

2026 SCHWEINLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Application due by March 27, 2026 at 5:00 pm

1. Applications can be obtained from the following sources:
 - a. Leon County Youth Livestock Show: www.lcyla.net **OR** email a request to leonco.showsecretary@gmail.com
 - b. Questions can be directed to Taylor Sadler at taylor.sul94@gmail.com or call/text (936) 649-2278.
2. **APPLICATIONS ARE DUE FRIDAY MARCH 20, 2026 BY 5:00 PM** to the Leon County Extension Office OR mailed via USPS to PO Box 111, Buffalo, TX 75831. If mailed, application must be postmarked by March 14, 2026. **FAXED OR EMAILED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
3. Applicant must have participated as a Leon County Youth Livestock Show exhibitor or contest participant (i.e. Livestock Judging, Ag Mechanics, etc.) in the Leon County Youth Livestock Show as a member of a Leon County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter for a minimum of four (4) years.
4. Applicant must be a graduating senior during the year of application.
5. This scholarship will be paid directly to the institution of higher learning for the benefit of the recipient **at the end of the first completed regular semester of college**. Applicants must take AND complete a minimum of **12 hours** during the semester and **maintain a minimum of 2.5 GPA**. **Applicants will lose the scholarship if not used by the end of the 2027 fall semester**. To receive the funds, the recipient must provide the Leon County Youth Livestock Show Secretary an **official copy** of the transcript following the completion of his/her first semester of college and a copy of his/her schedule for the current semester showing enrollment. *In the event of extenuating circumstances, the Leon County Youth Livestock Show reserves the right to consider payment of scholarship funds on an individual basis.*
6. Applicant **must provide three (3) letters of recommendation with the application**. Only one (1) letter can be from a teacher, principal or counselor not related to the applicant. The other two (2) letters are to be from adults who are not related to the applicant.
7. Applicant will need to provide an up-to-date official high school transcript showing SAT and/or ACT scores.
8. Applicant must have been accepted into an accredited college or vocational school. **Please provide a copy of your acceptance letter with your application.**
9. **Interviews will be conducted on Wednesday April 1, 2026 at 6:00 PM at The First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall**. The address is 245 S. Commerce Centerville, 75833.

10. Applicants will be judged according to the following criteria:	
a. Awards (4-H and FFA) 15%
b. Summary of Show Participation 15%
c. Project Experiences 15%
d. Academic Achievement 15%
e. School/Community Awards and Honors 10%
f. Personal Essay 10%
g. Interview 20%
	Total 100%

11. One scholarship in the amount of \$4,000.00 will be awarded.

12. **Applicants will be notified of interview times by March 30th, 2026 by 6:00 PM** by Taylor Sadler.
Contact information is listed above.

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APPLICATION**

Name of Student: _____

DOB: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Information:

	NAME	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS
FATHER			
MOTHER			
GUARDIAN			
GUARDIAN			

How do you plan to finance your education?

Amount you have saved towards your education: _____

List of scholarships and amounts that you have applied for that are confirmed or pending:

Scholarship Name	Amount	Confirmed/Pending

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What is your proposed area of study or major? _____

List the awards and honors received in 4-H and FFA:

List your school and community awards and honors:

How many years have you participated as a livestock exhibitor or as a contest participant in the Leon County Youth Livestock Show? _____

Briefly summarize your most current four (4) years of participation as a livestock exhibitor or as a contest participant of the Leon County Youth Livestock Show. Explain your projects, placings, awards, along with your personal experiences. Organize your response by year.

Project Experience Essay

Describe how individuals, your community, as well as any organization has impacted your life through the Leon County Livestock Show. Additional pages can be added if needed.

Project Experience

How will your experiences as a livestock exhibitor or a contest participant in the Leon County Livestock Show contribute to your future success?