

PIERCE COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Deadline: Applications **must be received** at the Pierce County 4-H Office by **March 15th**.

The Pierce County 4-H Council believes in the 4-H Program and life skills it develops: Leadership, teamwork, communication skills, goal setting, service learning, management, initiative, self-discipline, decision making.... We are happy to acknowledge those youth who have worked with 4-H, and we believe in their future. The Pierce County 4-H Council offers scholarships from \$250 to \$750 to 4-H senior members bound for post high school education.

APPLICANT

Name:	Date of Birth:	Phone:
Address:		
City:	State: Washington	Zip:
Email Address/s:		

4-H CLUB INFORMATION

Name of 4-H Club:	Main 4-H Club Leader:	Phone Number:
Years in above Club:	Years in a 4-H Leadership Program:	Total Years in 4-H:
List of all other 4-H Club Membership:	City, County and State:	Years involved:

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

High School:	City:	Years attended:	Graduation Date:
Extra Curricular Activities:			
Non 4-H Community Activities:			
College, University, Vocational School, etc. Applied to:			

Please print neatly in ink or type all information.
 Application must be on the original form. No photo copies accepted.

I HAVE MET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- ___ Currently enrolled as a Pierce County 4-H member.
- ___ Enrolled as a 4-H member for the past three (3) years.
- ___ Enrolled and active for one year in the available Leadership Projects, within Pierce County.
- ___ Participated as a 4-H member in community service project(s).
- ___ Been in good standing with the Pierce County 4-H Program.
- ___ Graduating from high school the same year as application is made and will be attending an accredited school (trade, college or university) in the fall.
- ___ Delivered the scholarship application to the Pierce County 4-H Office, Attn: Scholarship Committee, 3602 Pacific Avenue, Suite 200, Tacoma WA 98418, by March 15th.

I HAVE INCLUDED ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- ___ Pierce County Council Scholarship Application Form
- ___ A typewritten essay (not more than 500 words) entitled "How 4-H Has Influenced Me" using Arial 12, with 1 inch margins.
- ___ Letters of recommendation from two non-family members who know me well and are able to speak of my strengths in leadership and community service. (Suggested sources: 4-H Leader, 4-H staff member, family friend, teacher, religious leader, mentor.)
- ___ High school transcripts or acceptance letter from college or trade school.

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I have met all of the above criteria and certify that the information supplied on this application and attachments are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that willful misrepresentation will eliminate me from consideration for the scholarship.

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**Applicant's Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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I have verified that the above applicant has met all minimum 4-H Club and Project enrollment criteria and is in good standing with the Pierce County 4-H Program.

Pierce County 4-H Leader's Signature

Date

Pierce County 4-H Agent or Program Assistant's Signature

Date

3602 Pacific Avenue, Suite 200, Tacoma WA 98418-7920
253-798-7160 // Fax: 253-798-3165 // TDD 1-800-833-6388

Cooperating agencies: Washington State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Pierce County.
Extension programs and employment are available to all without discrimination.
Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office.

In the following sections, please list information in chronological order, beginning with the most recent activities. List information and positions held for the past three years. **Attach additional pages, if needed.**

LEADERSHIP

4-H Project Teen Leadership

Year	Project	Your Duties	Size of Group

4-H Club Leadership

Year	Name of Activity/Office	Your Duties	Size of Club/Committee

County, District, and State Level 4-H Leadership

Year	Project	Your Duties	Size of Group

COMMUNITY SERVICE IN THE NAME OF 4-H

List 4-H Community Service projects affiliated with Club, County, District, or State 4-H

Project Name:	Year:	Affiliation:
Goal of Project:		
Your Duties:		
Length & Scope:		
Project Name:	Year:	Affiliation:
Goal of Project:		
Your Duties:		
Length & Scope:		
Project Name:	Year:	Affiliation:
Goal of Project:		
Your Duties:		
Length & Scope:		

SELECTION PROCESS

1. All applications will be reviewed for completeness immediately following the scholarship deadline. **Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.**
2. Verification will be made by the 4-H Agent and/or the 4-H Program Assistant that the applicant is a 4-H member in good standing and has met all minimum criteria.
3. All applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Selection Committee. Applications will be rated and ranked based on the listed criteria (see insert).
4. Maximum score of 80 points can be awarded based on submitted materials.
5. The top five applicants receiving 50 points or more on the submitted materials will participate in an interview with the Scholarship Selection Committee.
6. Recipients of scholarships will be determined by the highest scores resulting from the above process.
7. Recipients of the scholarships will be declared at the Pierce County Fair in August.

Evidence of 4-H leadership.....	20 pts
Community Service in the name of 4-H.....	20 pts
*Essay – the influence of 4-H.....	20 pts
Academic Performance.....	10 pts
Community Involvement.....	5 pts
Neatness and clarity of the application.....	5 pts

**Essay = Inadequate proofing and grammatical errors may result in a deduction of points.*

DISTRIBUTION OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Each recipient of the Pierce County 4-H Council Scholarship will be given a check payable to the institute of higher learning upon proof of enrollment at said institution. Unclaimed scholarship funds after January 1 of the following year will revert to the 4-H Council.

The 4-H Council Executive Board reserves the right to suspend the awarding of the scholarship in any given year if no applicant meets the stated criteria or if, in the opinion of the Board, awarding the scholarship would not be in the best interests of the Pierce County 4-H Council or Washington State 4-H.

PROMOTION OF 4-H (Optional)

I give the Pierce County 4-H Council permission to use the enclosed information for 4-H promotional purposes. This excludes my high school transcriptions, which will remain confidential.

Applicant’s signature: _____ Date _____

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