

Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation Scholarship Application Form

IMPORTANT: All scholarship application materials, including general leader reflection forms must be mailed and postmarked by **March 1st** to: **Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation, Attn: Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 176, Cedarburg, WI 53012**

The Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation is making scholarships available to any active Ozaukee County 4-H member who is in their current high school graduating senior class, or one year past high school, with at least five years of 4-H Club membership and has fulfilled all 4-H achievement requirements in that year. Once an applicant is awarded a scholarship, they are not eligible to re-apply.

Scholarship applications **must include** an electronically completed cover letter and resume that summarizes your 4-H participation and accomplishments, as well as school, church, and community involvement and other activities and volunteer opportunities (see selection criteria below), two letters of recommendation, complete answer to the essay question, and a general leader questionnaire. All applicants must participate in a personal interview, which will take place in early April.

Information, Rules, and Instructions

1. The scholarship may be used at any accredited vocational school or university, requirement will include successfully completing 12 credits - full-time basis.
2. Payment of scholarship money will be made to the selected recipients after the end of the first semester. A copy of grade transcripts will be needed as a pre-requisite to payment. Please email transcript copies to The Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation Coordinator: ozco4hfoundation@gmail.com as soon as they are available.
3. If a suitable candidate is not selected, the committee reserves the right to withhold the scholarship for another time.
4. The scholarship committee will base their selection upon:
 - 4-H participation and accomplishments (60%)
 - School, church and community involvement (10%)
 - Essay – on selected topic (10%)
 - Personal interview (20%)
 - Letter of recommendation

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5. Your application, resume and cover letter must be mailed to the scholarship committee, **postmarked by March 1st**, along with the completed essay and letter of recommendation from the following:

- One teacher, advisor, guidance counselor or high school principal, local community leader, clergy person, employer, other

Also include:

- One general leader reflection form
- Official high school or college/tech school grade transcripts
 - a. Provide a self-addressed, stamped envelope for each recommendation when requesting. **Applicant should not open the returned recommendations.**

6. The General Leader Reflection Form should be given to your 4-H general leader with adequate time (minimum of 2 weeks) for that person to return the form to you in a sealed envelope. **Do not open the envelope**; just include it in your submission packet.

7. The 4-H Foundation Board of Directors shall be ultimately responsible for all decisions, selections and interpretations related to the scholarship program.

8. No materials, including the General Leader Reflection Form should be sent to the 4-H office. As noted above, all materials must be sent to:

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General Information

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Parent's or Guardian's names: _____

4-H Club: _____

High school attended: _____

Counselor Name/Phone: _____

High School address: _____

Permission for the Foundation to share your essay with the local newspaper: Yes ___ No ___

What is your future field of study?

How has 4-H impacted your future field of study?

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Essay

(10-point score scale) Please complete an original essay on the following topic. The essay **must be typed**. An additional page may be added, if required, but essay should not exceed 500 words, and should be double-spaced.

Explain how 4-H has helped you become a better leader and citizen, how 4-H has increased your interest and participation in community affairs, and what you have learned from your involvement and efforts.

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4-H Club General Leader Scholarship Reflection

A 4-H member from your club has applied for an Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation scholarship. We need your honest opinion about this member's participation and leadership in the local community, 4-H club, county and state 4-H program. We only desire your opinion about 4-H base related activities and events. If you are a relative of the member, please ask another non-relative leader to complete this form. Thank you!

4-H Member Name: _____

Using a 7-point scale, please rank this member for:

	Very low		Moderate			Very High	
Club participation last 3 years	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Club participation past year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Leadership in club	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Eagerness to serve	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Role model in club	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Participation in County events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Leadership in County events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Participation in State events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Leadership in State events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

By _____ (name)

of _____ 4-H Club

Comments:

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Personal Interview

Please **be dressed appropriately** for this interview and **be prepared to give a 5-minute talk about yourself, your involvement in 4-H and your community**. Questions will be asked of you after your introductory talk.

Checklist:

1. This completed and printed application, including essay response.
2. Your resume and cover letter.
3. One letter of recommendation (should be in a sealed envelope not opened by the applicant).
 - One teacher, advisor, guidance counselor, or high school principal, local community leader, clergy person, employer, other
4. Official transcript of high school or college/tech school grades.
5. General Leader Scholarship Reflection form completed and returned (should be in a sealed envelope not opened by the applicant).

Send completed packet to:
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Scholarship Application Deadline: Postmarked by March 1st

The committee is unable to accept late or incomplete applications.