

Rock County 4-H Fair Alumni Association
2025 Scholarship Application
Due March 1st, 2025

Upon completion, please email this application with supporting documentation to:
rcfairalumnischolarships@gmail.com

The Rock County 4-H Fair Alumni Association is pleased to offer \$1,000 scholarships to Rock County 4-H and FFA members who are currently high-school seniors or in the first year of post-secondary education. One \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded to the 2025 Elite Scholar (highest application score). Scholarships will be awarded at high-school scholarship award programs and at the Rock County 4-H Fair Alumni Association annual meeting during the Fair. Failure to attend the annual meeting, ***which will be held on Sunday, July 27, 2025***, could result in the forfeiture of any scholarship money awarded. Previous scholarship winners are not eligible.

Students selected as scholarship recipients must maintain a 2.0 GPA during their fall semester of post-secondary education. Transcripts must be submitted to rcfairalumnischolarships@gmail.com upon completion of the fall semester for payment of the scholarship. Applicants **must use 2025 application!** Feel free to add spaces/pages as needed to complete your answers.

Requirements:

1. **Typed, not handwritten**, applications must be submitted electronically by March 1, 2025, to rcfairalumnischolarships@gmail.com
2. Applicant and parent/guardian must sign the application. (If you cannot insert an electronic signature, please print the last page of the application, sign and scan to submit.)
3. In addition to this application, your final email submission must also include the following attachments:
 - A copy of your high school and/or post-secondary **transcript(s)** either with your application, or if your school utilizes a digital transcript service, you can have your transcript sent directly to rcfairalumnischolarships@gmail.com
 - A **photo** to be used for publicity purposes. (Picture should be head shoulder yearbook-type photo; no glamour photos.) If your picture was professionally taken, please include a photo release for reprints.
 - **Two letters of recommendation; including one from a 4-H or FFA reference.**
4. **Incomplete or late applications will not be considered**. It is your responsibility to ensure letters of recommendation and transcripts are emailed with the application or submitted on your behalf. Failure to include a photo will constitute an incomplete application.
5. If you have any questions, please email rcfairalumnischolarships@gmail.com

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Name: _____ Age: _____ Birth date: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email (please list a non-school email address): _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian email: _____

EDUCATION

High School: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____ on _____ scale

Currently attending (if different from high school): _____

4-H AND FFA EXPERIENCE

4-H Club: _____ Total Years of 4-H Membership: _____

FFA Chapter: _____ Total Years of FFA Membership: _____

- Summary of project/SAE and activity participation (please use list format):

- 4-H and FFA honors, awards and trips earned (please use list format):

4-H AND FFA LEADERSHIP ESSAY

In 1000 words or less, describe your *leadership experiences* related to 4-H and FFA:

FAIR EXPERIENCE ESSAY

In 1000 words or less, describe your participation in the Rock County 4-H Fair, including how many years you have exhibited and what impact the Fair has had on you as an individual:

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

In 1000 words or less, describe your participation in activities in school and your community, including leadership roles (clubs, athletics, school, church, community service, etc.)

FUTURE GOALS

School that you plan to attend this fall: _____

Major/ minor or course of study that you will pursue: _____

In 500 words or less, please describe your goals and plans for after you've completed your schooling.

In 500 words or less, briefly describe how this scholarship will be helpful to you, helping us understand your financial need.

Optional--In 500 words or less, add any additional comments that will support your application.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Please submit **two** letters of recommendation with this application. At least one should be from a 4-H or FFA reference. Letters of recommendation may be from adult references that have experience with you, (teachers, guidance counselors, 4-H or FFA leaders, coaches, church leaders, etc.).

Reference #1: _____ Phone: _____

Reference #2: _____ Phone: _____

SIGNATURES

Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

By signing below, I (or my parents, if I am under the age of 18) grant permission for basic information about me to be included in press releases and other promotional materials about the scholarships awarded by the Rock County 4-H Fair Alumni Association.

Signed _____ Date: _____