projects.

Certification

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship awarded. I also certify that I have read the instructions and will comply with all requests for grade reports, transcripts. I certify that, should I be awarded the scholarship, I will inform the scholarship committee of any changes in my plans of study.

Applicant's signature: _____Date: _____

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Application Checklist:

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Essay
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Mail or deliver application packages to:
WNC Communities
594 Brevard Road
Asheville, NC 28806

You may email application packages to: danabrown@wnccommunities.org

QUESTIONS: Call 828-252-4783