Washington State 4-H Scholarships

Washington State 4-H scholarships are offered to encourage 4-H members to continue their education beyond high school. All five parts of the Washington State 4-H Scholarship application, listed in the section below, are required to be considered for scholarships. Please read the instructions carefully.

ELIGIBILITY: Washington State 4-H members who are high school seniors or completing their GED are eligible to apply. **Applicants must have their enrollments approved by March 1**st and have accumulated at least 2 year of 4-H affiliation and currently in 4-H.

CRITERIA: Scholarship awards will be based on:

- 1. Compatibility to scholarship criteria.
- 2. Leadership and participation in 4-H as demonstrated through your essay and resume.
- 3. Community service.
- 4. Scholastic ability and achievement.

Required Parts of your Application

Please write and gather all parts of the application before you fill out the online application. All components must be included for your application to be considered complete. All documents must be combined into one PDF document to be uploaded.

- Application Complete the Washington State 4-H Youth Scholarship Application in 4-H Online (https://v2.4honline.com) – deadline to submit March 15
- 2. Resume Include the duration and extent of your involvement in 4-H, your leadership, roles and responsibilities, the size and scope of your project, time spent, community service, and what you accomplished individually or as part of a team. Also, include any non-4-H volunteerism and community involvement. Specify what is 4-H and what is non-4-H.
- 3. Essay Must be 2 pages, double-spaced, 12-point font, with 1" margins. Introduce yourself, including where you live, when and why you became involved in 4-H. Highlight your 4-H projects and activities, including major learning experiences, special interests, and achievements. Describe how 4-H has influence your decision of what two or four-year college you will be attending, what you plan to major in, and plans for your future. Write about how your involvement in 4-H exemplifies each part of the "4-H pledge", (but do not just quote the 4-H pledge), what life skills 4-H provided you, how you will utilize them in the future, and how 4-H has affected your personal development. Describe non-4-H related involvement, employment, school, sports, youth, and community engagement.
- 4. <u>Two Letters of Recommendation</u> One of which must be from an academic advisor, or school official on institution letterhead. One must be from someone who knows you personally and what you have accomplished (not a parent or relative).
- 5. Academic Transcript include a copy of your high school transcript (unofficial is fine).

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 15

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